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SCOTTISH COUNCIL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
Minutes of meetings held on Saturday, 3rd March 2012
at Glenearn Community Campus, Perth.

Pre Scottish Council 0900 – 0945
Post Scottish Council 1600 – 1630

PRE SCOTTISH COUNCIL

18/12 ATTENDANCE

Dick Balharry – President	Anne MacDonald
Dennis Canavan – Convener	Elizabeth Lawie
David Thomson – Vice Convener	Alison Mitchell
Alistair Cant – Hon Treasurer	Brian McGillivray
Jim Lawson	

Board of Trustees

Rodney Whittaker – Chair	Jonathan Kipling - Treasurer
Denis McAteer - Ramblers Cymru Chair	

Staff

Dave Morris – Director Scotland
Kareen Robertson – Communications & Finance Officer
Benedict Southworth – Ramblers Chief Executive

19/12 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from John Andrews and Hilary Graham

20/12 ARRANGEMENTS FOR SCOTTISH COUNCIL

SCEC approved the arrangements for Scottish Council. The following points were highlighted:

- (a) A table should be reserved for Shona Robison MSP plus SCEC officers and others at lunch time.
- (b) Motions: SCEC noted the order paper (SC 07) and recommended support of Motion 1 submitted by Badenoch & Strathspey Group and Motion 2 submitted by North Strathclyde Area. The committee agreed that their view on each motion would be announced after the proposer and seconder of the motion had spoken. In addition they agreed that Rodney Whittaker (Ramblers Chair) should make a short statement, before the vote was taken, outlining the Board's decision to suspend the GB 10 year vision exercise.

- (c) Mike Gray, observer for Stirling & Falkirk Group is the person appointed to receive SCEC and Agenda Committee nomination papers at SC.
- (d) Date and venue for Scottish Council 2013 is to be discussed at the post SC meeting at 4.30.
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POST SCOTTISH COUNCIL

21/12 ATTENDANCE

Dick Balharry – President	Anne MacDonald
David Thomson – Convener	Elizabeth Lawie
Jim Lawson - Vice Convener	Alison Mitchell
Alistair Cant – Hon Treasurer	Brian McGillivray
Ben Douglas	

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22/12 APOLOGIES

There were no apologies

23/12 WELCOME TO NEW COMMITTEE

DT welcomed everyone to the new Scottish Council Executive Committee for the year 2012-13.

24/12 MATTERS ARISING FROM SCOTTISH COUNCIL

- (a) AC said he was happy to liaise with Barry Pottle regarding the motion submitted by North Strathclyde Area.
- (b) SC 2013 SCEC discussed whether next year's Scottish Council should be one day or two days. Over the last 3 years SC had been cut to one day due to a cost cutting exercise. The committee agreed that the venue should be Glasgow and KR is to investigate possible venues for 1 or 2 days.
- (c) SCEC Correspondence SCEC noted that Hilary Graham had not put herself forward for this year's committee and agreed that a letter should be sent on behalf of SCEC thanking her for her valuable work to the committee over the last 7 years. They also agreed that a letter should be sent to John Andrews welcoming him to the new committee.
- (d) Cheque signatory changes It was agreed that Dennis Canavan should be removed from the signatory authority for cheques and David Thomson added.

- (e) SCEC Meeting Dates. Dates for the next SCEC meeting were agreed as follows:
Thursday 10th May, Tues, 4th September and Tuesday, 13th November
SCEC will discuss an additional meeting date, possibly in June, at their next meeting in May. Jonathan Kipling had indicated that he would like to attend the first SCEC meeting in May and RS office is to e-mail him with the dates and venue.

AP 1 – KR prepare letters for Hilary Graham and John Andrews

AP2 - AC to liaise with Barry Pottle regarding motion submitted by North Strathclyde Area

AP3 – AC Amend signatories on cheque – Dennis Canavan to be taken off and David Thomson to be added

AP 4 – KR e-mail Jonathan Kipling with dates and venue for next SCEC meetings 2012.

SIGNED: David Thomson DATE: 14 May 2012
David Thomson, Convener

