

Minute of the Annual General Meeting Meeting of Muirhouse Housing Association on 15 September 2017 held at the North Edinburgh Arts Centre.

The meeting Started at 17.10

Ref.	Item	Action
	<p>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 Allison Devine from Alexander Sloan.</p>	
1.	<p>APOLOGIES Apologies were received from Ewan Duff, Graeme Wilson, Steven Prevost, Stephanie Harper, Tam Diamond, and Ann McDonald.</p>	
2.	<p>APPROVAL OF MINUTE OF MEETING ON 22 SEPTEMBER 2016 The minute was approved as a true record. Proposed by Roy Martin Thoronka, seconded by Roy Douglas.</p>	Approved
3.	<p>MATTERS ARISING No matters were raised.</p>	
4.	<p>CHAIR'S REPORT Bob noted that it had been a special year for MHA, celebrating our 25th anniversary and being back in low engagement status with the Scottish Housing Regulator. He suggested that it is now time to look forward for MHA towards new opportunities for bring positive change to the community. Bob gave thanks to the Board Members who had left during the year and special mention to Alison Blezard who had sadly passed away in June.</p> <p>Bob then handed over to Stevie who spoke about how positive a day it had been, celebrating MHA's anniversary, receiving the award for "Investors in People" accreditation and the ambitions for the future ensuring MHA remains a key figure in the community and continue to contribute to Muirhouse being an area of choice for people to live in. Stevie thanked everybody who had taken part in the making of the anniversary movie, and encourage tenants to join our Tenants Improvement Group.</p>	
5.	<p>FINANCE REPORT 1 APRIL 2016 – 31 MARCH 2017 Barry Allan spoke to the finance report assuring the meeting that MHA has healthy finances and are in line with the new accounting regulations. The figures for the year report that MHA is in a healthy financial state with a surplus of £712,656 and an increase in reserves of £4.7m.</p> <p>Barry noted that we invest in property improvements and in the year to March, MHA spent £152,499 on new kitchens and boilers.</p>	

6. **AUDITOR'S REPORT**

Allison Devine from Alexander Sloan introduced the Auditor's report. She confirmed that the accounts have been checked to the new standard and thanked the staff team for their co-operation.

7. **APPOINTMENT OF AUDITOR**

Bob advised that a tender exercise had taken place over the summer and proposed the appointment of RSM as the new External Auditor for MHA. This was approved.

Approved

8. **ELECTION OF BOARD MEMBERS**

Stevie advised that in line with the Rules 3 Board Members are standing for re-election to honour the principle of rotation. These were Bob McDougall, Laura Calder and Helen Armour.

A short biography of the individuals standing for election had been handed out to all attendants prior to the meeting. The new candidates for election were Karen Allum, Alasdair Fraser and Iain Strachan.

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.

Approved

9. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

24 September 2018.

The meeting closed at 17.30.