

ROYAL BURGH OF KIRKCUDBRIGHT COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES of the Annual General Meeting of the Royal Burgh of Kirkcudbright Community Council in the Daar Road, Kirkcudbright on Wednesday 8 May 2019 at 7.00pm

Present: Mrs L Garbutt (Provost) (Chair)
Mr R L Forbes (Treasurer)
Mr J Johns
Mr D McHale
Cllr J Maitland
Mr D Collins
Mr P Smith

Attendance: Ms Debbie Craig

Apologies: Mrs Kim Lowe
Mr Brian Thomson
Mr John Johnson
Mrs Margaret Maxwell
Cllr Pauline Drysdale
Cllr Dougie Campbell

1. Minutes of the previous meeting

Proposed by Mr Thomson and seconded by Mr Collins.

2. Business arising

There were no matters arising.

3. Convener's address

Mrs Garbutt circulated a copy. The copy was as follows:

‘ It has been another busy year for Kirkcudbright Community Council (KCC) and I would like to thank all community councillors for their support.

I would take this opportunity to thank our regional councillors and local police for their support and contributions, and also our secretary, Deborah Craig for keeping us all on track. During this year Patrsy Gilroy stepped down as a councillor as she has now been appointed Lord Lieutenant for the Stewartry and we welcome Pauline Drysdale as our new representative.

The Citizen of the Year award was again presented and the very proud and worthy recipient was Derek True.

The KCC has continued to work with other community groups. The Kirkcudbright Development Trust continues to make great strides this year. The Johnston School has reached its target and the plans are going out to tender imminently. Silvercraigs Caravan Park is a great success and the Asset Transfer Request is going to committee next month.

Kirkcudbright Galleries opened its doors to great acclaim on 9th June 2018, and was officially opened by the Princess Royal on 12th July. It is a stunning conversion and a great asset to our community.

On behalf of the community councils, I have attended the Remembrance Day Parade, Riding of the Marches, and have, again, represented the KCC in York and Irvine.

I have attended meetings of the Community Council Forum, which is evolving and hopefully developing into a more powerful body. For some reason we seem to be looking at yet another new Scheme of Establishment.

We have again been unsuccessful in getting youth representation at our meetings, but I have been co-opted on to the Parent Council at the Academy, so would hope to encourage more involvement.

Kirkcudbright in Bloom operated on a different but very successful format last year, which we are looking to further develop. It is good to see so much pride in our community and our thanks go to Sam Kelly for his help.

Lesley Garbutt, Convenor.

4. Treasurer's Report

Mr Forbes circulated the statement of income and expenditure at 31 March 2019.

Funds at 31 March 2019 - cash in bank £3609.66

The Burgh Trusts stands at £16,175.54

The Cemetery Appeal Fund stands £10,018.21.

Thanks went to Mr Forbes.

5. ELECTION OF OFFICIALS

Councillor Maitland took the Chair.

Election of Convenor and Vice Convenor

Convenor - Mrs Garbutt (proposed by Mr McHale, seconded by Mr Forbes). Vice

Convenor - Mr Thomson (proposed by Mr Forbes, seconded by Mr Collins)

Mrs Garbutt resumed the Chair and it was agreed that all remaining posts would stand as they were.

6. Appointment of Secretary, Treasurer and Minute Secretary

Treasurer - Mr Forbes

Secretary and Minute Secretary - Ms Craig

7. Appointment of Examiner of Accounts Lesley Fortune.

8. Youth members To be confirmed.

9. Appointment of Returning Officer To be decided.

10. Co-option of Members There were no co-options.

11 Appointment of Committee Convenors

- Kirkcudbright in Bloom - TBC
- Citizen of the Year - Mr Smith.

12 Appointment of Representatives to Other Organisations

- Common Good Fund - Mrs Garbutt, Mr Thomson and Mr Forbes.
- League of Friends - Mrs Maxwell.
- Community Council Forum - Mrs Garbutt and Mr McHale.
- Burgh Trusts - Mrs Garbutt, Mr Thomson and Mr Forbes.
- Kirkcudbright Forum - Mr Forbes.
- Kirkcudbright Development Trust - Mr Johnson.
- Chamber of Commerce - Mrs Garbutt.

Any other competent business

Cllr Maitland suggested that Mr Forbes speak to Ingrid Gemmell regarding the possibility putting Burgh and Cemetery Funds into the CGFund and ring-fence them. Mr Forbes agreed that this was an excellent idea and agreed to look into it.

Everyone thanked Mrs Garbutt for all her hard work throughout the year and the meeting closed at 7.30pm.

