

Garve & District Community Council

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Held in the Garve Hall at 8pm

Tuesday 27th August 1996

Chairman Mr MacKenzie opened the meeting at 8.00pm. and thanked those present for their attendance. (Following the failure of the original date set for the AGM to achieve a quorum of Councilors or members from the Public.)

Apologies

Apologies were received from Brenda MacPhail.

Present.

Mr G G MacKenzie (Chairman), Mrs E Hughes, Mrs P MacDonald, Mr U Menzies, Mrs B MacLeod, Mr J Bedwell, Mr A MacKenzie, Lady L Melville and Mr E Tarr (Sec) together with over 50 members of the public from the community.

Agenda.

1 Presentation of 1995/6 Accounts

The Chairman presented the 1995/6 Accounts and invited questions from the floor. None were forthcoming.

The Chairman went on to present the 1996/7 Accounts - year to date, which showed a current surplus of £329.49.

The meeting was advised that the Community Council's Grant had been applied for and provisionally granted for the current year.

The Chairman proposed to the meeting that funds gathered and held in relation to the Senior Citizens fund should be held in a separate Account but under the care and administration of the Community Council. This proposal was in accordance with agreement reached at the previous Council meeting and not being challenged, will be adopted.

The Accounts were proposed by Lady Melville, seconded by Mr Doug W. S. and adopted.

2. Election of 2 Councilors

Mr Sandy Logie questioned if the entire Council should be placed open for election by the Community. The Chairman & Secretary stated their understanding that a full election would not be required under the Constitution until April 1997. Clarification was also on request from the floor, relating to the No. Of Councilors and Office bearers required under the current Constitution.

The meeting went on to receive nominations for 2 Councilors - Ms C Grant and Mr D W. S. These nominations were proposed by Lady Melville, seconded by Mr S Young and adopted.

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3. Election of Officers

Nominations received were read to the meeting and Votes taken by a show of hands. The following Councilors were elected as Office bearers:

Mr U Menzies	Chairman
Mr J Bedwell	Vice Chair
Ms I Hughes	Secretary
Lady L Melville	Treasurer

The outgoing Chairman thanked the Council and Community members for their support over the years and wished his successors and other Councilors success in the session ahead.

4. Questions from the floor.

The Chairman opened the meeting to questions from the floor and the following key issues were debated:

1. The frequency of Council meetings and access by the public.
It was agreed that Council meeting would continue on a bi-monthly basis but would be moved to a Tuesday evening - i.e., the First Tuesday in every 'even' month. The Chairman confirmed that all meetings had been and would remain open to members of the Community.
2. Council fund holdings were seen as being too low.
It was agreed that the new Council should consider removing the current limit on Council fund holdings in order to better serve the Community.
3. Constitutional Issues.
Given the lack of clarity over the full extent of the current Constitution, it was agreed that any documentation existing should be reviewed and consideration given to the formation of a new Constitution for the Council.
4. Communications with the Community.
The difficulty of ensuring that Community members were kept informed of Council business, meeting dates etc. was recognised and debated. The new Council made a commitment to review the costs and method by which communication could be improved with the Community.

Their being no other business, the Outgoing Chairman closed the meeting at 21.10hrs

The next meeting was set for 1st Oct. 1996 - ALL WELCOME.

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Income and Expenditure Account for year ended 31 March 1996

<u>Income</u>	£	£
Interest	9.92	
Surplus on War Memorial Account (per attached)	<u>91.40</u>	
		101.32
<u>Deduct - Expenditure</u>		
Typing and Photocopying	60.00	
Secretarial Expenses	80.00	
Hire of Coach (Old Folks Party)	90.00	
Presentation to Sir Roderick Stirling	24.62	
Hire of Hall	<u>39.00</u>	<u>293.62</u>
<u>Deficit for Year</u>		<u>£ 192.30</u>

Statement of Funds at 31 March 1996

Balance at 31 March 1995	636.05	
<u>Deduct - Deficit for year</u>	<u>192.30</u>	<u>443.75</u>

Represented by:

Cash in Bank Current Account	264.74	
Cash in Hand	<u>179.01</u>	<u>443.75</u>

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We have examined the books and records of Garve and District Community Council which we have found properly kept and adequately vouched. We certify that the above Abstract of Income and Expenditure for year ended 31 March 1996 is in accordance with these books and records.

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War Memorial Account for year ended 31 March 1996

<u>Income</u>	£	£
Donations	67.28	
Sale of Bulbs	14.00	
Proceeds from Coffee Morning	<u>196.51</u>	277.79
 <u>Deduct - Expenditure</u>		
Wreath	15.50	
Trees, Plants and Bulbs	105.29	
Strimmer	59.60	
Coffee Morning Costs	<u>6.00</u>	186.39
<u>Surplus for Year</u>		<u>£ 91.40</u>