

**MINUTES OF THE 41st ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY COUNCIL OF THE ROYAL BURGH OF TAIN
HELD ON 28th MAY 2018 AT THE ST DUTHUS HOTEL, TAIN**

Present: Mr Macdonald (Chair) Mr Amos (Vice Chair)
Mr MacIvor Mr Mohan
Mrs Mackenzie Ms Mackenzie
Mr Munro

Mr Louden – Highland Councillor

1. APOLOGIES – Mr McAllister

2. APPROVAL OF 40th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD ON 29th MAY 2017

The Minutes of 29th May 2017 were approved by Mr Amos and seconded by Mrs Mackenzie.

3. MATTERS ARISING – none.

4. CHAIR'S REPORT

4.1 Mr Macdonald reported that 2017/18 once again saw the Community Council (CC) actively involved in promoting the interests of the town and its residents. The community events included attending Remembrance Sunday service, the switch on of the Christmas lights, and the Senior Citizen's party (better attended due to afternoon timing) – Mr Macdonald thanked all the volunteers that made these events possible. The biggest proposal is the 3-18 campus – planning permission cisted. CC held a consultation event with Tain Civic Trust to help the public understand the sites. Stakeholders Group decided they were the sole representatives of the community consultation. HC held own consultation event. Most folk in favour of Craighill site, although recent Committee report still have the TRA in, which could cause confusion. Neil Munro thanked Mr Macdonald for his persistence in pursuing the best for Tain for the campus. The pressure on Beatrice Windfarm Company paid off and Tain is now included for funing – thanks to Jamie Stone MSP for assistance. Planning – no trouble supporting local planning applications. The appeal supported by the CC for Rob Parkes was successfully upheld. Still pursuing repairs in the Cemetery and the Old Cemetery. The Mussel boat has been sold and the money ringfenced to Common Good Money – still trying to clarify about the licence as it could be a money spinner. Tain Development Trust secured £3,600 from Beinn Tharsuinn Windfarm Company. HIE are going to matchfund and the aim is to open up the community hub by July. Common Good Fund – no funding given out. Thanks to Derek Louden Councillor, Caroline Mackenzie as Treasurer, David McAllister for the website, and Liz Mackay for the minutes, as well as all CC members as local knowledge was vital.

5. TREASURER'S REPORT

5.1 It was reported that the yearly accounts were audited by and commented on by Ms Emma Johnston, and were circulated. It was noted that the annual grant has been greatly reduced.

6. APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS – YEAR TO 31 MARCH 2018

6.1 Mr Munro proposed the accounts, seconded by Mr Amos.

7. APPOINTMENT OF AUDITOR FOR 2018/2019

7.1 Emma Johnson was proposed as Auditor for 2018/2019 by Mrs Mackenzie, seconded by Mr Amos.

8. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

8.1 Appointment of Office Bearers : Mr Louden took the Chair at this point. Mr Amos proposed Mr Macdonald as Chair, seconded by Mrs Mackenzie. As no other nominations were received Mr Macdonald was appointed as Chair. Mr Macdonald took the Chair at this point. Mrs Mackenzie proposed Mr Amos as Vice-Chair, seconded by Mr Macivor. As no other nominations were received, Mr Amos was appointed as Vice-Chair. No nominations for Treasurer were received and will be discussed at next month's CC meeting. Mr Amos proposed Mrs Mackay as Minute Secretary, seconded by Mrs Mackenzie. As no other nominations were received, Mrs Mackay was appointed as Minute Secretary.