



THE MURRAYFIELD DEMENTIA PROJECT

Scottish Charity Number SC023210

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**The Murrayfield Club- a safe, stimulating, supportive, fun place for older members
of our community.**

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MINUTES of the ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of THE MURRAYFIELD CLUB

Murrayfield Dementia Project, Charity SC023210

Held at SURC on Tuesday 21st June 2016 at 7.00pm.

Convenor's Opening Remarks

Convenor, The Rev'd Canon Dean Fostekew opened the meeting with prayer and welcomed Members of the Management Committee, Staff, Volunteers, Carers and members of the three churches. 27 people were present.

Apologies

Apologies were received from Isobel Mackenzie, Sandi Marshall, Eilidh Waugh, Corstorphine Dementia Project, Lynn Murray, Jack Simpson and Pat Gordon

Minutes

Minutes of the AGM held on 16th June 2015 included in the Annual Report Brochure. Acceptance proposed by Hazel Pryde, seconded by Agnes Spence.

Report from Convenor

Full report in brochure. This has been a year of transition and the building upon existing good practice. We have seen changes in the Trustee Board and in the recent months a change in our staff team. The Trustees continue to manage the grant from the council and for the establishment of a dedicated Outreach Worker focused on the club, funded by the Edinburgh and Lothian's Health Foundation (ELHF) guaranteed until the end of 2017. Our vision is to provide a high quality day care for the Frail Elderly and those living with Dementia in the North West of Edinburgh. We also aim to support the carers of our members with appropriate help and advice and this would not be possible without the support of our dedicated staff and volunteers and to all of you I say "Thank you".

We have had a few Trustee changes as detailed in the report and I would like to record my thanks to The Rev'd Sue Kirkbride who accepted a call to be the minister at Peedie Church in Orkney. We acknowledge the great debt we owe to Sue and Mark for all their support, knowledge, guidance and friendship they have given to the club.

We also said goodbye to Andrea Sharpe our staffing convenor who gave of her time and skills in managing and marketing. We wish Andrea well in her new job and we will continue to build upon the areas of good practice she initiated.

We have recently appointed a Project Co-ordinator and welcome Lesley Webster to hold that position and look forward to her working with the club.

Financial Report and Adoption of Accounts

A copy of the unsigned accounts for 2015/16 included in the brochure. The Trustees had already approved the final accounts and a signed copy was tabled for anyone wishing to view the Audited Accounts for 2015/16.

The accounts show changes due to the Outreach Project Fund from Edinburgh & Lothian Health Foundation (ELHF) of £4,000 (5 payments) at 6 monthly payments. Any money not spent could be reclaimed by ELHF.

Restricted Fund of £4,028 is for the Outreach Worker Project.

Edinburgh Council changed payment of the grant from monthly to quarterly and other major changes in the project was the employment of the Chef from Murrayfield Parish Church to the Chef being employed and catering being taken over by the Club. With the drop in catering expenditure and the Outreach Worker grant, resulting in a large surplus, the Outreach surplus will be spent in the next quarter.

Funding for this year 2016/17 is assured. Next year 2017/2018 will be determined by the council budget.

Adoption of Accounts Proposed by Martha Dickson, Seconded by Gavin Watson.

Report from Senior Support Staff.

Report included in brochure. Eleanor Watson, Senior Support Worker, thanked the staff and volunteers for their support and input into the themed weekly activities.

Music stimulation was playing a greater part in activities and has shown to be a way of communicating with members who otherwise show no interaction.

Liz Potter, Outreach Worker gave a short resume of her work and how she follows up referrals and spends a great deal of time getting to know her clients likes and dislikes, she supports the member in various tasks such as shopping, doctor and dental appointments and how a large number are socially isolated. Not every referral to the club is comfortable joining a group of people and Liz is able to fill the gap and hopefully encourage people and allay their fears.

Election of Trustees and Office Bearers.

Re election of Office Bearers: Convenor, The Rev'd Canon Dean JB Fostekew, Church of the Good Shepherd. Secretary, May Lindsay, Murrayfield Parish Church and John Gibb Treasurer, Murrayfield Parish Church Proposed by Martha Dickson, Seconded by Hazel Pryde.

Re-election of Trustees: Proposed by Liz Smith, Seconded by Pat Tait.

New Trustee: Lizzie Dell, Church of the Good Shepherd, Proposed by Agnes Spence, Seconded by Pat Tait.

A donation of £318.30 was received from Hayes and District Scottish Association, Middlesex. This was through one of our former volunteers Bridget Platt, who took up Scottish Country Dancing when residing in Edinburgh, enjoyed the experience so much she continued dancing with this group when she returned south and recommended our group as their main supporting charity.

Dean closed the business part of the meeting with prayer.

Guests were then invited to join in our Midsummer Fling and partake of a buffet supper and wine with a musical interlude by our very talented Lizzie Dell who took us on a journey of memories and music in song, laughter and humour. Greatly enjoyed by all present.

