

Minute of the Beauly Community Council
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
held in Phipps Hall on Sunday, 23rd June, 2013, at 7.00pm

Present: C.Council: Tony Boyland, Belle Maxwell, Jane Campbell Rosie MacDonald,
Seona Fraser, James Campbell
HC Members: Cllrs Helen Carmichael and Hamish Wood

Apologies: Cllrs Margaret Davidson and Drew Hendry, Maratena Coleman,
Jim Stewart

1. **Minute of Previous Meeting**

The minute of the previous AGM held on 25th June, 2012, was read and approved. Proposed by Rosie MacDonald and seconded by Jane Campbell.

2. **Matters Arising from Previous Minute** - None

3. **Chair Report**

This report cannot do justice to the work done by the Beauly Community Council team over the last year. It is therefore just a snapshot of some of the higher profile projects we are involved in.

Play Park I single out the Community Development sub-committee and team leader Jane Campbell for special thanks. They have trawled through loads of bureaucracy, endless forms filling and sourcing funds for over a year & half to give the village a fantastic £88,000 play park. It is easy for me to say “it’s been well worth it” because it is proving to be such a popular facility, but then I didn’t do that much whilst they worked their socks off making it happen.

House of Beauly. Thankfully Highland Council rejected a planning application to demolish the House of Beauly and erect more houses. As well as our (CC) letter of objection, many local people also sent individual letters of objections. A local petition was also submitted. It’s been a year since the House of Beauly was closed but we now know it is going to a Co-op store. It’s not what everyone wanted, but hopefully it will not remain derelict for much longer as the Co-op are now in the process of submitting planning applications for hopefully only minor changes.

Station Car Park. The Station Car Park is another success story notched up by our local Councillors with the full support of our Community Council. The car park is nearly full during the working week which demonstrates just how popular it really is, so we must ensure Scot Rail make it a permanent car park before the Kessock Bridge work is completed.

Village Plan and the Inner Moray Firth Local Development Plan. At our previous AGM in 2012 I mentioned the Highland Council’s ‘Inner Moray Firth Local Development Plan’ that we duly submitted our comments about. One year on, it is still in a draft state and yet another discussion document is due to be released this August, for further comment. It begs the question, why does it take so long?

Similarly, in January this year, we submitted some ideas to Highland Council to address street parking and pedestrian safety issues, hopefully as a foundation to an overall Village Plan. Nothing has been forthcoming from Highland Council to date so this is also something we will need to chase up very soon.

Lovat Monument & Other Memorials Another project we recently started is to organise the restoration and repair of the Lovat Scouts Memorial. This may cost around £8000, possibly more.

James Campbell has submitted a preliminary application for funding to the War Memorials Trust and we await their reply. Graham Halliday, the Manager of the Co-op in Beauly, is also organising a fundraising campaign for the Memorial, involving Beauly school children in designing posters, after they return from the summer break.

Jim Stewart is arranging to get an information plaque for the Mercat Cross in the square which is one of the oldest surviving in Scotland, circa 1430; And If we have funds available, we should also see what can be done to clean-up and repair the Allied Forces Memorial fountain as well.

Membership & Thanks. We really need to connect more with young people and find a way to motivate people to be more involved in the community, or, even better, with this Community need is ideas on how we can achieve this!

Lastly I mentioned Jane Campbell & her Team earlier, but I also wish to thank our Treasurer Seona Fraser for managing our finances and keeping us legal with Highland Council, our Secretary Belle Maxwell for keeping us informed and providing us with excellent minutes, our Vice Chair, Rose MacDonald who keeps me in-line at the meetings, and to every member for their enduring dedication. Finally my thanks to our four local Councillors for their support, advice and for representing our interests with Highland Council. Not forgetting their generous donations from their ward discretionary budgets towards some of our local projects.

Together, as a team, I believe will give Beauly the best community support possible and help make Beauly the absolutely best place to grow-up and live in the Highlands.

4. **Treasurer's Report**

The Treasurer submitted the accounts for the past year, which were self-explanatory, a copy of which is attached to this minute.

5. **Election of Office Bearers**

The office bearers stood down en masse and Cllr Helen Carmichael took the Chair. She asked if they were willing to stand again. They all agreed and were duly re-elected. Proposed by James Campbell and seconded by Jane Campbell.

Chair:	Tony Boyland
Vice-Chair:	Rosie MacDonald
Treasurer:	Seona Fraser
Secretary:	Belle Maxwell

The rest of the Community Council consists of James Campbell, Jane Campbell, Jim Stewart, Maratena Coleman. Proposed by Tony Boyland and seconded by Belle Maxwell.

6. **Any Other Business** - None

7. **Date of Next Meeting**

Monday, 30th June, 2014, in Phipps Hall at 7.00pm.

Proposed by Seconded by

BEAULY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Receipts and Payments Account for the year ended 31/03/13

	31/03/2013	31/03/2012
INCOME		
<u>Grants</u>		
Highland Council - Admin Grant	1,085	1,030
Highland Council - Beauly Core Project	7,500	
	<u>8,585</u>	
<u>Other Income</u>		
Donations	20	
Legacy	2,183	
Bank Account Interest	65	94
	<u>2,268</u>	<u>94</u>
TOTAL INCOME	<u><u>10,852</u></u>	<u><u>1,124</u></u>
EXPENDITURE		
<u>Highland Council Grant</u>		
Secretary's Fees	250	250
	<u>250</u>	
<u>Community Events</u>		
Beauly Gala bunting		353
Xmas Tree lighting	253	243
	<u>253</u>	<u>243</u>
<u>Donations</u>		
Braeview Development		7,000
	<u>-</u>	<u>7,000</u>
<u>Maintenance Work</u>		
Notice Board		414
Village sign		50
Grass cutting Crec		150
Skip Hire	335	
Mark	300	
Benches	588	
War Memorial	100	100
	<u>1,323</u>	<u>100</u>
<u>Capital Expenditure</u>		
Benches	1,376	
Computer & Printers	685	
	<u>2,061</u>	
<u>Administration</u>		
Data Protection Fee	35	35
Printing Beauly News	300	350
Presentation & Gifts	98	121
	<u>433</u>	<u>121</u>
	<u><u>4,320</u></u>	<u><u>9,366</u></u>
SURPLUS/DEFICIT FOR YEAR	6,532	- 8,242
Add: BALANCE B/FWB	23,849	32,090
BALANCE CARRIED F/WD	30,381	23,848

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Balance Sheet as at 31st March 2013

	31/03/2013	31/03/2012
Fixed Assets		
Tangible Assets - Computer	1,135	685
Intangible Assets - Stocks	536	563
	<u>1,671</u>	<u>1,248</u>
Current Assets		
Bank - General Account	- 67	- 379
Bank - Councillor's Account	8,269	1,104
Bank - No 2 Account	16,553	17,448
Bank - Children's Hall Account	3,168	3,131
Bank - Loyal Scout Account	2,458	2,545
	<u>30,381</u>	<u>23,849</u>
NET ASSETS	<u><u>32,052</u></u>	<u><u>25,097</u></u>
REPRESENTED BY:		
<u>Capital Valuation Account</u>	1,671	1,248
<u>Revenue Reserves</u>		
Balance at 01/04/2012	23,849	32,090
Surplus for the year	6,532	- 8,241
Balance at 31/03/2013	<u>30,381</u>	<u>23,849</u>
TOTAL FUNDING	<u><u>32,052</u></u>	<u><u>25,097</u></u>

Independent Examiners Certificate

I hereby certify that the Accounts to the 31/03/13 are an accurate summary of the underlying book and records of the Beaulby Community Council

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