

The Southside Association

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Tuesday 1 May 2018, at 7pm

Annual General Meeting

Minutes

PRESENT: Colin Christison (Chair), Jan Fraser, Moira Gibson, Bob Hodgart, May Linton, Hilary McDowell, Philip McDowell, Kenny McLeod, Ethel Murray, Ola Uduku, and Maggie Peatfield; and Cllr Steve Burgess.

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

Colin Christison welcomed everyone to the 46th annual general meeting. Apologies for absence were received from Maggie Bagan, Tom Bonallo, Cllr Alison Dickie, Dora and Nino Lola-Luz, Carol McHugh, Jo Scott, and Colin Symes.

2. Minutes of Annual General Meeting held on 2 May 2017

Approved; proposed by Moira Gibson and seconded by Ethel Murray.

3. Annual Reports (tabled)

Colin Christison (Chair) gave his report ([see separate document](#)). Hilary McDowell (Treasurer) said that as the year-end had been the day before (30 April) the annual accounts were still in draft form, and they would be presented at the June 2018 meeting.

Colin then vacated the Chair and invited Councillor Burgess to chair the next part of the meeting.

4. Election of Office Bearers and Committee

Councillor Burgess thanked the Association for another successful year, and acknowledged Colin Christison's work as Chair and Secretary. He was pleased to note that funding had been secured, and a planning application had been lodged, to provide for two further murals. The Gifford Park murals had lifted the area, and helped give it a new identity; and he congratulated the group, in particular Hilary McDowell, for her diligence in pursuing environmental issues.

He then read out the list of nominations –

Chair	Colin Christison
Vice-Chair	Josephine Scott
Secretary	Colin Christison
Treasurer	Hilary McDowell
Minutes Secretary	Colin Christison
Membership & Mailing List Secretary	Jan Fraser

Four members to serve on the Management Committee with the above:

Margaret Bagan
May Linton
Dora Lola-Luz
Carol McHugh

Web-master – Philip McDowell.

The above nominations were proposed and agreed.

5. Election of Auditor

It was proposed and agreed to retain the services of Helen Bourquin as Auditor.

The newly re-elected Chair resumed his post and presided over the rest of the meeting.

6. Any other business

Rising costs such as room hire and public liability insurance meant that funds were dwindling. It was proposed and agreed that the annual membership fee should be raised to £10.00.

The meeting closed at 7.20pm.