



Minutes of AGM meeting held at Mercat centre on the 20 June 2019 at 7.00

1. Present Tom Anderson **TA** (chair) Marion Macleod **MM** (secretary), Rita Fenton **RMF** (Treasurer), Isabell McLaughlan **IM** CC, Andrew Newdick **AN** CC, Ron Ferguson **RF** CC
HCllr Derek Loudon **DL**

Public in attendance, Elizabeth Ross, Alistair Fenton, David Chambers, Colin Graham

2. Apologies Sandra MacDonald **SM** (vice Chair), Angie Cox **AC** (Minute Secretary)

3. Minutes of AGM meeting held 21.06.18 at the Mercat Centre

No matters arising or actions from the Minutes.

Minutes proposed by **IM** and seconded by **RF**

4. Annual accounts Copy of Financial Report for the year end 31.03.19 circulated to all those present.

RMF noted that CC Insurance of £86.00 was previously taken off at source, prior to CC grant being received and therefore did not show on KALECC accounts. CC's must now pay their Insurance directly and so this payment now shown as an expenditure on accounts.

The payment of £100.00 from the BT Windfarm shown on accounts was to cover the cost of the additional poppies ordered this year.

Administration cost showing as zero this financial year as Minute Secretary is no longer paid.

Note that the copy of Financial Report sent to Helen Ross, HC, was not signed by Auditor but Helen to contact her directly to get this rectified.

Accounts proposed by **MM** and seconded by **IM**

5. Chairperson's report

Welcome to our last AGM before elections in November and I would like to express my thanks to all KALECC Councillors for working well together with the aim of improving the communities in which we live. A particular mention for Marion and Rita for their work as Secretary and Treasurer, and Angie who continued as Minute Secretary while being Co-opted onto the Community Council. Thanks also to Ron for keeping the web site up to date. Charles Robb had to leave KALECC due to personal reasons and we thank him for his contribution.

I think the most disappointing issue of the past year has again been Highland Councils

reduction in our grant and the dismissal of the points made to retain the grant level - this seems to fly in the face of Highland Councils statement of working with and valuing the work done in communities by Community Council. However, the contribution of our Local Members and attendance at meetings - particularly Fiona and Derek- has been appreciated and I am grateful for the issues they take up on our behalf. They do their very best to get them resolved and this should be noted. It should also be noted that Local Members have arranged for a proportion of their Discretionary Grant to be paid to Community Councils.

The Delny rail crossing issue continues and the barriers are a safety improvement but early work on the bridge crossing seems to have stopped. Our work on dealing with Planning Applications as speedily as possible has continued and thanks to all for contributing to this task. The next years Planning tasks will relate to the Local Development Plan and we should prepare for major input into the process as this will be the basis for all planning developments in the area. I am impressed and appreciate the willingness of Councillors to get involved and contribute to wider community issues and groups such as Ports at Invergordon and Nigg, Community Safety, Mental Health and Wellbeing and the Tain Campus.

Thanks again for all your help; it has been a pleasure to work with you over the past year.

CC's thanked **TA** for his contribution to KALECC

6. Election of Officers. It was agreed by all CC members present that due to the upcoming Elections (and given that we now break for 2 months) that Officers would remain the same. **HCIlr DL** Chaired the Election of Officers:

TA (Chair) – Proposed by **IM** and Seconded by **RF**

SM (Vice chair) – Proposed by **AN** and Seconded by **RMF**

MM (Secretary) – Proposed by **IM** and Seconded by **AN**

RMF (Treasurer) – Proposed by **TA** and Seconded by **IM**

Auditor – Proposed by **RMF** and seconded by **RF**

7. Date of AGM

18 June 2020