**ABERDEEN SOCIAL CENTRE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AND JANUARY MONTHLY MEETING)**

**17TH JANUARY 2024**

**Agenda:**

Annual General Meeting

* Financial report
* Organising committee

January Monthly Meeting

* Building issues (rent, keys etc.)
* Membership
* Finances
* Communications (website, social media, mailing list)
* Resources and facilities
* Events & actions
* Training & skill shares
* A.O.B.

**A.G.M. Financial Report**

**Fiona presented the annual accounts.**

**A.G.M. Organising Committee:**

A new Committee was elected: Doug, Andrew, David, Marlow, Kev, Fiona, Vicky, Catra and Eiran  
Dave B and Brian stood down. Former Committee members, Fin and Lee, were not present but are to be contacted.

Catra asked general responsibilities & activities of Organising Group members:

* Radical café
* Book sale/swab
* Annual Freshers Fair
* 2023 Anti-Coronation Party
* Landlord communication,
* day-to-day group activities
* Legal observer training
* grant applications
* help organise protests
* some are keyholders so opening up/closing building

**January Monthly Meeting**

**Building Issues**

Cleaning: instructions + spreadsheet for boiler  
 toilets& bins (location) dishwashing (hot water) cleaning for toilet

Police Policy. What to do if there is a warrant?

     Doug asking SCALP   
     Marlow + Dave to ask at Earth First meeting

**Key holders:**

↳ formalising responsibilities for groups and key holders

↳ send email to A.T.U.C. about more access to keys

**Rent:**

* reformulate proposal to sustainable finances as a rent waiver to A.T.U.C.
* counter proposal: rent is about being viable (for a bigger place)

**Membership**

 Membership rates discussed. Reducing minimum amount? Sliding scale? Spread out over year

 ↳ more admin/ finance office work to keep track of membership

     advertise more & membership forms + print outs at Radical Café

Membership Working Group to be formed to bring forward proposals for future monthly meeting.

Interested: Emma…,

**Finances**

£1120 balance, mostly from Lush funding and memberships

 Funding model:

     few indiv. members  
     affiliation groups (not many paying, paused during pandemic, hard to pick up again, emails send out, but often no response as only goes to delegates)

     donations (few regular ones)

     mostly rent

    rent: £200 a mouth  
    Other things: books, hall hire (Dunbar hall)  
     Service charges (e.g. Zoom account) £100

 more outgoing than incoming

 ↳ rethink funding

* flyers, posters, membership cards?
* crowd funding
* Solidarity actions?

Vicky to help

**Communications**

 Facebook → Marlow to help

 Mailing list issues with signing up/moderation?

 Kev -> Website Bottleneck

 Calendar needs manually updating

 Email signal updates

Suggestion of a social media manager

Communications Membership Working Group to be formed to bring forward proposals for future monthly meeting.

Interested: Andrew, Doug, David, Marlow and Eiran

**Resources and facilities**

Held over to next meeting

**Events & actions**

Held over to next meeting

**Training & skill shares**

Held over to next meeting

**A.O.B.**

**Radical Film Club:**

Movie night- monthly

Signal group chat

Interested: Jeremy, Tara, Esmond, Ewen, Dave, David, Catra, Doug

Take One Action licence suggested

**Newsletter Group:**

 Andrew: few printed copies of pilot  
 Alternative Aberdeen: Investigative journalism, but also positive things

 Distributed via mailing list

  Other media - for coms to pick up

  Editors collective?

  Interested: Fiona, Tara, Catra, Jeremy, Doug [+Myshele?], Esmond, Kev, Izzy, Kev's contacts, Dave B’s contacts

Alternative Aberdeen Project:

↳ Kev + Scott in Krakatoa

↳ get involved