

FARG
Fife Amphibian & Reptile Group
MINUTES OF THIRD AGM Tuesday 29th March 2011 at 1900hrs
At The Cycle Tavern, Auchtermuchty

1. WELCOME

Bob Weston welcomed everyone to the 3rd AGM of FARG. Appended to these minutes is a list of attendees. There were 12 present.

2. APOLOGIES

There were apologies from Andy Baillie, Angela Forrester and Ruaidhri Forrester.

3. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE SECOND AGM HELD ON 19th FEB 2010

Minutes of the second AGM had been distributed with the notice of the meeting and copies were available. No matters arose from the minutes and approval of the minutes was proposed by David Bell and seconded by Jennifer Davidson. The minutes were approved.

4. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

Bob presented his report and it was approved. A copy of the report is appended.

5. PRESENTATION OF TREASURER'S REPORT

Kate Morison presented the accounts to the meeting making copies of the accounts available. A copy of the accounts is appended. Kate explained that the expenditure of £329.00 to Noblecastle related to the ABN site to be discussed later on during the AGM.

6. MOTION TO AMEND THE FARG CONSTITUTION TO ENABLE APPLICATION TO ENTRUST TO PROCEED

Bob explained the reason for advancing the motion as amending the constitution would enable FARG to apply for funding from a greater variety of sources including landfill tax. It was acknowledged that the notice required for an alteration to the constitution, contained in article 12 of the constitution, had been given. Lynda Oxley proposed the motion, it was seconded by Jenny Morison and approved by the required proportion of those present at the meeting. A signed copy of the constitution would be available for ENTRUST.

7. MOTION FOR ENTERING INTO A PARTNERSHIP RE DEMONSTRATION SITE

It was explained that the partnership was to be with ABN for a demonstration site. Draft terms of agreement and a partnership agreement may both be needed and would be drafted in the future if required. Kate Morison proposed the motion and it was seconded by David Lynch and approved by the meeting.

8. RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE ACCOUNTS FOR PERIOD 2ND FEB 2010 TO 31ST MAR 2011

Jennifer Davidson proposed approval of the accounts and Bob Weston seconded her proposal and the accounts were approved by the meeting.

9. RESIGNATIONS FROM AND APPOINTMENTS TO THE COMMITTEE

No nominations had been received for any of the office bearing roles in FARG, therefore each of the office bearing roles was dealt with during the meeting as follows:

- (a) Chairperson – Bob Weston, was proposed by Graeme Walla, seconded by Lynda Oxley and approved by the meeting

(b) Treasurer – Kate Morison was proposed by Jennifer Davidson, seconded by Bob Weston and approved by the meeting

(c) Secretary – David Bell, was proposed by Lynda Oxley, seconded by Jennifer Davidson and approved by the meeting

(d) Recording Officer – Jennifer Davidson, was proposed by David Bell, seconded by Kate Morison and approved by the meeting

(e) Membership Secretary – Jennifer Davidson, was proposed by Kate Morison, seconded by Bob Weston and approved by the meeting

(f) West Fife Representative (Joint) – Lynda Oxley and Daniel Lynch, was proposed by Graeme Walla, seconded by Bob Weston and approved by the meeting

(g) East Fife Representative – Graeme Walla, was proposed by Lynda Oxley, seconded by Lee Thomson and approved by the meeting

10. AOCB

There were no other matters for the AGM to consider. However a committee meeting took place at the conclusion of the AGM.

11. VOTE OF THANKS

Bob thanked everyone for attending the AGM and wished FARG another successful year.

LIST OF ATTENDEES AT AGM ON 29TH MARCH 2011

Bob Weston
Kate Morison
David Bell
Jennifer Davidson
Lynda Oxley
Kirsten McCallum
David Lynch
Simon Mitchell
Graeme Walla
Ian Lewis
Jenny Morison
Lee Thomson

**CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT AS PRESENTED AT 3rd AGM ON
29TH MARCH 2011**

Fife Amphibian and Reptile Group.

Chairs report: March 2011

As we move into our 3rd year as a group, the interest in FARG is still on the increase. and although the core group members are busy with their day to day tasks many projects are still being generated and worked on.

Over the past year we have attended many open days and events, we have still been able to collect records and data from FARG members and from the general public.

Thanks to the persistence of Dave Bell we now have a limited access onto a well established Reptile site at Moss Moran (also thanks to NCB for allowing this to happen).

Thanks also to Jennifer for organising a (well attended) two day training session for the group and other interested parties in Amphibian and Reptile recognition. This was to link into the NARRS request for 1km square surveyors for 2011.

Thanks also go to Karen Sneddon for keeping the Web site up to date and running smoothly.

Looking forward to the coming year, The ABN project should be coming on line after the initial paperwork hold up, there will also be a number of events attended by FARG members and hopefully a 10-12 month long project, which will involve the surveying of many sites throughout Fife. All in All 2011 should be a busy and interesting year for all associated with FARG

Finally I would like to thank all who are and have been involved with FARG over the past three years, for making it what it is, a **'Success'**, whether it was species recording, or project support and suggestions, attending events held, hunting for creatures in the dead of night!! Or tramping over heather and heath in the depths of winter to inspect abandoned dumpers!!

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ACCOUNTS FOR THE PERIOD 2ND FEBRUARY 2010 TO 31ST MARCH 2011

BROUGHT FORWARD		£ 1,419.12
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FOR YEAR		
	£ 1.26	
	£ 0.21	£ 1.05
FOR YEAR		£ 22.09
		£ 1,468.26

03.02.10
31.03.10
14.4.10
15.6.10
06.10.10

29.3.10
29.3.10

10006 CEMENT	£	50.07
10008 AGM FOOD	£	8.32
10007 FERGUS GILL	£	5.00
10009 ENTRUST REGISTRAR	£	100.00
10010 NOBLECASTLE	£	329.00
CASH IN HAND	£	48.09
BALANCE AT BANK	£	882.78
	£	1,468.26