

Meeting: Board Meeting

Date and Time: Tuesday 20th May @ 6.00pm

Venue: Cardenden Office/Virtual

IN ATTENDANCE

Nick Clark (NC) – Present
Colin McInnes (CM) – Present
Dave Roberts (DR) – Present
Tommy Braid (TB) – Present
Maryjane Elder (ME) – Present (Minutes)

PRESENT

John Flynn (JF) – Present (Chair) Andrew McDaniel (AM) – Present (Vice Chair)

Tom Dougan (TD) - Present Laura Miller (LM) - Present Amanda Hay (AH) - Virtual Bill Banks (BB) - Present Tam Allan (TA) - Present Shanana Beattie - Present

1. Welcome & Apologies for Absence

None. CR did not attend

2. Declaration of Interest in any Agenda

None

3. Approval of Urgent Business Items for Consideration under A.O.C.B

None for approval

4. Approval of Minutes from the previous Board Meeting (18/03/25)

Agreed by all Board

5. Matters Arising

None

6. Health & Safety (Verbal)

H&S Policy Statement – reminder to sign form if not already done so H&S Board Responsibilities – reminder to sign form if not already done so

H&S Comm meeting to be held at the end of June and any issues reported back

For Approval

7. Annual Return on the Charter – ARC (Verbal)

SHN carried out a validation on our draft ARC data. A few minor changes are required before we will submit to the Board for approval. Once approved we shall submit on the SHR portal, submission date by 31st May 2025

The Board noted the verbal update

8. RBS Loan

Progressing with the conclusion of the new RBS loan.

Agreeing the amendments to the facility agreement are progressing with TC Young with final copies being provided for necessary sign off by the Board.

6 different schedules will be required to be signed by the Board.

JF and AMcD agreed to sign the papers

We may need to come back to the Board at the June meeting if a formal meeting is required as a virtual meeting may not be accepted.

Board noted this report and approved the Loan

9. Five Year Financial Projections (FYFP)

Required to submit our forecast to the Regulator for the next 5 years which need to be approved by the Board and submitted by 31/05/25.

FYFP is looking positive

Forecast looks good although need to closely monitor cashflow

Net Zero is the unknown at present and what this will cost – a short discussion was held on this as we await clarity on targets, measurement metrics and funding options.

The Board approved the FYFP for submission to SHR

10. Loan Portfolio Return

SB joined the meeting

DR summarised the papers

The Board approved the Loan Portfolio Return for submission to SHR

11. Q4 Management Accounts

DR summarised the papers including: Void maintenance costs were higher than budgeted Reactive Repairs were higher than budgeted Salaries were lower than budget

The Board approved the Q4 management accounts

Manager Reports

12. CEO Report

NC summarised his report

Our consultants ReHeat have completed the feasibility study for our district heating project. We hosted a stakeholder presentation on the 14th of April and made a presentation to the Cardenden Community Development Forum. We are now exploring options for funding a full technical feasibility and financial appraisal.

The Board noted content of this report

13. Housing Manager Report

CM gave a summary on the paper

The Terms of Reference for the FHR Management Group have been agreed with the objectives being to complete a review and re-evaluation of the Common Assessment of Need; and seek potential agreement on a Common Allocation Policy and Lettings Plan framework for Fife with recommendations to be brought forward for review and implementation

We will engage with councillors make sure they have our prospective on this proposal – NC to progress

Ore Valley HA have agreed to review our allocation quotas to include a minimum of 2 x lets per year for care experienced young people who are working with the Fife House Project.

The Board agreed with the change to the quota and the content of this report

14. | Corporate Support Manager Report

ME gave a summary on the paper

The Board agreed on the content of the paper
The Board agreed to the policies and the content of the paper

15. Finance Director Report

April 2026 – re-start of the pension deficit payments, payments have not yet been agreed

The Board noted the content of the paper

16. Tenant & Property Services Manager Report

TB summarised the paper

Bowhill Miners Institute – Handed over almost a year ago, defect visit took place and a pleasant outcome as there are very few issues.

Flooded property at 4 Whitehall Crescent - quote requested from Hatrick Bruce to allow services to be run to the property

BB – do we have a policy on MTR when vacant. TB -Appraisal done and if there will be a high spend on upgrading the property we would look to sell it

The Board noted the content of the paper

For Noting

17. Information Papers

N/A

18. Any Other Competent Business

N/A

18. Date of Next Meeting(s)

- Board Meeting 17th June 2025
- FARM Meeting 5th August 2025
- Subsidiary Board Meeting 14th August 2025

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