

~~Draft~~ Minutes of Garve & District Community Council AGM
held 4th June 2013 Garve Village Hall

Present: Kenny MacLean (Chairman), Jean Hollingdale (Secretary), Jean Bailey (Treasurer), Eliza Leslie Melville, Jennifer Haslam, Sue Tarr (Minute Sec), Bob Moir, Alex Mackenzie; Cllr Ian Cockburn; Fiona Milligan (Infinergy); 3 members of public.

The Chairman opened the meeting at 7pm and welcomed everyone.

Apologies: Nick Sage (Infinergy), Dennis Kearney (Jones Bros).

Declarations of Interest: None.

Approval of minutes of AGM held 6th June 2012: Proposed by Alex Mackenzie and seconded by Jennifer Haslam.

Matters Arising: None.

Chairman's report: The past twelve months have, as ever, kept the Community Council very busy.

Eneco, in conjunction with Jones Brothers have continued to construct the consented Eneco Lochluichart windfarm. Community Council members were very pleased to have been asked to visit the site again in November 2012 which marked the first anniversary since construction begun. It is hoped that the windfarm will be generating electricity by the end of this year.

The negotiations between E-ON and The Highland Council over community benefit from the consented E-ON Corriemoillie windfarm are ongoing. E-ON is considering the possibility of increasing the generating capacity of the windfarm. They are also looking into finding the most suitable route to bury a cable that will bring their electricity down from their consented windfarm to the Corriemoillie Substation.

Infinergy received planning permission to build 6 turbines as an extension to the consented Eneco Lochluichart windfarm last autumn from the Scottish Government. Infinergy have also set up their own LEO fund as a form of community benefit directed towards those who live within the G&DCC area. Eneco have now taken over the running of this windfarm. In the autumn SSE and I&H Brown contractors began work on the new Corriemoillie substation. Balfour Beatty also began work to upgrade the Mossford to Beaully power line.

Our Bingo Night held in September and our Burns Supper in January were both well supported by the community. We had stalls at the Christmas Fairs held in Ledgowan Hotel in November and in Garve Hall in December. All the proceeds from these events went towards the Senior Citizens' party. The party was held in October and was attended by 51 people – a near record. I think the Ledgowan Hotel did a super job. The various donations from individuals in the community as well as from local businesses and local groups were very much appreciated. Our Summer Fair is due to be held on Saturday 15 June in Garve Village Hall. HM The Queen's Diamond Jubilee celebrations were completed when a commemorative tree was planted in Gorstan. A big thank you to SSE, I&H Brown contractors and Donnie Gunn for their help.

In March we saw the launch of the Community Council's own website - www.community-council.org.uk/garveanddistrict. We have had over three hundred visitors "hits" since the website was launched.

PI Renewables are considering building a windfarm on Carn Gorm and they have kept the G&DCC informed of progress.

The deteriorating state of the trunk roads and landslips has been of great concern to the G&DCC over the last year. We hope all the problems will be rectified soon. The G&DCC has considered six scoping reports, twenty one consultation documents and fourteen planning applications since the last AGM. All building warrants, planning applications and licensing issues can be viewed on the Highland Council website - www.highland.gov.uk/yourenvironment/planning & www.highland.gov.uk/businessinformation/licensing

We have also addressed a number of other issues since our last AGM including the new noticeboards in Achnasheen, water supplies in both Garve and Achnasheen, layby bins, potholes, community service issues, radio masts, street lighting, "adopt a railway station" scheme, improvements to picnic areas, deer fencing, The Avenue, signage, the proposed bilingual activity centre, changes to school/public bus timetables, the non-delivery of BT phone books and the knock on effects of the partial closing of the Kessock Bridge would have on commuters from this community. Everything is looked into to try and make things a little bit better for all who live here.

All these issues have been discussed at twelve ordinary meetings and one Fundraising Sub Committee meeting held since the last AGM. These meetings, which have lasted around twenty five hours, have been well attended by the members of the G&DCC, representatives from different companies, agencies and the public. We have distributed three sets of fliers to every house in the G&DCC area since our last AGM. These have been another way along with the minutes that help to keep everyone in the G&DCC area up to date with the G&DCC discussions, decisions and our

fundraising events. My thanks to the flier volunteers and also the various outlets in the G&DCC area. Their assistance really helps us to get the information out to the community.

I have attended five meetings of neighbouring Community Councils, one Ward Forum, numerous public meetings, drop ins, exhibitions and local events in the last twelve months and I have kept in touch with the School and Church. All this has been reported in Chairman's Comments. In the coming year we will continue to work on all the various issues that come before the Community Council for the benefit of this community. There are three departments at The Highland Council I must single out, namely Street Lighting, Planning and TECS all of whom have shown us great courtesy and helpfulness in anything we ask of them. We send them our thanks.

