

STONEHAVEN BUSINESS ASSOCIATION / TOURISM GROUP
Minutes of joint meeting (and AGM) held on Monday 26th March 2018
At the Belvedere Hotel, Stonehaven

	ACTION	BY
1	Present: Niall Menzies, Sheila Howarth, Jim Wands, Dawn Black, Malcolm Pope, Lesley Leslie, Kathryn Pope, Jennifer Davidson, Nikki Ritchie, Charles Sands, Frank Budd, Dianna Glennie, Ian Philip, Claire Kelly. Apologies: Simon Cruikshank, Mhari Mitchell, Elma McMenemy, Cheryl Casher, Richard Cormack Corrigan	
2	February minutes approved.	
3	Financial Report: SBA bank balance standing at £10554 (taking down/putting up of last year's Christmas lights still to be paid for, c.£4000)	CS
6	Membership: Current membership stands at 80 (17 still to pay). Potential new member – Stonehaven Paddleboarding (Dave Jacobs, *****746)	
7	Stonehaven Town Partnership: Jim Wands attended last meeting. Discussion re the need to link in with cruise ship visits to offer tours to Stonehaven - SBA/Tourism Group would be best placed to take this on. Potential visit from Dundee cruise ship, July 22nd; JW has already discussed with Wendy Rudd of Open Air Pool (looking to do a ceilidh) but Friends didn't think this would work. An event would require an early start and duration of approx. 1.5hrs – a one-stop 'Scottish' experience, such as a ceilidh. Parking arranged for buses at the rugby ground. 500-600 people will be coming off ships in Aberdeen by 2020-21 and one of the quays is to be named Dunnottar. Needed for July: venue, band, local participants; JD to talk to The Haven as a possible venue and find out about hire of the Upper Town Hall. Reprinting of walking map also discussed; committee needed to make changes/update information.	JW
8	Christmas Lights: see 3 above	
11	Fundraising: CS to apply for funding for reprint of maps.	CS
12	Members event: Possible events - David Fleming talking about the history of St James Church (held at the church), talk by Kathryn Pope? Mid May?	NM
13	Farmers Market: Nothing to report	
14	AOB: Council have put down rocks, seats etc at the sea front but no communication with local groups. Parking of campervans down towards Cowie – Sheila was contacted by Willie Munroe for thoughts on this. Consensus is that we don't want to discourage people from coming but it needs to be managed better, possibly with a charge and a maximum number of nights. Car boot sales start 22nd April (9am-1pm). Seagull nuisance – what is happening? RBS building under offer but no information yet as to	

	purchaser. Acheres visit in May – Phil Mills-Bishop is keen for a business representative to join the delegation.	
15	Next Meeting: Monday 7th May, 7pm at the Belvedere Hotel	

Summary of SBA Annual General Meeting 2018

- **Committee will continue – members to be confirmed**
- **Niall Menzies gave an overview of the SBA’s aims and objectives and activities during the year**
- **Charles Sands gave a financial report for the year**
- **Sheila Howarth gave a presentation on Plastic Roads**