

## **Carsphairn Heritage Group**

### **Annual General Meeting**

#### **Venue - Lagwyne Hall on Saturday 19 November 2016 at 1400**

Present - Chair - Anna Campbell. Treasurer - Ruth Williams,  
Secretary - Anne Talman

Jean Gibbon, Margaret Richmond, David Gibbon, Stuart Rhodes, Christine Rhodes, Sue Wiseman, Jean Murray, Agnes Marshall, Juliet Dixon, Alison Broadley, Jane Metcalf, Karen hall, Martin Temple, Anne Rutherford, David Richmond, Jim McNae, Joyce Hunter Blair, Arnold Duggleby, A Solway, J McFall, John Watson, Jackie Locke, Sheila Hay.

Apologies - Elizabeth Affleck

#### 1. Welcome

Anna Campbell as Chair, opened the meeting with a welcome to all who were in attendance, commenting on the good number.

Last year's AGM minute of which everyone had a copy, was accepted without being read.

#### 2. Treasurer's Report - as per attached copy.

Although postage cost was up, discussion on why drew no conclusions, our finances are in a healthy state. David Gribben observed that, in such a situation, we perhaps should not be accepting a grant. It was explained by the Chair and Treasurer why we should continue to do so however, applying every 6 months. It was noted from the floor by Jean Gribben, that our website costs were up £2 monthly.

The report was proposed by Joyce Hunter Blair and seconded by Jane Metcalf.

#### 3. Chair's report as attached copy, was given.

In addition Anna thanked the 27 stewards who had performed their duties this year at the Exhibition, stressing that taking regular slots made filling the rota so much easier.

Mr David Watson was singled out for special praise on account of his supply of strawberry tarts for the steward on duty when he visited!

Anna mentioned the popularity of our centre with cyclists this past year, whether doing top to tail trips (John o' Groats to Lands End) or the Tour of Britain which most recently travelled the A713 from Ayrshire to Castle Douglas.

#### 4. Election of Committee

Sheila Hay was due to retire by rotation but has agreed to stay on. This was accepted unanimously.

Dr David Bartholomew volunteered and was warmly accepted to the committee, There being no other nominations from the floor at this time the matter was rested.

#### 5. AOCB

Anna thanked those who were involved in the Steward's Lunch which had preceded the AGM at 1230 and invited them and our guests to remain for a talk on the finding of the Galloway Hoard by Dr David Bartholomew, which was to follow.

Anne Talman gave a brief resume of the changes made to the newsletter since she took over the it's editorship this year. Stressing again the importance of noting down local stories and reminiscences, she also asked for more pictures. Now that colour has been introduced and better paper to print them on, we have much more scope for such submissions. The possibility of a new design for the cover was also mentioned, but feedback from the members is the most pressing need she now feels.

A display of newsletters from the early typed days and examples of articles which could be revisited and updated was available during the lunch and AGM and talk afterwards.

The formal part of the meeting closed with thanks to the Chair at just after 1430.

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There followed, a most interesting, illustrated talk by the Minister, Dr David Bartholomew on his part in the finding and interpreting of the Galloway Hoard, a hugely significant collection of mainly Viking artifacts, while metal "detectoring".

After refreshments - festive fare, tea and coffee - the group disbanded around 5pm. It was a most successful day, if rather tiring!

Prepared by M Anne Talman