

NORTH BERWICK HARBOUR TRUST ASSOCIATION

Registered Charity N° SC045318

Chairman: Gerry Hughes

Secretary: Bill Roberts

Treasurer: David Fortune

AGM – Minutes

Monday 23 March 2015 at 7.30pm

Council Chambers, North Berwick

Present:

Gerry Hughes Chair
Bruce Todd
Stewart Auld

Jane McMinn
David Fortune
Isabel Anderson
Bill Roberts (Minutes)

1. Apologies

GH welcomed all to the meeting.
Apologies noted from Susan Hopkin, Donald Wright

2. Minutes of Previous Meeting –

Approved by SA and seconded by JMCM

3. Annual Report from Chairman

The Chairman's Report was circulated before the meeting and presented by GH. It is attached at the end of these minutes.

4. Retirements and Appointments

S Pearson has not responded to requests to confirm his continuing membership as has been deemed to have retired.

BR will send a formal note of thanks.

5. Accounts

DF presented the accounts for the preceding year. They are in a format prescribed by OSCAR (Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator) and will be used going forward.

The Association will try to recover the cost of legal assistance incurred in achieving charitable status.

Project funding will be added to the account. The Association has already agreed to assign £40k plus 20% of annual income to the account.

When funds are received from ELC they will be transferred to the deposit account.

DF will prepare a budget for next year.

The accounts were proposed by BT and seconded by JMCC.

6. Election of Officers

Bill Roberts reported that the following nominations had been received:-

Chairman	Gerry Hughes
Treasurer	David Fortune
Secretary	Bill Roberts
Officer	Bruce Todd
Officer	Jane McMinn

There were no other nominations therefore the above Office Bearers were elected unopposed.

7. AOCB

Changes to the Constitution are needed to reflect the lease.

Signed



Bill Roberts

Secretary

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CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

This year has been one of some highs and lows.

The lows being the difficulties in making progress with ELC in relation to the Minute of Agreement , the Harbour Empowerment order and the completion of some outstanding works.

The highs being the Viridor award affording us the finance to allow building of the much needed Esplanade sea defence wall and the major redesigning and reliability of Galloway's Pier.

Going forward we are close to agreeing a lease for the Harbour Area with ELC which will completely change the dynamics of our role and will require all Members of our Association to take an active role in achieving our ambitions.

Gerry Hughes, Chairman

