

Minute of the Annual General Meeting Meeting of Muirhouse Housing Association on 22 September 2016 held at the Muirhouse Millennium Centre.

The meeting Started at 6.10pm

Ref. Item Action

CHAIR'S OPENING REMARKS

Bob McDougall, Chair, opened the meeting and welcomed everybody. He introduced the table – Chief Executive Stevie McAvoy, Finance & Corporate Services Manager Barry Allan and Audit Jim Gourlay from Alexander Sloan.

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Graeme Wilson, Malcolm Warrack and Ann McDonald.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTE OF MEETING ON 28 SEPTEMBER 2015

The minute was approved as a true record. Proposed by Roy Douglas, seconded by John Davidson.

Approved

3. MATTERS ARISING

No matters were raised.

4. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

Bob McDougall spoke about his first year as Chair of MHA and the many changes the Association had undergone. He noted that the Special Manager and the Appointees on the Board of Management had been removed again and the Interim CEO replaced by a permanent Chief Executive.

He thanked the Appointees and Jo Voisey who had supported the Board of Management through the time of high engagement with the Scottish Housing Regulator.

Bob further thanked the staff and Board for their efforts to see MHA through a difficult time and for building great relationships with the tenants.

Looking to the future Bob spoke about the hope to be moved down to medium engagement at the next review and the desire to build houses for the community in the future.

Bob asked that the new Chief Executive, Stevie McAvoy, should say a few words.

Stevie spoke about his first 6 months in post and getting to know Muirhouse and its residents. He spoke about his vision to make Muirhouse a vibrant area to live in, hoping to offer more than just houses, but also quality of life and activities. To achieve this, Stevie noted that he was keen to hear from the community and get their opinions on what will make Muirhouse a better place to live.

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Stevie finished by talking about his hope to build houses in the future. MHA has the resources, so now we just need the opportunity.

5. **FINANCE REPORT 1 APRIL 2015 – 31 MARCH 2016**

Barry Allan spoke to the finance report assuring the meeting that MHA has healthy finances and are in line with the new accounting regulations.

Barry went on to speak about how we spend the rent income as showed by a graph in the annual report. Barry noted that next year investment will account for a larger portion as we are planning to invest in our stock.

6. **AUDITOR'S REPORT**

Jim Gourlay from Alexander Sloan introduced the Auditor's report talking about the new standards for accounting recently implemented. He confirmed that the accounts have been checked to the new standard and thanked the staff team for their co-operation.

7. APPOINTMENT OF AUDITOR

The Chair proposed to reappoint Alexander Sloan as Auditors and this was approved.

8. **ELECTION OF BOARD MEMBERS**

Stevie advised that the Board is currently made up 9 Board Members and 2 Co-optees. The two Co-optees, Laura Calder and Helen Armour are both standing for election to become Board Members.

Stevie advised that in accordance with paragraph 39.1 of the Rules 3 current Board Members have stood down and are standing for re-election. As per the rotational principal these are Alison Blezard, Roy Douglas and Martin Thoronka.

A further 4 people have been nominated to stand for election to fill the remaining 4 vacancies, Julie Smith, Hakima Lazrak, Vicki Redpath and Eileen Carr.

A short biography of the individuals standing for election had been handed out to all attendants prior to the meeting.

As no further nominations had been received, the total number of 15 Board members would not be exceeded and everybody standing were automatically elected to the Board.

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9. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

To be confirmed.

The meeting closed at 6.50pm.