

**Scottish Brass Band Association  
Area Associations Meeting – 7th October 2012  
Howden Park Centre, Livingston**

**1. Attendance and Apologies**

**Present:**

George Burt (President), Carrie Boax (Vice President), Tom Allan (Secretary), Andrew Duncan (Development Manager), Raymond Thomson (Minute Secretary), Andrew Douglas, Angela Douglas, Nicola Douglas, Lynsey Paterson, Andy Smith, John Todd.

**2. Business**

- Grants have been distributed. In the next year, the grant will be £1,000 per Association, with a hope for 2 more Associations. These new Associations will help to make better sense of the geography of Scotland.
- Alan McLaren has offered to examine and redesign the East of Scotland Association with a view making a better representation of its catchment area and getting part of it going again.
- The West of Scotland Solo and Ensemble Contest is on 27 October. To date the number of entries is low.
- The Borders Entertainment Contest had over 30 entries and the organisers have managed to squeeze in 22 bands. There will be a new Youth Band Contest on 20 January. Workshops are still getting big numbers.
- Fife had a successful contest on 6 October and will also have its Youth Contest on 20 January

**AOB**

None

**Next Meeting**

January 2013

**Raymond A Thomson, Minute Secretary  
17 October 2012**