# Approved Minutes 98 Tynron Community Council AGM 21st May 2019

- 1. *Present* Sue King Smith, Keith Lewis, Linda McDonald, Mary Newbould, George Freeborn *Apologies* Sue Hall, Jackie Buckham & Adriano De Oliveira
- 2. Approval of minutes from AGM 21st May 2018 Proposed by Mary, Seconded by Keith

### 3. Annual Report from Chair (Sue King-Smith)

A very busy year, mainly because of plans for forestry at Cormilligan and the Sanquhar 2 windfarm Achievements:

- 14 May 2018: public meeting about Cormilligan. Many came, but no county councillors. Thanks to all for hard work preparing display. A second meeting on 18 April. Thanks to all for attending and being positive about outcome. There was no satisfactory solution to the access problem.
- 26 Nov 2018: public meeting re Sanquhar 2, and then another one on 2 May. Many thanks esp to Sue Hall for spearheading Stop S2 campaign. CWL answers on 2 May not satisfactory
- Summer event: CC Barbecue and Hall pub night. BBQ reported as a success although not many families came, and pub night not as well attended as normal. It was however noted that other events were happening elsewhere on same day. It was agreed to try and organise on a date when nothing else happening in future.
- Christmas 2018: the Festive feast was hugely successful again, and this year followed by Christmas
  Lights. This was felt to be too much for the organisers so probably won't happen again on the same
  day.
- Litterpick, 24 March 2019: about 12 people turned out on a fine Sunday and cleared away litter from the roadsides. They were rewarded with excellent soup and cake in the Hall. Several individuals undertook clearance over long sections of road on their own.
- Community Resilience Team: has done another great job, again thanks very largely to Mary and Steve.
- KPT: still needs Tynron people to join in. Hydro scheme: set to start. Broadband: leaflet issued and fibre to premises promised (again). Penpont-Keir path, and plans for PenpontThornhill path are going ahead with funding and negotiations with landowners. CHAT, a group investigating possibilities for a community hub, was set up.
- Streetlighting: Council has shaded some of the bright lights.
- Timber traffic: after a mighty campaign, we have settled for 6 loads a day in summer, 3 in winter, and 20mph speed limit on the glen road, through Tynron and out to the A702 on the LannHall road. This is an improvement.
- Wether Hill windfarm money: with the Hall Committee we made a new agreement on the split of between Hall and CC: 50% of the money to the Hall and 50% to the CC. Sue offered hearty thanks from the community to everybody who has helped to bring about these achievements.

 Ongoing Issues: Cormilligan, Sanquhar 2. Thanks in advance to all those who will deal with these issues in the coming year.

### 4. Appointment of Office Bearers

Everyone agreed to stay in the same positions until the October Elections - Chair- Sue King Smith, Vice Chair- Keith Lewis , Secretary- Linda McDonald, Treasurer- Mary Newbould

#### 5. **Statement of accounts**

Mary presented the Accounts and Balance sheet for 2018/19 which had been examined by Calum Osborne.

Funds at 01/04/2018: £19,424.21

Income: £12,471.50 Expenditure: £16,303.69

Carried Forward £15,592.02 Balance at 31/03/2019

The breakdown of Income and Expenditure was shown on the Balance Sheet (BS).

Mary reported that the following considerations should be taken into account when reviewing the BS:

- The accounts are in a positive position, despite expenditure exceeding income for this financial year, and a deficit in funds of £3832.19 over the 12month period.
- INCOME: Increased income over the previous financial year is largely due to the fact that the annual payment from Wetherhill Windfarm is linked to inflation so increased from £6,877.57 to £9,719.07. Also the festive feast cash income from FY 2017/18 was banked in this FY.
- EXPENDITURE: Expenditure is higher than previous year by £9,703.59. Major expenses include:
  - Payment to Tynron Hall to partially cover the cost of the audio visual equipment from ANCBC funding as agreed in 2017/18 £1,864.73
  - First payment to KPT JCBF 66% of previous FY total windfarm income (£8,877.57) less £100 previously paid £5,759.19
  - Payment to Tynron Parish Hall Committee 50% of Wetherhill Windfarm payment as per original contract between Wetherhill Windfarm suppliers and TCC/TPHC £4,859.53 (TOTAL £10,618.72)
- RESERVED FUNDING: It should be noted that 66% of future Windfarm Income, reserved for
  payment to the KPTJCBF will only include 50% of the Wetherhill Funding as 50% of this fund will
  be deposited in Tynron Parish Hall Committee bank account within 10 working days of receipt as
  per the above mentioned agreement.
- Reserved funding for payment to KPTJCBF for FY 2019/20 equals £4526.63 5.
- ANCBC Grant: Each year we apply for a £2000 revenue grant from ANCBC (Annandale & Nithsdale Community Benefit Company formed to distribute Harestanes Windfarm benefit funding). This funding has a restricted spend and can be used to award small local grants. It is awarded in September based on our satisfactory completed return for the previous years' spend. It is a stipulation of the grant that the income and expenditure is shown separately on the Balance Sheet.

- This FY we awarded the following grants:
  - Red Squirrel Group £150.00
  - Joseph Thompson Group £200.00
  - The residual funding was awarded towards the upkeep of our hall to allow community groups, charities and not-for-profit organisations the benefit of affordable rental. £1,650.00
- Our other major expense is funding of community events. This includes:
  - Community Summer Event £107.55
  - Festive Feast Income from diners £140.00.

Expenses food & beverages £440.28

Cost to TCC £300.28

- Carols & Christmas lights £40.88
- General refreshments & tablewear £85.54 Total £534.25

Accounts were approved Proposed George, Seconded Keith

## 6. Appointment of Independent Examiner of Accounts

Mary to ask Calum Osborne whether he would examine accounts next year. It was decided that the Examiner of Accounts should be given a bottle of wine in thanks.

#### 7. Any other competent business

- a) Resignation of councillor Jackie Buckham had resigned from the Council due to personal commitments. Councillors thanked her for her hard work and input. They hoped that she might consider standing again at some time in the future.
- b) TCC representative on Troston Loch Consultation Group It was agreed that Sue Hall and George would represent Tynron.
- c) Church George reported that the Church would be re-roofed due to nail sickness, the bell tower is being repaired and it will be painted. The Council is aware of the gravestones which are falling over.

**NEXT ORDINARY MEETING MONDAY 27 TH MAY 2019 7.30PM**