

# Royal Burgh of St Andrews Community Council

## Annual General Meeting Agenda – May 2014

The AGM will be held at 7pm Monday 12<sup>th</sup> May in the Burgh Chambers of the Town Hall, Queen's Gardens. It will be followed by the regular monthly meeting of the community council.

### 1. Apologies for Absence

### 2. Minutes of the 2013 AGM

### 3. Chair's Report

### 4. Treasurer's Report

Accounts have been emailed and a couple of hard copies may be available on the night

### 5. Dates of Meetings 2014-2015

The dates for these meetings will follow the normal system of 1<sup>st</sup> Monday in the month except when there is a public holiday or the CC agrees to have a break as it has done during August when many members may be on holiday.

### 6. Any Other Competent Business

#### 6.1. Recreation Committee Annual Report – see Appendix 1

### 7. Election of Officers

Candidates to be proposed, and seconded at the meeting. If there is a contest the candidate or a supporter may speak briefly. A paper ballot is taken. Ties will be broken by a suitably random method.

#### 7.1. Chair

#### 7.2. Vice-Chair(s)

#### 7.3. Convenor

#### 7.4. Treasurer

#### 7.5. Secretary

## APPENDIX 1: Recreation Committee Annual Report - May 12<sup>th</sup> 2014

The Recreation Committee had an eventful 2013 and it is worth recollecting the following events that took place. The winter months tend to be a “quiet” period for our committee members. However early in the year a meeting was held in advance of our Spring Coffee Morning held on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> May. Thanks to the help of committee members and a few councillors on the actual day, this proved to be a successful and fairly well attended event.

During the summer months another community event was established. Ronnie Murphy kindly organised a “Grand Putting Challenge” in early June. We hope this will prove to be a popular annual event for members and townsfolk alike. **This will be highlighted at our meeting and AGM on the 12<sup>th</sup> May 2014.**

The next item to record was our annual, local garden competition. The judging took place at the end of July/first week in August. A press release and posters had invited citizens to enter their garden or nominate a garden that inspired them. The Awards Reception for the successful winners took place on September 17<sup>th</sup>. This took place in the Town hall supper room instead of the Burgh Chambers. In this venue, we could accommodate a larger number of guests and also access the kitchen area for catering. An interesting addition to the evening was a display of St Andrews In Bloom's presentation boards. These were used when the judges of “Beautiful Fife” and “Beautiful Scotland” visited at the end of July. Also on display were the trophies and framed certificates won by St Andrews In Bloom. It was a very enjoyable evening and very well attended. Suffice to say with Gold Awards having been won in both competitions, St Andrews is Scotland's representative for “Britain In Bloom” 2014. We wish their team of dedicated and enthusiastic, volunteer gardeners every success in this national competition.

Summer also highlighted our Bandstand Concerts, ably organised by our Chair, Kyffin Roberts. These ran from the last Sunday in July through to the end of August. The concerts were extremely entertaining and proved to be popular with visitors and townsfolk alike.

Following our summer events, we held an autumn Coffee Morning on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> October, once again in the Town Hall supper room. Much to my delight as convenor, this drew in a bigger crowd than usual.

On 29<sup>th</sup> November our annual Civic Reception took place in the Hunter Aisle of Holy Trinity Church. As is customary, invitations went out to individuals and organisations who contribute to the life of our St Andrews community. This is a very sociable event and in 2013 we had an even larger number of guests who attended.

Our final event of the year was our Senior Citizens Christmas Treat held on 13<sup>th</sup> December. This took place in the main venue of the Town Hall. Many of our guests came from sheltered housing complexes, care home and nursing homes in St Andrews. As usual, it was well attended and is an extremely popular event with those in their senior years. We were extremely grateful to several Madras College pupils who came along to help. They are invaluable in serving the food, drink and socialising with the elderly guests.

Bringing this report up to date, we held our first Coffee Morning of 2014 on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> April in our usual venue. Despite the unsightly scaffolding surrounding the Town hall, we managed to have a good number of guests attending. Once again I am most grateful to all the councillors who gave up their time to help on the day. Sincere thanks to those who donated raffle prizes, baked goodies and handed in other items for sale.

Finally I would like to place on record my sincere thanks to Carol Ashworth who sadly, has recently resigned from the Community Council. Her catering skills for all the above mentioned events has been “par excellence”. As a friend and colleague, her help and organisational skills have been invaluable and enabled our catering at functions to run smoothly and stand out from the crowd. I am delighted that she has offered her services to the committee, voluntarily, until the final event on our calendar year. This will be our Senior Citizens Christmas Treat to be held on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December.

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