

STRAIDE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GROUP

Minutes AGM 9th August 2023

Attendance:

Eamonn McNicholas	Kate O'Hara	Mary McHugh	Keith McGreal
Geraldine Maloney	Michael Maloney	Michael McNicholas	Nora Roache
Frances Regan	Celia Graebner		

Apologies:

Geraldine Hynes	Helen Bourke	Rosa Meehan
Myra Deacy Keenan	Jane Mulroy	Shauna McDonnell
Carol Redding (available online)		

Opening – Kate O'Hara

Meeting opened and welcomed those in attendance to our SCDG 2023 AGM. Confirmation that the AGM had been advertised via social media platforms, whatsapp groups, church bulletin and word of mouth.

Chairman's Report – Eamonn McNicholas

See attached Chairman's Report to the AGM which was read out to the Meeting.

Secretary's Report – Kate O'Hara

The 2022 AGM Minutes were read out to the Meeting. The 2022 AGM Minutes were approved/seconded with three Committee Members signing a copy of the Minutes for our files.

See attached Secretary's Report to the AGM which was read out to the Meeting.

Copies of two other documents were presented to the meeting:

- 1) Straide Community Hall Income and Expenditure for 2022 (-€2,945.82)
- 2) 2021 – 2026 Straide Action Plan (20 Actions) and Straide Biodiversity Plan (21 Actions)

Treasurer's / SMO Report – on behalf of Carol Redding

Carol Redding provided the Financial Reports to the AGM.

- 1) Profit and Loss Detail – January to December 2022 (Net Income: -€564.23)
- 2) Financial Statement for the period 5th February 2022 to 4th February 2023 (Net Income: €2,271.18)

See both Reports 1 and 2 attached.

Motion to Approve	Proposed: Name	Seconded: Name
AGM Minutes 2022	Eamonn McNicholas	Mary McHugh
Secretary's Report	Geraldine Maloney	Keith McGreal
Treasurer's Profit & Loss Account (Jan-Dec 2022)	Eamonn McNicholas	Kate O'Hara
File Financial Statement (Feb 22-Feb 23)	Mary McHugh	Geraldine Maloney
File Annual Tax Return 2022	Michael Maloney	Keith McGreal

The Financial Statement will be filed with the Companies Registration Office and the Annual Tax Return will be submitted to ROS by Carol Redding following the above approvals made at this evenings meeting.

PRO Report – Keith McGreal

1,500 Facebook Followers. 300 on Instagram

Facebook reach of 25,000. 27% Male/73% Female. Age profile: 35-44 years / 45-54 years categories. 103 new followers. 22 Unfollowed.

Straide Santa Stopover had the largest level of engagement followed by “personal” posts on individuals achievements in the Community.

New Website needs further promotion and development to encourage further engagement.

Consider setting up a TikTok account to engage younger people in the Community

Continue to use Church Bulletin

Look at installing a Hall Notice/Information Board to communicate and to advertise activities and events.

Straide Womens Group Report – Frances Regan

A Report (copy attached) outlining the origin and background of the formation of Straide Womens Group (a sub-group of SCDG) together with an overview of their activities to date and future plans was read out to the Meeting. SCDG thanked the Womens Group for all their work in and for the Community and wished to acknowledge the support and assistance they have offered to SCDG in so many positive ways.

Nominations and Election of Committee August 2023 – August 2024:

Officer	Nominee	Approved/Seconded
Chair	Eamonn McNicholas	Mary McHugh / Frances Regan
Vice Chair	Keith McGreal	Geraldine Maloney / Michael McNicholas
Secretary	Kate O’Hara	Keith McGreal / Geraldine Maloney
Vice Secretary	Myra Deacy Keenan	Kate O’Hara / Keith McGreal
Treasurer	Geraldine Maloney	Mary McHugh / Eamonn McNicholas
Vice Treasurer	Mary McHugh	Kate O’Hara / Michael Maloney
Senior Managing Officer	Carol Redding	Eamonn McNicholas / Kate O’Hara
Public Relations Officer	Keith McGreal	Kate O’Hara / Geraldine Maloney
Vice PRO	Eamonn McNicholas	Mary McHugh / Kate O’Hara
Proposed New Committee Members	Nora Roache Frances Regan	All Committee Members

Motion to Approve	Proposed: Name	Seconded: Name
Nominated Committee Members	Geraldine Maloney	Mary McHugh
Appoint elected Committee Members to the Board of Directors	Eamonn McNicholas	Keith McGreal
Approve SMO to update Company Records consistent with new Committee Members and Board of Directors	Kate O’Hara	Michael McNicholas

Any Other Business:

The Committee wished to again acknowledge Straide Badminton Club – for their ongoing support and significant financial contribution to the Community Hall over the last number of years. They have used the Hall to build up strong Adult and Childrens Badminton Clubs and have consistently reinvested their funds into the Hall building.

Meeting noted that the Community Hall had an income of €18,918.86 and expenses of €21,864.68, so a shortfall of -€2,945.82 for the year 2022 (copy of the detailed report available to the meeting). Energy costs were highlighted as a significant ongoing concern throughout 2023 to date. Hall rental costs will have to be reviewed in light of this ongoing burden.

Community Website: Focus on advertising the website to the wider community to try and improve interaction and engagement. Ensure all AGM Reports are posted on the website. Highlight and acknowledge local business community (who have been very supportive) on site also.

Hall Internet Access. Look for the most cost effective provider and ascertain if it is within our budget to install same which might help increase hall rentals and use.

While it was agreed by committee members present, the existing SCDG Committee cannot take on every action (in Straide Action Plan and Biodiversity Plan) a suggestion was made that the Committee should facilitate Community meetings to garner interest in the various actions e.g. host a childcare meeting, Mens Shed Meeting etc.

Number of people suggested we should hold the AGM in the month of September in future. August is a busy/holiday period and possibly negatively affects attendance at the AGM.

Copies of all Reports outlined in the above Minutes are on file and available for viewing at any time.

Ends.