



Minutes of Bridge of Allan Community Council AGM

Held at 7pm on Tuesday 18th June, 2019

in the Allan Centre

Present:– Mike Watson (MW) CHAIR; Leslie Harkness (LH) SECRETARY; Anna Doerer (AD) TREASURER; Michael Burt (MB); Siobhan Hencher (SH); Ian McCusker (IMc); Bill Fortune (BF); Alasdair Taylor (AT)

Apologies: Joanne Chisholm (JC); Janie Meikle Bland (JMB); Vicky McDowell (VMcD); Andrew Drummond Baxter (ADB); Sandra Davidson (SD); Moira Randall (MR); Councillor Douglas Dodds; Councillor Graham Houston; Alexander Stewart MSP; Stephen Kerr MP

In attendance: Councillor Alistair Tollemache; Councillor Alastair Majury; Andrew Davis (Stirling Council)

Abbreviations – Community Council (CC), Community Action Plan (CAP), Common Good Fund (CGF), Stirling Council (SC), Annual General Meeting (AGM)

Approval of Minutes of Previous AGM

Minutes of the previous AGM held on 21st August 2018 were approved (Proposer: LH; Seconded: MB).

Matters Arising and Annual Report (MW)

MW opened the meeting by asking if there were any matters arising. None were recorded.

MW then delivered the CC Chair's report. MW thanked everyone for their contributions over the past year, and discussed some of the highlights from the period:

- Planning - There were a variety of planning issues to consider, and MW thanked Duncan McDougall in particular for his expert input on technical and legal detail in regard to the Airthrey Kerse planning application. He also thanked the elected representatives for their support in regard to the Park of Keir planning application.
- Community Action Plan - MW thanked JMB for her work on refreshing the Community Action Plan, and recognised that there was considerable work ahead on this in the coming year, as we seek wider engagement with the key community stakeholders.
- Common Good Fund – MW commented that we now had a much clearer understanding on the working of the Common Good Fund, including its history, our role to be formally consulted on applications to spend money from it, and our relationship with the Provost's Panel and the elected members who make the formal decisions on allocations from the fund.
- Tennis Courts – work to upgrade the Tennis Courts continues.
- Traffic / Speeding – this is still an issue, and in the coming period we will contribute to the SC parking strategy and associated consultations.

- Christmas Lights – The CC will now take on management of these.
- Teas Company – the launch of this initiative has been a success over the last year.

MW closed his report by thanking the four elected members for their support during the year, and also Andrew Davis for his support and advice. He also thanked Bill Young for his input for the Rail Partnership.

Approval of Annual Accounts (AD)

AD talked through the Annual Accounts, with key points noted below:

- Bank balance is healthy, sitting at approximately £6378
- This includes a Stirling Council grant of £1500 for the Teas Company project
- An adjustment was made to the Administration Fund of £18 for 3 months web hosting fee from Netl since this has remained unclaimed for over a year.
- The CC control an account in the name of Bridge of Allan War Memorial Fund with a balance of £2,436.06. This amount is not included in the figures and is held in a separate account. This fund is intended for use for maintenance of the War Memorial. The current signatory is Gavin Drummond.
- It was agreed that this fund should be transferred to the control of Bridge of Allan CC, and Gavin Drummond offered to assist in this.

Action 2019-06-18/AGM-1. Bridge of Allan War Memorial Fund is to be transferred to the control of Bridge of Allan CC.

The Annual Accounts were prepared by Anna Doeser, and independently examined by Gavin Drummond.

The Annual Accounts were approved at the meeting (Proposed: BF; Seconded: SH).

It was noted that the signed accounts need to be submitted by 31st July 2019, along with the AGM Minutes.

Election of Office Bearers

The following Office Bearers were elected at the AGM :

Chair: Mike Watson (proposer LH, seconded MB)

Secretary: Leslie Harkness (proposer MW, seconded IMcC)

Treasurer: Anna Doeser (proposer BF, seconded MB)

Vice Chair: Election deferred at this meeting

The AGM closed at approximately 7.20pm