

Held in The Royal Hotel, Blairgowrie at 5.45pm

ATTENDANCE Anna Bowman (AB) Steve Johnson (SJ) Hazel Harris (HH) Simon McCaig (SM)	President Sec Vice President Treasurer	Angus Forbes (AF) George Gall (GG)	
APOLOGIES Lesley McDonald (LM)	Stephen Page (SP)	Kate Walker (KW)	
Item 1 – Welcome			
1.1 The meeting was held in the Royal Hotel Conference Room.			
Item 2 – Apologies:			
2.1 Apologies had been received as above.			
Item 3 – Minutes of the last Meeting.			
3.1 These were accepted – proposed by AF, seconded by AB.			
Item 4 – Matters Arising			
4.1 Activity Calendar 2016 – The following activities were identified:			
17 February – Committee Mtg			
16 March – Speed Networking & AGM			
20 April – Committee Mtg			
18 May – Branding & Marketing (Les Johnson TBC) GG to invite			GG
15 June – Committee Mtg			
July – Summer holiday so no meeting?			
17 August – Committee Mtg			
21 September – Employment Law & Health & Safety – SM to arrange			SM
19 October – Committee Mtg			
16 November – Committee Mtg			
December – Xmas Buffet?			
4.2 Constitution: under review for AGM. Please review for approval at AGM.			All
4.3 Bank Account – SJ and AB filled in new forms, hope to have access soon.			SM, SJ, AB
4.4 STV Advert – no further payments received.			
The following had yet to pay:			
Calutek (Steve)			SJ
Fresh Idea Direct Ltd (Steve)			SJ
James McIntyre & Sons (Anna)			AB
Learmonth Wealth Management (Simon)			SM
NSC Outdoor Adventures (Steve)			SJ
The Two Bells (Simon)			SM
Work Basket (Simon)			SM
SCYD (Steve)			SJ

<p>There was discussion on whether to try and do another advert – this was agreed in principle and AB agreed to ask businesses when she went around to canvas businesses on the Christmas activities and leaflet.</p> <p>4.5 AF now has Admin rights to the Facebook page.</p> <p>4.6 The latest membership list was displayed – 32 members including Stagecoach as they had agreed to sponsor the Hub Magazine. SJ to provide latest copy of list to SM. Copy attached to minutes. Once payments up to date, BARBA needed to transfer the money owed to One Voice.</p>	<p>SJ, SM</p>
<p>5. AOCB:</p> <p>5.1 The option of a Gift Card for Blairgowrie similar to the Perth Gift Card was dismissed due to the amount of effort and/or admin required.</p> <p>5.2 Steve reminded everyone that some members used to offer discount to BARBA members so please consider for future.</p> <p>5.3 A Walk Leaflet Group had formed from the forum meeting with an aim to produce a 2 sided map for the town similar to one in existence that was deemed unsuitable. One side would have the town centre on it and the other the whole town and wider. Printing costs would be met by local businesses taking adverts with profits going back into the town. BARBA was asked whether it would support the initiative and encourage businesses to support. There was discussion on how the map would be distributed and who it was for. Those present did not feel they would pay to be included but felt it may be good for those who already pay to be on the existing one if this one is better. They felt however, it would not be appropriate to ask businesses about supporting this as well as another STV advert.</p>	<p>Info All</p>
<p>Item 6 – Date of Next Meeting</p> <p>The next Business Association committee meeting will be held on Wednesday 17th February in The CATERAN Cafe.</p>	<p>All</p>

Distribution (email unless specified):

B&RBA Committee Members:

Anna Bowman (President)
Hazel Harris (Vice President)
Simon McCaig (Treasurer)
Steve Johnson (Secretary)
Kate Walker (Member)
Stephen Page (Member)
Angus Forbes (Member)
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George Gall (Member)

Local Councillors:

Mr B Ellis
Mrs E Grant
Mrs C Shiers
Businesses listed on the Discover
Blairgowrie website and those present for
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