

Minute of North of Scotland Regional Network 1
Meeting held on Friday, 21st August 2020 at 11.00 a.m.
via Zoom

Present:

Leonora Montgomery	Secretary/Treasurer (Chaired Meeting)	LHM
Steve Byrne	Committee Member	SB
Colin Stewart	Committee Member	CS
Alasdair Mackenzie	Committee Member	AM
Gerald Low	Committee Member	GL
Ruth Fraser	Committee Member	RF

In attendance:

Susan McLellan	Scottish Government	SM

Apologies:/Absent:

Bill Chapman	Chair	Absent
Patricia Millar	Committee Member	Apologies
Cameron Grant	Vice Chair	Absent
Derek Wilkie	Committee Member	Absent
Tom O'Brien	Committee Member	Absent

Item		Action
1.	<p><u>Welcome, Apologies and Declarations of Interest</u></p> <p>All were welcomed to the Meeting and Apologies were given as stated.</p> <p>Declarations of Interest – CS gave his for being on the SHR Board.</p>	<p>LHM</p> <p>CS</p>
2.	<p><u>Minute of Meeting held on 21st February 2020, Note of Meeting held on 21st May 2020 and Minute of Meeting held on 26th June 2020 and Matters Arising</u></p> <p>These were proposed by CS and seconded by AM as an accurate record of the Meetings.</p>	

	<p><u>Matters Arising –</u></p> <p>None.</p>											
<p>3.</p>	<p><u>Treasurer’s Report</u></p> <p>LHM advised the following -</p> <table data-bbox="311 465 1220 649"> <tr> <td></td> <td style="text-align: right;">£</td> </tr> <tr> <td>June 2020 - Bank Account Opening Balance</td> <td style="text-align: right;">1,664.26 Cr</td> </tr> <tr> <td> Deposits for the Month</td> <td style="text-align: right;">0.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td> Less Expenditure for the Month</td> <td style="text-align: right;">13.20</td> </tr> <tr> <td> Leaving a Balance of</td> <td style="text-align: right;"><u>1,651.04 Cr</u></td> </tr> </table> <p>July 2020 - No Expenditure so Balance remains the same.</p> <p>There being No Expenditure from Petty Cash in June 2020 and July 2020 the Balance remains at £ <u>32.05 Cr</u></p>		£	June 2020 - Bank Account Opening Balance	1,664.26 Cr	Deposits for the Month	0.00	Less Expenditure for the Month	13.20	Leaving a Balance of	<u>1,651.04 Cr</u>	<p>LHM</p>
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<p>4.</p>	<p><u>Business Matters</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Age, Home and Community Group Report – SB advised that he had heard nothing from them regarding when/if virtual Meetings would be commencing. SB is however in contact with them regarding all communication being available in large print. This is an ongoing issue with many organisations, including the Scottish Government, so SM advised to keep going with this until the message is received. • Website Update – Since our last Meeting, CS advised that he had a Meeting with SM, CW and Members of Civic (the team setting up the Website) which was very encouraging and was followed up with a telephone conversation last week between CS and a member of Civic to finalise remaining issues. It seems to be all systems go for 2-3 weeks time so all have their fingers crossed! • SHR Liaison Group Update – LHM advised that she had a conversation with Bruce Cuthbertson who is now Co-ordinator of this Group, requesting confirmation of the 4 Members for Region 1. As these at present are CG/LHM/RF we require one further name. After discussion this was agreed by all present to be AM so LHM will forward these details after the Meeting. • SHR Consultation Response – LHM advised that she had received no contributions to this from Members of Region 1 so attended the Meeting to complete this two weeks ago with her own answers and this went very well. Follow up Meeting with SHR to discuss this Response was held last week a few days before the due date. • Chairs and Secretaries Update – LHM asked SM if any progress had been made regarding Zoom Meetings and was advised that they were awaiting the other Region Meetings in the next week or two before setting these up. • SHD Update – LHM advised that she had been very disappointed with the response she received from the Regions to her request for ‘blogs’ only receiving 7 in total. However, CIH are quite pleased and have already published a few on their July update with more in the August 	<p>SB</p> <p>CS</p> <p>LHM</p> <p>LHM</p> <p>SM</p>										

	<p>update. LHM requested that they include a request on the Website for further contributions from Tenants, which they have done and also encouraged all to have a look at this.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Modifying Local Connection Consultation (due by 23/10/20) – LHM advised she had received an email regarding this and asked SM if the Regional Networks would be completing this. SM advised, as did all present, that they had not received this so LHM emailed it to all during the Meeting and this will be discussed at our next Meeting. GL stated that he did not receive a hard copy of the SHR Consultation so could not contribute and asked for a copy of this to be forwarded to him. SM advised that as they were working from home they had, like LHM, only their personal printer which is unable to print large documents but will look into this to see who can do this on their behalf. 	<p>LHM</p> <p>LHM</p> <p>SM</p>
<p>5.</p>	<p>A.O.C.B.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SM advised that she would be attending a Meeting later in the afternoon with selected Regional Network Members to discuss the Scottish Governments Extension of Evictions during Covid19 and asked for our comments. CS shared document on screen as majority present had not seen it. Much discussion followed and majority were not in favour of the extension for Anti-Social Behaviour and that this should revert to 28 days. All felt that Evictions for Arrears have a huge impact so should be given individual merit to ascertain if this has occurred due to the Covid19 situation or if there is a history of Arrears. • LHM stated that PM had asked her to mention that Angus City Council has not contacted their Tenants to advise what is happening, i.e. open or not open, contact telephone numbers, etc. TP has not contacted their groups either. SM noted this and will look into it as majority of LandlordS have been keeping in touch with their Tenants. • CS asked if SM would be hosting the Zoom Meetings from now on as they now had the facility. SM asked that CS continue to do this as he had a better understanding of it. • Situation of CG not giving apologies or contacting SM/LHM and them being unable to contact him was raised and SM stated that she would try and contact him by telephone later in the day. 	<p>SM</p> <p>SM</p> <p>CS</p> <p>SM</p>
<p>6.</p>	<p>Date, Time and Venue of Next Meeting –</p> <p>Friday, 2nd October 2020 at 11.00 a.m. via Zoom.</p>	<p>ALL</p>