

**Minute of North of Scotland Regional Network 1**  
**Meeting held on Friday, 30<sup>th</sup> April 2021 at 10.00 a.m.**  
**via Zoom**

**Present:**

Leonora Montgomery	Secretary Treasurer	<b>LHM</b>
	(Chaired Meeting)	
Steve Byrne	Committee Member	<b>SB</b>
Colin Stewart	Committee Member	<b>CS</b>
Gerald Low	Committee Member	<b>GL</b>
Derek Wilkie	Committee Member (From 10.26)	<b>DW</b>

**In attendance:**

Susan McLellan	Scottish Government	<b>SM</b>

**Apologies:/Absent:**

Cameron Grant	Vice Chair	<b>Apologies</b>
Alasdair Mackenzie	Committee Member	<b>Apologies</b>
Tom O'Brien	Committee Member	<b>Apologies</b>

<b>Item</b>		<b>Action</b>
<b>1.</b>	<b><u>Welcome, Apologies and Declarations of Interest</u></b>  LHM welcomed all to the Meeting and Apologies were given as stated.  Declarations of Interest – CS gave his for being on the SHR Board.	<b>LHM</b>  <b>CS</b>
<b>2.</b>	<b><u>Minute of Meeting held on 5<sup>th</sup> March 2021 and Matters Arising</u></b>  This was proposed by GL and seconded by CS as an accurate record of the Meeting.	

	<p><b><u>Matters Arising –</u></b></p> <p>CS advised that he had received a complaint from a Resident of Aberdeen City Council for the Minutes not being up to date on the Website and that the initials of PM were quoted in Matters Arising and not her full name, i.e. Patricia Millar, as she was not recorded under Attendees or Apologies.</p>	<p>CS/ LHM</p>
3.	<p><b><u>Treasurer’s Report</u></b></p> <p>LHM advised that as there had been no expenditure during March or April 2021 the Bank Account Balance remains at £1,651.40 Cr and Petty Cash Balance at £24.25 Cr.</p> <p>LHM also advised that the Year End Accounts had been finalised.</p>	<p>LHM</p>
4.	<p><b><u>Business Matters</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Age, Home and Community Group Report</b> – SB advised that there still had been no Meeting. SM to contact the Chair of the Group to see what is happening.</li> <li>• <b>Website Update</b> – CS advised that he had a Meeting 3 weeks ago re the subscription service and gallery and thought it was working until he tried it to find that it is not working correctly. LHM stated that she would highlight the Website to TPO’s when she sends out the approved Minute of this Meeting.</li> <li>• <b>Chairs and Secretaries Group Update</b> – LHM advised that the Meeting was on the 4<sup>th</sup> May 2021 and the Observers this time would be CS and DW.</li> <li>• <b>SHR Liaison Group Update</b> – LHM advised that the Meeting with the SHR was on the 11<sup>th</sup> May 2021 but the Pre-Meeting had taken place on the 27<sup>th</sup> April 2021 and she had requested all for their Landlord/ Area updates by the 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2021 to enable her to forward them to Kelda prior to the Meeting. We were advised that two new Board Members were being sought by the SHR to replace Anne Jarvie and Mike Dailly as their term of office had ended. We also learned that the second review of the Charter would begin in June/July 2021.</li> <li>• <b>Communications Group Report</b> – SB advised that the Newsletter would not be produced until after all the AGM’s had taken place and that LHM would be writing the article on the SHR Liaison Group instead of CG.</li> <li>• <b>Rent Focus Group Report</b> – CS advised that the next Meeting was on 7<sup>th</sup> May 2021 when the SFHA’s documents on rents will be available and the remit of the Group will be set up then. GL stated that he was unaware of this Group as he had not been notified and would liked to have been on it. SM apologised for this oversight and stated that she will speak to Lesley Baird to see if GL can be added.</li> <li>• <b>HRA Group Report</b> – GL reported that the Group have had two Meetings so far, one for assessment of the areas and the second for questions for the Meeting with Audit Scotland. Lots of good points raised in these. All had agreed that there was a problem with the terminology contained in the Guidance which the Group will look at and</li> </ul>	<p>SB/ SM</p> <p>CS</p> <p>LHM</p> <p>LHM</p> <p>LHM</p> <p>LHM</p> <p>LHM</p> <p>SM</p>

	<p>at the next Meeting they will also look at the way forward.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Draft Heating in Buildings Strategy Consultation Report</b> – LHM advised that she had attended the first Meeting of this but had to leave after 2 hours for another Meeting and they had only reached number 33 of the 70 Questions. Another Meeting was arranged which LHM was unable to attend but a response on behalf of the Networks was given by Graeme from TPAS. The consensus of opinion was that it was far too long and many of the questions were very technical.</li> </ul>	<p><b>GL/DW</b></p> <p><b>LHM</b></p>
5.	<p><b><u>A.O.C.B.</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>AGM</b> – All had received invites and were asked to return their Booking Forms. LHM will be Chairing this and will liaise with SM and TPAS on the Agenda.</li> <li>• <b>Proposed Constitution Changes</b> – Lengthy discussion followed on this, at the end of which it was agreed that only one suggestion would be taken forward – the one regarding the insertion of the 3 year term for Committee Members.</li> <li>• <b>Social Security Group</b> – CS asked if this would be started up again. SM advised that this was the case and an email will be sent to all Regions asking for volunteers to be on this. CS and GL requested to be the Representatives for Region 1.</li> </ul>	<p><b>LHM/SM</b></p> <p><b>SM</b></p> <p><b>CS</b></p>
6.	<p><b>Date and Time of Next Meeting –</b></p> <p><b>AGM – Saturday, 15<sup>th</sup> May 2021 at 11.00 a.m. via Zoom.</b></p> <p><b>Committee Meeting – Friday 9<sup>th</sup> July 2021 at 10.00 a.m. via Zoom.</b></p> <p>LHM asked if there should be another Meeting before the 9<sup>th</sup> July 2021 and after discussion, all agreed that one to Elect Office Bearers and to give AGM feedback should be added and this is therefore –</p> <p><b>Friday, 21<sup>st</sup> May 2021 at 10.00 a.m. via Zoom</b></p>	<p><b>ALL</b></p>