



SRC BOARD BRIEFING

May 2017

At a Board Meeting on Saturday 6th May 2017 the following items were discussed and action decided upon. The SRC Board considers that information on these items should be shared with Shareholders, Volunteers, Employees and SRA Members.

Finance & Related Matters

Matters Financial are still tight. Costs associated with setting up the new in-house catering offering impacting and still some settling in with Staff. Overall Staff costs are still too high, notably as an Agency is being used.

AGM (Reconvened)

The reconvened 2016 AGM took place at the Cairngorm Hotel on Saturday the 15th April where the outstanding Statutory Business was concluded in relation to the 2015 Accounts.

Catering

Catering is providing a challenge to identify and retain the right people. It was unfortunate, however yet another instance of inappropriate use of Social Media, this time by catering staff resulted in dismissal/resignation of 3 catering staff. Ken and Gill strive to redress the shortfall and this is proving somewhat strenuous. It is proposed to engage Vanessa Evans as a replacement for Gill's role once she leaves her current employment. It has been suggested that Gill will continue to have a role from Madeira using web services and a dedicated VPN connection inwards, though it was pointed out that any technical support could only be at best effort and not guaranteed.

External Matters

The Mobile Phone proposals were discussed with the Directors agreeing to the location at Aviemore, however rejecting the current proposed site adjacent to the Golf Course at Boat-of-Garten until further considerations had been made a site adjacent to Morley Mansions (old North Shed site). A response is awaited from the CTiL, Telefonica (O2), Vodafone, Galliford Try consortium.

Engineering Committee

The Board were advised that the Engineering Committee was to be reformed and a meeting would take place before the next Board Meeting.

Token Use Irregularity

Stephen Wood would interview two individuals who proceeded from Aviemore with the incorrect Token and this would be followed up by an incident closure interview by Stephen Muirhead and Doug Scott. The matter has been reported to the ORR.

*By order of the Board
Strathspey Railway Company
20th May 2017*