I would like to thank all the G&DCC members for the continuing support they show me, for their help and advice they have given me over the last three years since I returned to the Community Council and may I thank them on behalf of the community for all the hard work they do as G&DCC members. We must thank Jennifer Haslam, who oversees any catering requirements the G&DCC may have. A thank you must go to Jean Hollingdale who, as Madam Secretary helps to keep all G&DCC members fully informed. We must also thank Jean Bailey who, as Madam Treasurer oversees that the figures in the bank are correct. We also thank Sue Tarr for the work she does for us by representing this community at the Wester Ross Alliance and for producing the fliers, posters and of course as our Minute Secretary. A thank you must go to our Ward Councillors and to Robbie Bain, Ward Manager for their input and advice. We must also thank Dennis Kearney for his monthly windfarm construction updates, all the energy companies, the Police who send us regular reports and to the Garve and Achnasheen Village Hall committees for being so helpful to the G&DCC throughout the year.

Finally, but by no means least, a thank you must go to the people of this community for their continued support of their Community Council.

Treasurer's report: The Treasurer highlighted some points relating to the Annual Accounts. A deficit is shown on the Diamond Jubilee Fund because the donations were received in the previous financial year. All the Diamond Jubilee Fund has now been spent. In the Senior Citizen's Fund, the fundraising in the current year did not cover the cost of the dinner but there was a surplus from the previous year. The G&DCC admin costs came to £82.84 more than the amount received as Highland Council Grant. The bank balance at the end of the financial year stands at £1877.77.

G&DCC running costs were discussed; as the Highland Council Grant is decreasing it was recognised that some of the G&DCC fundraising effort should be set aside for general G&DCC expenses if required.

It is expected that the Senior Citizen's Fund can apply to the Lochluichart Community Trust in the future.

The public can inspect the Annual Accounts at Garve Post Office, at www.community-council.org.uk/garveanddistrict or contact the Secretary for a copy. The Treasurer noted that one entry reads "Golden Jubilee" where it should read "Diamond Jubilee".

Adoption of Audited Accounts for year ended 31st March 2013: Proposed by Jean Hollingdale and seconded by Bob Moir.

Thanks to Ann Macrae for auditing the accounts.

Election of Office Bearers: Jennifer Haslam proposed that all office bearers be re-nominated; seconded by Bob Moir. There were no other nominations for office bearers; all agreed to re-election of all the office bearers as follows: Kenny MacLean, Chairman; Jean Hollingdale, Secretary; Jean Bailey, Treasurer; Sue Tarr, Minute Secretary.

Kenny MacLean to continue to deal with Press enquiries, the Parent Council and the Church.

Jennifer Haslam to continue with catering arrangements.

Sue Tarr to continue as Wester Ross Alliance representative.

Dates of future meetings for the coming year have been booked with the village halls as follows and were proposed by Kenny MacLean, seconded by Jean Bailey and all agreed.

Tues 2nd July 2013 7pm Achnasheen Village Hall

Tues 6th Aug 2013 7pm Garve Village Hall

Tues 3rd Sept 2013 7pm Achnasheen Village Hall

Tues 1st Oct 2013 7pm Garve Village Hall

Tues 5th Nov 2013 7pm Achnasheen Village Hall

Tues 3rd Dec 2013 7pm Garve Village Hall

Tues 7th Jan 2014 7pm Garve Village Hall

Tues 4th Feb 2014 7pm Garve Village Hall

Tues 4th Mar 2014 7pm Achnasheen Village Hall

Tues 1st Apr 2014 7pm Garve Village Hall

Tues 6th May 2014 7pm Achnasheen Village Hall

Tues 3rd June 2014 7pm AGM followed by Ordinary Meeting, Garve Village Hall.

AOB – none.

Date of next AGM: 3rd June 2014 7pm in Garve Village Hall.

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 7.25pm.

GARVE AND DISTRICT COMMUNITY COUNCIL

BANK RECONCILIATION AT 31ST MARCH 2013

	£	£
Balance as at 1st. April 2012		£2,953.85
Add Income	£2,241.93	
Less Expenditure	-£3,318.01	
Deficit for Year		-£1,076.08
Balance as at 31st. March 2013		<u>£1,877.77</u>
Bank Statement as at 31st. March 2013		£1,897.77
Less Unpresented Cheque No 020293 Achnasheen Amenities Dated 7th March 2013		-£20.00
Balance as at 31st. March 2013		<u>£1,877.77</u>
The only Balance Sheet Item is the Asset of Cash at bank Being Community Council Acc.- Bank of Scot Acc.00337750		<u>£1,877.77</u>

Independent Examiners Certificate

I hereby certify that the Accounts to the 31st. March 2013 are an accurate summary of the underlying books and records of Garve and District Community Council.

