

~~Draft~~ **Minutes of Garve & District Community Council
Annual General Meeting held 7th June 2016 in Garve Village Hall**

Present: Kenny MacLean (Chairman), Jennifer Haslam (Secretary), Eliza Leslie Melville (Treasurer), Bob Moir, Caroline Gamble, Sue Tarr (Minute Sec); Cllr Ian Cockburn; Grant Folley (EDF); Val MacIver (Platform PR); 3 members of public.

The Chairman opened the meeting at 7pm and welcomed everyone. Amanda Bryan and Jo Ellen were thanked for the Community Needs Consultation in Garve Hall; they will also be in Achnasheen Hall on Thurs afternoon.

Apologies: PC Craig Rose, Jamie McJimpsey.

Declarations of Interest: none.

Approval of minutes of AGM held 2nd June 2015: Proposed by Eliza Leslie Melville, seconded by Jennifer Haslam.

Matters Arising: none.

Chairman's Report: This is my eighth Chairman's report for the G&DCC and as ever, there has been plenty going on over the last twelve months. Our second Garden Produce Show was held in Sept 2015 with a fair turnout on the day despite the rain. The day raised £220. This year's show will be held on Saturday 10 Sept 2016 – all welcome!

Last year's over 60's dinner was held in late Oct 2015, to avoid clashing with the CC elections and was attended by 36 out of a possible 90 people at the Aultguish Inn. The various donations from individuals, local businesses and local groups were very much appreciated.

CC elections, run as ever by the HC, are held every four years and in Nov 2015 we saw both Jean Bailey and Jean Hollingdale retire from the Community Council. We thank them for their help and support over the years and we welcomed Caroline Gamble to our group.

EDF energy has, since purchasing the Corriemoillie windfarm from E-on, been regular attendees of the CC meetings. We have very much appreciated the construction updates and hearing about their community benefit plans. The community liaison group, a condition of planning consent, has complimented the CC meetings very nicely.

Improving Broadband has been a running theme throughout the years and the community broadband survey conducted in June 2015 really helped to show what level of service each area within the community was actually getting. The CC has welcomed the work that has been done on the Garve exchange and we hope the improved service can benefit more households soon.

The winter months were dominated by the work on the community needs survey. Following presentations by different groups, Aigas Associates were selected by the CC members as the winning bidder.

Our website - www.community-council.org.uk/garveanddistrict continues to be well used since it was first launched in Mar 2013, receiving around 150 visitors per month. The CC website was refreshed in early 2016 and minutes from the last three years are now available to view or download.

The CC has considered seven scoping reports, thirteen consultation documents, four building warrant and twenty-three planning applications since the last AGM.

Another topic that is a regular one not just over the last twelve months but over many years has been the road network. The various road issues have included speeding, roadside fences, fly tipping, traffic lights, landslides, damaged crash barriers, white lines, the Gorstan junction, abandoned road cones, bridge inspections, flooding, blocked culverts, potholes, grit bins, the Garve level crossing, ragwort and grass verge cutting and of course gritting. With having a trunk road as well as HC roads in our area, we have a lot of liaising to do with different people and organizations. I'm sure roads will continue to be a regular topic of our discussions.

We have also addressed a number of other issues since our last AGM including the Garve bus shelters, affordable homes, the ending of the LEO scheme, proposed hydro schemes in the Garbat and Strathvaich areas, sewage, the proposed Carn Gorm windfarm, police patrols, wheelie bins, overgrown bushes and trees, the new SSE Beaully-Mossford power line costing £53M and the new power line from Grudie-Kinlochewe, the Garve recycle bins and fence, Benches, the "leaning tower of Garve", Data protection laws, community empowerment act, community population growth from 329 – 348, the crane and ongoing works at the Lochluichart windfarm, Post Office services and Postboxes, saving the number 61 bus service, bank accounts and their signatories, Highland wide local development plan and more recently the proposed west plan, core paths, A890 improvements and the

ongoing problems with the Stromeferry bypass, the future of the Achnasheen & Garve News and Views, HC quality awards, a loose Raccoon, HC budget cuts to services and to the CC itself, CC training courses, train passenger growth within the CC area, arc lighting, Wester Ross biosphere project, bin lorries and social media opportunities for CCs.

All the issues have been discussed at twelve ordinary meetings and three special meetings held since the last AGM plus a Broadband working group meeting, a steering group meeting for the Community needs survey and a meeting with Lochluichart Community Trust representatives. These meetings, which have lasted nearly forty hours, have been well attended by the members of the CC, representatives from different companies, agencies, organizations and the public.

Our posters and flyers have been another way along with the minutes in the AGNV that help to keep everyone in the CC area up to date with the CC's discussions, decisions and our fundraising events. My thanks to the various outlets in the CC area. Their assistance really helps us to get the information out into the community.

I have attended various meetings in the last twelve months and I have kept in touch with the School and Church. All this has been reported back to CC members in Chairman's Comments.

I would like to thank all the CC members for the continuing support they give me and may I thank them on behalf of the Community for all the hard work they do as CC members.

We must thank Jennifer Haslam, who oversees any catering requirements the CC may have as well as the Secretarial duties. We must also thank Eliza Leslie Melville who, as Madam Treasurer oversees our accounts. We must also thank Sue Tarr for the work she does for us by producing posters, flyers 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 the Garve and Achnasheen Village Hall committees for being so helpful to the CC 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 CC.

