

CHRISTMAS IN QUEENSFERRY

Minutes of Meeting held on Thursday 23 July 2009 At 6.30pm in the Rosebery Hall

Present: Keith Giblett, David Steel, Graham Holmes, Betty Hardie,
Rena Johnston, Alan Potters, Ian Harrower, Sian Brady,
Janis Maclean

Keith distributed a presentation from Blanchere, showing various lighting options for the entire length of the High Street. All present were very impressed. Keith stressed that the lighting is the decision for the community.

Keith also reported that he is in contact with Tom O'Brien of CEC re this year's event. It was agreed that a display of the lighting system should be arranged, to allow the public to air their views. CEC is reviewing their Christmas lighting schemes throughout Edinburgh and Keith is trying to arrange a meeting with Tom to discuss technical issues regarding the lighting, and to ask if the community paid for a lighting system would CEC contribute to this? Keith suggested that Norman Work be present at this proposed meeting. Ian, David and Graham offered to attend the meeting, on the condition it was held in Queensferry. Graham asked that Blanchere give installation costs in preparation of the meeting with CEC.

Ian offered to prepare a funding application to Awards for All. Depending on feedback from CEC, Keith suggests moving along to community consultation. Ian distributed draft letter to public.

Keith thanked everyone for coming along and thanked Ian for staging the last meeting.

Alan informed everyone of an event of Saturday 19 September – a parade of bands along the High Street, followed by a ceilidh in Queensferry Primary. Tickets are £6 and available from Alan or at the Stagshead – tickets must be purchased in advance. Alan stated that a meeting with EPOG will be held regarding the parade. Keith offered assistance with this if necessary.

Alan also offered the services of the band for any funding activities.

Fundraising Events:

Betty and Rena informed everyone of a fundraising event in the Masonic on Friday 13 November. Raffle will be held and they are looking for raffle prizes. Home baking, soup and stoves are on the menu!

David reported that Steve Stewart CLD Worker at Rosebery Hall is willing to host a quiz night at the Rosebery Hall as a fundraiser – date probably a Friday in October.

Date of Next Meeting: Thursday 20 August 2009 at 6.30pm in the Rosebery Hall