

STRUAN COMMUNITY TRUST
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 24th JUNE 2024

AT

Struan Primary School

7.00pm

PRESENT: TRUSTEES – John MacKinnon (Chairman), Mr Alexander MacPhie (Vice Chairman) Alison Munro (Secretary), Donald Beaton (Treasurer) Kenny Munro, Christine MacLennan & Lynda MacCusbic

PRESENT: COMMUNITY MEMBERS – Geoff Semler, Alasdair Morrison, Alastair Streeton, Finella MacKinnon, Maggie Wilkinson & Steve Wilkinson, Niall Till, Kenna MacInnes, Leslie Charteris & Mr & Mrs Grindrod.

APOLOGIES – No apologies put forward.

John MacKinnon (Chairman) opened the meeting with a welcome to all.

1. MINUTES

The minutes of the last AGM held on 19th June 2023 were agreed as being a true representation of the meeting were proposed by A Morrison, and seconded by Maggie Wilkinson were duly signed.

2. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT.

Mr J MacKinnon delivered his report. (See attached)

Mr MacKinnon reported that it had been a good year for the Trust with many projects being funded and that just three applications were unsuccessful as they did not fit the criteria set out in the Trusts guidelines and so could not be funded.

He told the meeting that the Trustees had met often in the past year as they progress with the new CLG (Company Limited by Guarantee) and are in the stages of finalising details of the **Articles of Association with their solicitors Roberts LLP**

He thanked all Trustees for giving so much of their time this past year on behalf of the community. Mr MacKinnon invited questions from the floor.

No questions were raised

Mr MacKinnon handed the meeting over to the Treasurer

3. TREASURER'S REPORT

Audited accounts to 31st March 2024 had been completed, Mr Beaton went through the report, (See attached copy)

The balance in the Current Account at **31st March 2024** was **£147,860.35**.

He reported that as at the 1st April 2024 **£14,969.58** had been granted in applications making the balance at the date of this meeting **£132,890.77** with **Vattenfall Community Payment Grant** expected next month of around **£54,000**.

Mr A Morrison enquired at the AGM in 2023 how much in total that had been granted to the community since the Trust began in 2010.

Mr Beaton advised that the total amount is **£473,472.93**

Mr Beaton also confirmed that accounts had been audited and a copy is available for the meeting to peruse.

Mr Beaton invited questions from the floor.

No questions were raised.

Accounts were proposed by **Mr Geoff Semler** and seconded by **Niall Till** and duly signed.

4. APPOINTMENT OF FINANCIAL ADVISORS

Messrs Donald Rankin was proposed to continue by **John MacKinnon**, seconded by **Doanld Beaton**

5. APPOINTMENT OF TRUSTEES

Mr MacKinnon handed the meeting over to the secretary, Alison Munro. Mrs Munro stated that two Trustees were obliged to stand down this year – Mr John MacKinnon and Alexander MacPhie. three completed nomination forms were received by the secretary. **Mr John MacKinnon, Alexander MacPhie & Mr Leslie Charteris**

Mrs Munro advised that a **Community Election** would be required to be held. Mrs Munro stated that due to the **General Election** the **Highland Council Election Officer** would be unable to assist and advise her until after the general election which could be a number of weeks.

Mr MacKinnon advised that unless one of the nominees was willing to retract their nomination that the Trustees would be unable to conduct business until an election could be carried out as office bearers could not be appointed. **Mr Geoff Semler** advised the Trustees should be able to conduct business with five remaining Trustees as they make up a majority.

The Trustees could not verify this advice and said that they would have to check if this was correct.

Mr Charteris addressed the meeting and said that he would be willing to retract his nomination. Mr MacKinnon thanked him and will contact him once he has more information to hand.

6. CLG UP-DATE

Mr MacKinnon told the meeting that the Trustees have a final draft of the **Articles of Association** from their solicitors but the Trustees have not been able to meet to discuss it but will do as soon they have dates available.

7. AOCB

No other business

8. DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

AGM Monday 23th June 2025 7.00pm.

There being no further business the Chairman thanked the meeting and closed at 7.20pm.

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CHAIRMANS REPORT 2024

This past year the Trust has funded the following applications.

Community Council- Flower replanting, Defib pad replacement, Old Cemetery wall repair, running costs, Cemetery carpark fencing and grass cutting.

Dunvegan Show – PA System

Susan MacKinnon – Christmas Lights switch on refreshments

Dunvegan & Struan Lunch Club – Christmas Dinner

Marie Morrison – CAP refreshments

Struan History Group – Display boards, scanner , computer & hardrive

Isle of Skye Boys Brigade – Set up Costs

Lucky 2B here – New Battery

Donations were made to CAB and the Archive Centre.

Three applications did not fit the criteria so therefore not funded.

It's been another good year for the Trust with many projects being funded which is very pleasing indeed.

The Trustees have met often this past year as we progress with the new CLG, we are close to finalising the articles of association with our legal team.

Thanks once again to all the Trustees for giving so much of their time this past year on behalf of the community.

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Income and Expenditure Account for the year 1st April 2023 to 31st March 2024

INCOME

Vattenfall Windpower	£54,204.29
Bank Interest	£1,778.91
Refund from Struan Community Development Group. Energy Vouchers	<u>£1,700.00</u>
	£57,683.20
Treasurer's Account Balance as at 1st April 2023.	<u>£122,909.50</u>
	£180,592.70

EXPENDITURE

Planning Aid Scotland. Consultants. Struan Community Action Plan.	£15,000.00
Struan Community Council. Skips(6).	£5,760.00
MacRoberts LLP. Professional Fees.	£4,536.00
Secretary's Annual Honorarium.	£1,000.00
Dunvegan Show Committee. PA System.	£889.00
Struan Community Council. TV Screen and equipment .	£869.95
Struan Community Council. Old cemetery wall repair.	£730.00
Display Boards for use in Struan School.	£692.40
Struan Community Council. General Expenses.	£500.00
Donald Rankin Business Services. Audit Fee.	£450.00
Struan Community Council. Grass Cutting.	£430.00
Struan Community Council. Re-planting at War Memorial.	£395.64
Just Host. Domain Name Registration.	£389.08
Lucky2 BeHere. Donation.	£300.00
Struan Community Development Group. Flowers for Planters.	£287.50
Christmas Lights Switch On.	£247.98
Lucky2BeHere. Replace Defibrillator Pads.	£120.00
West Highland Free Press. AGM Advert.	£79.80
Travel Expenses. Meetings in Edinbane and Dunvegan.	£40.00
SLCVO Annual Subscription.	<u>£15.00</u>
	£32,732.35
Treasurer's Account Balance as at 31st March 2024.	<u>£147,860.35</u>
	£180,592.70

Geoff

Niall

R. Mac

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