

Annual General Meeting

19 October 2020, 8pm

Venue: Google Meets

Present: A total of 40 paid-up members attended the call

Summary

We held our AGM on Monday 19th October 2020, at 8pm.

It was our first AGM held virtually, and 40 members attended.

John Foody as rotating chair introduced the evening, welcoming members.

Reports were received from committee members in respect of Communications, Tidy Districts and Environment, Events and Activities, Planning, and Finance. (Reports can be found on the website.)

The minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting (which are available online) were formally adopted.

The accounts were formally adopted, showing a healthy bank balance, and the annual subscription was fixed at 20 euro per annum.

The Committee was re-elected enblock, in recognition of the excellent work being carried out in the community.

In closing the meeting, the Chair thanked the committee on behalf of all the members, thanked all those attending, and asked that any members who wished to get involved in one or more activities or subgroups to contact the Committee at roebuckresidents@gmail.com.

a) Communications

Úna O Shea maintains the website and sends out emails on behalf of the committee. She also directs incoming emails to the committee members. This year there has been dominated by the Covid Response with a volunteer network set up. A total of 28 emails were sent out during the year.

b) Environment and Tidy districts

Anne Egan delivered the report on Environment which covers build environment including drainage, paths, roads etc. Unfortunately there were no tidy districts or tidy towns competitions this year but work by the team continued where it was safe. The main focuses this year were continued consultation with the council on the green space in front

of the shops. Thanks to all the planters, grass cutters, weeders and painters that help to keep it in such good condition. Work has started on Friarsland Green where a significant amount of over growth was removed and new planting put in place. The council will install a plinth for a bench in the next week. Thanks to everyone who tends to their own area. Any help is always appreciated.

c) Events

Stan McHugh delivered the report on events held during the year Coffee Morning, Christmas event virtual book club, swap shop and Easter decoration competition. Coffee morning for the Hospice unfortunately could not take place this morning due to restrictions however a total of €1,035 was donated to the hospice.

d) Planning

Liz Quinn gave the following updates in relation to work carried out during the year

- Supported local resident Michael Redmond in his undertaking of a Judicial Review relating to the SHD development planned for the OLG site
- Highlighted the successful outcome of the Judicial Review, and the issues around this zoning type, with all DLR councillors
- Submitted an observation regarding the planning application for the new schools in the IGB site
- Held a meeting with the new principal of the secondary school that will be located in the IGB site
- Submitted a document to DLR's Active School Travel Initiative to support OLG's Primary school's attempt to get pedestrian routes to the school improved.
- Submitted a document outlining the Association's views regarding the development of the Central Mental Hospital site to the Land Development Agency.
- Held a meeting with the LDA regarding our submission. We outlined our hopes for the site, and highlighted possible issues for the area.

e) Finance

Seán Neville reported on the accounts for the year. Thanks for Peter Carr for feedback on same. Slight reduction in membership this year membership is now available to pay online via Stripe. There were a number of grants received bringing the bank balance to €14.5k at the end of the year.

Election of Committee and Officers (Chairperson, Secretary and Treasurer)

All members of the committee have agreed to stay on the committee Stan McHugh, Úna O Shea, John Foody, Liz Whelan Seán Neville (Treasurer) and Susan Kennedy (Secretary) John Mullins and Anne Collins. We would also be delighted to welcome new committee or subcommittee members. Please get in contact if you have any ideas.

Subscriptions for 2019/2020

Subscriptions for the year were to be maintained at €20 per household.

Any Other Business

With no further issues the meeting was closed at 8.35pm. The next AGM will be held in October 2021 in line with the constitution of the Association