4/9/13

John Macdonald

GARVE AND DISTRICT COMMUNITY COUNCIL

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT for Year ended 31st. March 2013

	2013		2012	
<u>INCOME</u>	£	£	£	£
Highland Council Grant		1,046.02		1,120.17
<u>Donations</u>				
U. Menzies War Memorial	0.00		88.50	
J. Haslam " "	40.00		80.00	
Eneco S.Citizens Dinner	0.00		1,000.00	
J. Haslam S.Citizens Dinner	0.00		30.00	
Anon "	0.00		20.00	
Mr & Mrs Smith "	0.00		40.00	
Total Diamond Jubilee Donations	0.00		800.00	
Total S.Citizens Dinner Donations 2012	55.00		0.00	
Total Burns Supper Donations	50.00	145.00	0.00	2,058.50
<u>Other Income</u>				
Car Boot Sale S.Citizens Dinner	0.00		60.00	
Sale of Surplus D/Jubilee Coins J. Bailey	38.97		0.00	
Bingo Night Proceeds S.Citizens	501.00		0.00	
Ledgowan Sale " "	55.00		0.00	
Christmas Fair S.Citizens Dinner	140.10		106.50	
Easter Fair " "	0.00		200.00	
Burns Night Proceeds " "	295.00		0.00	
Summer Fair Proceeds " "	0.00		533.27	
Contra-Balance of D/Jubilee to S.Citizens	20.84		0.00	
Bank Interest	0.00	1,050.91	0.35	900.12
<u>TOTAL INCOME</u>		<u>£2,241.93</u>		<u>£4,078.79</u>
 <u>EXPENDITURE</u>				
H.Council P.Liability Ins.	85.47		67.71	
Secretary's Fees	250.00		600.00	
Minute Secretary's Fees	250.00		0.00	
Meetings Expenses - Halls etc.	267.81		326.52	
Administration Costs	195.58		104.49	
Accountants Fees	80.00	1,128.86	160.00	1,258.72
<u>Community Events Costs</u>				
S.Citizens Christmas Dinner	1243.50		1,470.75	
Summer Fair Exps.	0.00		44.40	
Bingo Night Expenses	31.50		0.00	
Burns Night Expenses	75.18		0.00	
Christmas Fair Exps.	0.00		8.00	
Diamond Jubilee Coins/Plaque plus				
Balance of fund to S/Citizens	838.97	2189.15	0.00	1,523.15
<u>Maintenance Costs</u>				
War Memorial Costs	0.00	0.00	150.00	150.00
<u>TOTAL EXPENDITURE</u>		<u>£ 3,318.01</u>		<u>£ 2,931.87</u>
 Surplus/Deficit for the year		 -£1,076.08		 £1,146.92
 Balance b/forward 2011/12		 2,953.85		 1,806.93
<u>SURPLUS CARRIED FORWARD 2012/13</u>		<u>£1,877.77</u>		<u>£2,953.85</u>

**SARVE AND DISTRICT COMMUNITY
COUNCIL**

Breakdown of Sub-Accounts 2012-2013 for the Communities Information

Senior Citizens Breakdown

Income

Donations	105.00	
Fund Raising	991.10	
Contra from Diamond Jubilee Acc.	<u>20.84</u>	1,116.94

Expenditure

Bingo Night Expenses	31.50	
Burns Night Expenses	75.18	
Dinner Costs	1,237.95	
Admin. Costs	<u>5.55</u>	1,350.18
Deficit		<u>-3 299.24</u>
B/fwd 1st April 2012		1,105.73
Deficit 2012/13		- 299.24
Balance as at 31st. March 2013		<u>£ 872.49</u>

Diamond Jubilee Fund

Income

Coins Sold	<u>38.97</u>	38.97
Expenditure		

Diamond Jubilee Coins	714.45	
J. Hood Slate Plaque	103.68	
Contra of Balance to S.Citizens Acc.	<u>20.84</u>	838.97
Deficit		<u>-3 600.00</u>
B/fwd 1st.April 2012		800.00
Deficit 2012/13		-800.00
Balance as at 31st. March 2013		<u>£ -</u>

Treasurers Account Breakdown
Income

Highland Council Grant	<u>1,046.02</u>	1,046.02
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Expenditure

P.Liability Insurance	85.47	
Secretaries Fees to 31/03/12	500.00	
Administration Costs	195.58	
Hall Rent etc.	267.81	
Auditor Fees 2013	<u>80.00</u>	1,128.86
Deficit		<u>-£ 82.86</u>
B/fwd 1st April 2012		947.26
Deficit		<u>82.86</u>
Balance as at 31st. March 2013		<u>£ 864.42</u>

War Memorial Breakdown
Income

Donation	<u>40.00</u>	40.00
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Expenditure

Maintenance Exps.	<u>-</u>	-
		<u>£ 40.00</u>
B/fwd 1st April 2012		100.86
Surplus 2012/2013		40.00
Balance as at 31st. March 2012		<u>£ 140.86</u>

Senior Citizens Acc. C/Fwd to 1st April 2013	872.49
Treasurers Acc C/Fwd to 1st April 2013	864.42
War Memorial Acc. C/Fwd to 1st April 2013	140.86
Total Balance of Bank Account	<u>£ 1,877.77</u>