Treasurer's Report:

The annual accounts were presented. Adoption of the accounts was proposed by Sue Tarr and seconded by Kenny MacLean. The HC annual grant will be released to G&DCC on submission of the accounts.

Election of Office Bearers: nominations for office bearers were,
Secretary – Jennifer Haslam
Minute Secretary – Sue Tarr
Treasurer – Eliza Leslie Melville
Chairman – Kenny MacLean

All nominations were proposed by Bob Moir and seconded by Caroline Gamble and accepted.

It was also agreed that Kenny MacLean deal with press enquiries and the website; Sue Tarr continue as EDF liaison group representative; Jennifer Haslam deal with catering.

Dates of meetings for coming year: Kenny Maclean proposed that meetings be held on the first Tues of each month, alternating between Garve Village Hall and Achnasheen Village Hall; with the exception of Jan 2017 which should be moved to 10th Jan. Hall bookings to be confirmed. Seconded by Jennifer Haslam; all agreed.

AOB: none.

Date of next meeting: 6th June 2017 7pm in Garve Village Hall.

Meeting closed 7.30pm

GARVE AND DISTRICT COMMUNITY COUNCIL

**Income and Expenditure Account
Year Ended 31st March 2016**

Prepared by the C.C. Treasurer
Lady Eliza Leslie Melville
Lochluichart
By Garve

GARVE AND DISTRICT COMMUNITY COUNCIL

ACCOUNTS FOR YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2016

In accordance with your instructions I have compiled the accounts for Garve and Achmasheen Community Council from the accounting records and information submitted to me.

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RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT for Year ended 31 March 2016

	2016		2015	
INCOME	£	£	£	£
Highland Council Grant	<u>971.87</u>	971.87	<u>971.88</u>	971.88
Donations				
Total S. Citizens Dinner Donations	200.00		50.00	
Total Garden Produce Show Donations	120.00		-	
Total Donations Community Fund	<u>470.00</u>	790.00	<u>-</u>	50.00
Other Income				
R.C.O.P Event	-		150.00	
Garden Produce Show	190.79		278.87	
Lochluichart Community Trust	1,200.00		1,000.00	
H.I.E. Broadband Survey	<u>274.00</u>	1,664.79	<u>-</u>	1,428.87
TOTAL INCOME		<u>3,426.66</u>		<u>2,450.75</u>
EXPENDITURE				
H. Council P. Liability Insurance	88.74		88.13	
Secretary's Fees	250.00		250.00	
Minute Secretary's Fees	-		250.00	
Meetings Expenses - Halls etc	351.00		205.50	
Administration Costs	50.25		43.50	
Accountants Fees	-		100.00	
Chairman's Expenses	<u>-</u>	739.99	<u>48.50</u>	985.63
Community Events Costs				
S. Citizens Christmas Dinner/Tokens/Gifts	1,353.95		1,357.94	
Broadband Survey Costs	274.80		-	
R.C.O.P. Event Expenses	-		92.18	
Garden Produce Show Event	<u>119.62</u>	1,748.37	<u>64.97</u>	1,515.09
Transfer of Funds Held to Friends of Garve Memorial				
	-		<u>140.86</u>	140.86
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		£ 2,488.36		£ 2,641.58
Surplus/Deficit for the Year		938.30	-	190.83
Balance b/forward 2014/15		<u>1,740.25</u>		<u>1,931.08</u>
BALANCE CARRIED FORWARD 2015/16		<u>£ 2,678.55</u>		<u>£ 1,740.25</u>

GARVE AND DISTRICT COMMUNITY COUNCIL**Breakdown of Sub-Accounts 2015-2016 for the Communities Information****Senior Citizens Breakdown****Income**

Donations	200.00	
Lochluchart Community Trust	1,200.00	1,400.00

Expenditure

Aultguish Hotel - Dinner	919.45	
S/Citizen Dinner - Other Costs	206.50	
Tesco - Gift Tokens	228.00	1,353.95
Surplus		£ 46.05

B/fwd 1st April, 2015		645.72
Surplus 2015/16		46.05
Balance as at 31 March 2016	£	691.77

Garve Bench Account

Donations	100.00	£ 100.00
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B/fwd 1st April, 2015		100.00
Addition 2015/16		100.00
Balance as at 31 March 2016	£	200.00

Community Fund

Proceeds Garden Produce Show	191.17	
Donations	370.00	561.17

B/fwd 1st April 2015		1,008.28
Addition 2015/16	£	561.17
Balance as at 31 March 2016	£	1,569.45

Treasurers Account Breakdown**Income**

Highland Council Grant	971.87	971.87
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Expenditure

P. Liability Insurance	88.74	
Secretaries Fees to 31/03/16	250.00	
Administration Costs	51.05	
Hall Rental	351.00	
Auditor Fees 2015/16	-	740.79
Surplus		£ 231.08

B/fwd 1st April 2015 - Deficit		-13.75
Surplus		231.08
Balance as at 31 March 2016	£	217.33

WYCOMBE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Sub-Accounts 2015-2016 for the Communities Information

Residents Account C/fwd to 1 April 2016	691.77
Insurers Account C/fwd to 1 April 2016	217.33
Community Fund C/fwd to 1 April 2016	1,569.45
Carve Bench Account C/fwd to 1 April 2016	200.00
Total Balance of Bank Account	<u><u>£ 2,678.55</u></u>