

Notice is hereby given that the Forth & Borders Group Annual General Meeting will be held at Botanic Cottage, Royal Botanic Garden Edinburgh, on 28 May 2019 at 6.00pm



Please enter the Botanic Garden via the east or west entrance by 5.45pm (the gates close at 6pm) and make your way to the cottage – see www.rbge.org.uk/media/4531/bcmap.pdf for a map. Alternative disabled access is available via the gate on Inverleith Place, opposite the cottage. Note: we will exit via the gate on Inverleith Place.

AGENDA

1. Introduction and Welcome
2. Apologies
3. Adoption of the minutes of the 37th Annual General Meeting held on 31 May 2018
4. Convener's Report
5. Treasurer's Report

6. Thank you to our Convener: Mario Cariello has been a dedicated convener to our group for the past three years and we are sorry to lose him. We want to thank him for his work for the group, wish him all the best and look forward to welcoming him back in the future.

7. Election of the Committee

Anne Tracy (Secretary), Tom Parnell and Richard Austin were last elected in 2016; they retire by rotation this year and have agreed to stand for re-election. Adam Gillingham has been co-opted onto the Committee and stands for election. The continuing members are Yvonne Hillyard, Jocelyn Cunliffe, Caroline McFarlane and Jilly MacLeod. Short biographies of the committee members can be found on the back of this sheet. If you wish to become more involved in the Forth & Borders Group and be considered for the Committee, or know of someone else who would, please contact the Convener or Treasurer by 25 May 2019, providing a short biography, a proposer, and where necessary the agreement of the person proposed.

8. Any other competent business

The evening will conclude with a tour of the cottage and a talk about its history and how it came to be rebuilt in the Royal Botanic Garden Edinburgh

FORTH & BORDERS GROUP**38th Annual General Meeting****COMMITTEE MEMBERS****STANDING FOR ELECTION**

Adam Gillingham is a recently retired property lawyer. During his legal career, he has developed an interest in Scotland's diverse architectural heritage and the challenges facing those tasked with preserving it for the benefit of current and future generations. He has been a member of AHSS for a number of years and hopes to have the opportunity of taking a more active role.

STANDING FOR RE-ELECTION

Secretary: **Anne Tracy** originally trained as a librarian and is now a semi-retired antique carpet restorer. She has volunteered at the Society for several years and is a member of the National Council.

Tom Parnell studied at the University of Edinburgh, graduating with a degree in Architectural Studies in 2003. After four years at RCAHMS, he was a Heritage Consultant with Simpson & Brown for eight years, latterly as team leader and as an associate. He served on the Forth & Borders Cases Panel from 2004 until 2016, spending the last four years as panel secretary. He joined Historic Environment Scotland in 2016.

Richard Austin is a long-standing member of the Society having, at various stages, been a member of the Forth & Borders Committee and the National Council. Since its incorporation in 2015 Richard has sat on the Board of the Royal High School Preservation Trust.

CONTINUING MEMBERS

Jocelyn Cunliffe is an architect in private practice. A member of the Forth & Borders Cases Panel and longstanding member of the Group Committee, she was convener of the Forth & Borders Group 1999–2011 and an elected member of the National Council 2011–2017 and 2018–present. She is also convener of the AHSS National Conservation Committee.

Yvonne Hillyard gained degrees in Art History and Architectural History at the Universities of Edinburgh and Sussex, and went on to work as a researcher on the 'Buildings of Scotland' series. In 2002 she was appointed a Research Fellow at the University of St Andrews to develop the Dictionary of Scottish Architects project and moved to Historic Environment Scotland in 2007, while continuing to maintain the Dictionary. She retired in March 2017 and has been associated with the society since the mid 1970s.

Jilly MacLeod has spent the last 20 years juggling work as a freelance book editor and occasional author with studying the history of architecture and the decorative arts. In 2013 she gained a masters degree in Art and Architectural History from Birkbeck College, London, and since 2016 has been a member of the Forth & Borders Cases Panel.

Treasurer: **Caroline McFarlane** is a retired solicitor. She has been involved with the Society for many years, and has been a member of the National Council.