

## SCOTTISH COUNCIL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

**Minutes of meetings  
on Saturday 11 March at 11.30am to 12.00pm  
and on Sunday 12 March 1.25pm to 2.00pm**

### **PRE SCOTTISH COUNCIL**

#### **15/17 ATTENDANCE**

##### **SCEC**

Alison Mitchell – convener	Siggi Skulason
Andy Malby - vice convener	Douglas Tullis
Alistair Cant - hon treasurer	Catherine Watt
John Andrews	Catriona Webster
Liz Lawie	

##### **Staff**

Brendan Paddy, interim director for Scotland  
Des Garrahan, chair of board of trustees  
Vanessa Griffiths, chief executive  
Faye Henderson, areas and governance administrator

#### **16/17 WELCOME AND APOLOGIES**

Alison Mitchell welcomed everyone to the meeting and introductions were made to the new chief executive, Vanessa Griffiths. Apologies were received from Vic Royce and it was noted that Vic would not be standing for re-election.

The sad death of Dennis Canavan's daughter was noted and it was agreed Alison Mitchell would make note of this during Scottish council. Alison had also arranged for a condolence letter to be sent on behalf of SCEC.

#### **17/17 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**

There were no declarations of interest.

#### **18/17 ARRANGEMENTS FOR SCOTTISH COUNCIL**

SCEC ran through the agenda for Scottish council. The following points were highlighted:

1. Microphones had been tested
2. An induction loop is available for those who require
3. There will be a press release and announcements on social media regarding Ben Dolphin's appointment as president once he has been formally elected
4. Arrangements for the speed workshops
5. Andy Malby will thank Will Copestake after his talk in the evening
6. The updated Order Paper and Motions is available on green paper
7. It was agreed that Alison Mitchell will ask Brendan Paddy to speak in support of the motion regarding axing ranger services

8. It was noted that for constitutional motions and motions of urgency that a two third majority is required
9. A seating plan is available for the evening dinner

## **19/17 ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

Brendan Paddy thanked SCEC and staff for everything they have contributed towards Scottish council. Brendan also thanked those who had completed the equalities survey.

Alison Mitchell notes that Siggi Skulason would not be standing for re-election due to work commitments and thanked him for his contribution to SCEC over the past year.

Close of meeting.

## **POST SCOTTISH COUNCIL**

### **20/17 ATTENDANCE**

#### **SCEC**

Alison Mitchell - convener

Andy Malby - vice convener

Alistair Cant - hon treasurer

John Andrews

Trevor Jones

Liz Lawie

Douglas Tullis

Catherine Watt

Catriona Webster

#### **Staff**

Brendan Paddy, interim director for Scotland

Des Garrahan, chair of board of trustees

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### **21/17 APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from Vanessa Griffiths, chief executive.

### **22/17 WELCOME TO NEW COMMITTEE**

Alison Mitchell, convener, thanked everyone for a successful Scottish council and welcomed new committee member Trevor Jones. Alison Mitchell noted that there were three potential co-optee candidates who had made themselves known over the weekend. It was noted that they were to be sent a co-option application form as soon as possible for the search sub group to make a decision.

It was agreed that Faye Henderson will send out the skills capture form for members to update as necessary and new members to complete.

**AP1** – Faye Henderson to send co-option applications to three candidates

**AP2** – Faye Henderson to send skills capture form to SCEC members to update as necessary

## **23/17 SIGNATORIES TO BANK ACCOUNTS**

Alistair Cant noted there are no changes necessary regarding signatories to bank accounts.

## **24/17 GRATUITY**

It was agreed that no gratuity should be arranged.

## **25/17 SCOTTISH COUNCIL 2018**

It was agreed that Scottish Council 2018 should take place at some point over 9<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup> March and Jeannie Cranfield to start looking into options once the evaluation forms from 2017 had been analysed.

**AP3** – Jeannie Cranfield to analyse Scottish council evaluation forms and look at possibilities for 2018

## **26/17 PROVISIONAL DATES FOR SCEC MEETINGS 2017**

SCEC were asked to save the following dates for potential meeting dates:

- Wednesday 29 March
- Tuesday 13 June
- Tuesday 15 August
- Monday 11 September/Tuesday 19 September
- Monday 13 November

It was noted that all of these dates might not be necessary and a decision will be made on this during the meeting in March. Faye Henderson is to look into venues for the year.

**AP4** – Discuss SCEC meeting dates at March meeting

**AP5** – Faye Henderson to look into venues for SCEC meetings

## **27/17 BOARD OF TRUSTEES WEEKEND AWAY**

Alison Mitchell noted that the board of trustees are holding a weekend away in Edinburgh on 19<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> May. Over these days there will be a dinner, lunch and walk where SCEC can come and meet the board of trustees and were therefore asked to save this date in their diaries.

**AP6** – Brendan Paddy and Faye Henderson to liaise with Hazel Robinson regarding the details of the board of trustee away day.

## **28/17 CONTACT DETAILS**

Faye Henderson asked for the contact details of Trevor Jones and updates from other SCEC members.

**29/17 CODE OF CONDUCT**

Faye Henderson handed out code of conduct forms and asked for these to be completed and returned to her.

**30/17 BIOGRAPHY DETAILS FOR WEBSITE**

Faye Henderson asked for a biography and photo of Trevor Jones to upload onto the Ramblers Scotland website. Faye Henderson also asked SCEC members to let her know if they wanted to make any changes to their profile.

**31/17 SCEC NOMINEE FOR AGENDA COMMITTEE**

Douglas Tullis was unanimously voted to be the SCEC representative of the agenda committee for the next year.

**32/17 AOB**

It was agreed that Faye Henderson give SCEC wiki access to Trevor Jones and send him the February SCEC minute.

Close of meeting.

SIGNED: Alison Mitchell  
Alison Mitchell  
Ramblers Scotland Convener

DATE: 29 March 2017