

Regional Networks AGM
Meeting held on Saturday 3 June 2023
at 11.00 a.m. via Zoom

Present:

Chair – Colin Stewart

Colin Stewart	CS	R1	Chair	Aberdeen City
Liz Richardson	LR	R1	Committee Member	Highlands
Kath Fennell	KF	R1	Committee Member	Orkney Islands
Jackie Budgen	JB	R1	Nominee	Highlands
Bill Campbell	BCa	R2	Chair	Fife
Irina Lazarenko	IL	R2	Vice Chair	City of Edinburgh
Gordon Saunders	GS	R2	Co-optee	Scottish Borders
Anne Cameron	ACa	R3	Chair	South Ayrshire
Bruce Cuthbertson	BCu	R3	Vice Chair	East Ayrshire
Norma Ferguson	NF	R3	Secretary	North Ayrshire
Margaret Dymond	MD	R3	Treasurer	Renfrewshire
Shona Gorman	SG	R4	Chair	Falkirk
John Duffy	JD	R4	Secretary	North Lanarkshire
Frances McGonagle	FMcG	R4	Treasurer	West Dunbartonshire
Jeanette Arneil	JAr	R4	Committee Member	South Lanarkshire
June Todd	JT	R4	Nominee	West Dunbartonshire
Lindsay Anderson	LA	R4	Committee Member	

In attendance:

Carolynne Watson	CW		Scottish Government	
Anne Cook	ACo		Scottish Government	
Elaine Scoular	ESc		TPAS	
Tony Kelly	TK		TPAS	
Lesley Baird	LB		TPAS	
Suzy Boardman	SB		TPAS	
Melanie Potamitou	MP		TIS	
Sharon Donahue	SD		TIS	
Illene Campbell	IC		TIS	
Dominic	D		?	

Apologies / Absent:

Linda Lennie	LL	R1	Committee Member	Apologies
Eric Spence	ESp	R1	Co-optee	Apologies

Alan Dalby	AD	R2	Committee Member	Apologies
Isabella Vint	IV	R2	Committee Member	Apologies
June Anderson	JAn	R4	Committee Member	Apologies
Donna Murray	DM	R4	Nominee	Apologies
William Derrick	WD	R4	Nominee	Absent



	MAIN ROOM ITEMS	ACTION
1	<p>Welcome, Apologies and Declarations of interest</p> <p>CS welcomed everyone to the first combined Regional Network AGM meeting.</p> <p>Under Declarations of Interest, CS noted his role as a Board member of the Scottish Housing Regulator.</p> <p>A one-minute silence was held in honour of Steve Byrne who passed away earlier this year.</p>	
2	<p>Chairs Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> CS presented the Chair's report, setting out information on the work and the achievements of the committee since the last AGM was held in May 2022. Despite the ongoing challenges of the past year, the Regional Network committees and working groups have continued to meet on a virtual basis, and in fact, as a result of virtual meetings and digital engagement, have managed to meet and interact more frequently than in the past. The committee have contributed to a wide range of work over the past year and have continued to represent the views of tenants and residents effectively, working alongside Scottish Government officials and Ministers on a variety of issues. A great deal has been achieved over the past year, and CS thanked the committee members for their hard work and dedication. Copies of the Chair's report can be made available on request to the Scottish Government's Tenant Priorities team. There were no questions on the Chair's report. CS discussed the proposed changes to the Constitution and explained for each of the changes why this was being considered. BC asked about an account being kept open if there was no money in it or only the £10. CS confirmed that BoS do not close accounts if there is any money left in it. However, Region 3 account is with Royal Bank of Scotland so this has to be checked but feel assured that the account will remain open. 	
	BREAKOUT ROOMS	
3	See Individual Regional Minutes	
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<p>4</p>	<p>Matters arising after Breakout Rooms from each region</p> <p>Committee Members for each region</p> <p>Region 1 Committee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Colin Stewart • Liz Richardson • Linda Lennie • Kath Fennel • Eric Spence • Jackie Bugden <p>Region 2 Committee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bill Campbell • Isabella Vint • Irina Lazarenki • Gordon Saunders • Alan Dalby <p>Region 3 Committee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Anne Cameron • Bruce Cuthbertson • Norma Ferguson • Margaret Dymond <p>Region 4 Committee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shona Gorman • Jeanette Arneill • John Duffy • Frances McGonagle • June Anderson • Donna Murray • June Todd • William Derrick <p>Changes to the Constitution</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The changes to the constitution proposed have been accepted by all committee members on all regions. 	
<p>5</p>	<p>Closing Remarks</p> <p>CS welcomed the new members onto the committee, and thanked everyone for their attendance today.</p> <p>CS thanked the staff from TPAS and TIS as well as CW, SG TP team for their time and support.</p>	

<p>6</p>	<p>Results from Closed session to elect Office Bearers</p> <p>Region 1 Chair – Colin Stewart Vice-Chair – Liz Richardson</p> <p>Region 2 Meeting to take place on Tuesday 6th July at 2:30pm to elect the office bearers</p> <p>Region 3 Chair – Anne Cameron Vice-Chair – Bruce Cuthbertson</p> <p>Region 4 Meeting to take place on Tuesday 6th July at 10am to elect the office bearers</p>	
<p>7</p>	<p>PRIVATE SESSION</p> <p>There was a concern from R3 that only the Chairs were meeting and that there was a requirement to have regular meetings with Chairs & Vice-Chairs.</p> <p>CS suggested that the Chairs meetings should be minuted or at least noted but previously C&S's met only once every three months but CS didn't think it was worth going back to that as that negated the whole reason for moving to combined meetings. The Chairs have been meeting to keep RN going, to organise the AGM and the F2F, everything discussed was brought to all committee members.</p> <p>This can be discussed further at the next meeting.</p>	