

KINLOCHBERVIE COMMUNITY COMPANY

Draft Minutes of Annual General Meeting

**held on 26 October 2016
at the Harbour Offices**

Present: Graham Wild (Chair), Margaret Meek (Secretary), Christine MacKenzie (Director), Donald McLeod (Director)

Apologies: James MacDonald (Director), Lawrence MacLeod (Director), Hugh Morrison (Local Councillor), George Farlow (Local Councillor), Duncan MacLeod (Member), Sandra Armes-Harris (community resident)

21 people signed the attendance register – 4 Directors, 12 members of the Kinlochbervie Community Company, 5 non-members

1.0 Minutes of the Previous AGM – 15 September 2015

The minutes of the previous AGM held on 15 September 2015 were proposed for approval by David De Boer and seconded by Christine MacKenzie. Approved.

2.0 Chair's Report

As there were insufficient copies of the Chair's Annual Report to meet demand, Graham Wild read the report aloud. The report is attached to these minutes.

3.0 Presentation of Financial Accounts

Margaret Meek tabled the 2015 Financial Accounts that had been prepared by Gray and Butler in Tain. She stated that there was very little financial activity in 2015 and that the Accounts are available to read on our website. The Accounts have been submitted to both Companies House and the Office of the Charity Regulator.

Members approved the Accounts and agreed to appoint Gray and Butler as the accountants for the next set of accounts.

Margaret Meek stated that the Company currently has £1,662.29 in the chequing account and £9,003.70 in the savings account.

4.0 Fixing of Annual Subscriptions

Members agreed to fix the annual subscription at ZERO (£ 0.00).

5.0 New Articles of Association

Margaret Meek explained that the original Articles of Association needed to be updated to keep in line with current legislation. She tabled copies of both the existing and proposed Articles of Association. She also distributed copies for discussion of a 2-page summary of key points and changes. This document is attached to these minutes.

Members approved the adoption of the proposed Articles of Association.

6.0 Election of Board of Directors

Under the new Articles of Association, up to 7 members may be elected to the Board of Directors, up to 2 may be appointed by the Kinlochbervie Community Council and up to 3 may be co-opted.

Christine MacKenzie and Margaret Meek were appointed by the Kinlochbervie Community Council at its meeting on 25 October 2016.

There were 5 nominations for election to the Board of Directors; all were accepted. They are Graham Wild, Donald McLeod, Lawrence MacLeod, James MacDonald and George Corbett.

Jasmine Clark stated that it would be a good idea to approach the high school with a view to inviting a high school pupil to attend meetings. Everyone agreed that this was a good idea although Christine MacKenzie pointed out that the number of senior high school pupils is very small.

Margaret Meek stated that there is provision in the legislation for Junior Membership but that she had not included it in the proposed Articles of Association as it not been a part of the previous Articles.

Members agreed to amend the proposed Articles of Association to include provision for Junior Members. Margaret Meek will make the amendment.

7.0 AOCB

Graham Wild mentioned that the Company is acquiring the two former fish sheds at Loch Clash. They are the oldest buildings at the old harbour which for many decades was the centre of the community (fishing, trade). The buildings are in poor condition.

The Community Company would like to restore the buildings but as yet has no vision for their eventual use. A heritage centre had been mentioned.

During the discussion that followed, it was suggested that the Company focus initially on restoring the buildings and that perhaps the buildings could be restored by community members through the mechanism of running traditional skills courses. Murdo MacPherson stated that the roof was dangerous in its current condition.