**STRATHGLASS COMMUNITY COUNCIL (SCC**)

**Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on Wednesday 20th June 2017 at 7:30 pm in Cannich Village Hall**

**Present:** Nigel Ellis (Chair), Ian Campbell, Alan Hood, Paul Stirling, Annette Sutherland

**Apologies:** Brad Collins and Kay Graham.

**In Attendance:** Sgt Julie Connor (Beauly Police Office), Carol Masheter (Soirbheas) and two members of the public.

1. Nigel Ellis took the Chair, noted that enough Community Councillors were present for a quorum, welcomed all those in attendance and declared the meeting open. It was noted in the Agenda for this meeting that the minutes of the 2017 AGM had previously been approved and that there had been no matters arising.
2. Chairperson’s Report for the Year Ended March 31 2018: Mr Ellis presented his report which is attached as part of these minutes.
3. Accounts for the Year Ended March 31 2018: The draft Accounts had been approved by the Community Council at its meeting on May 92017 but a small (£18.00) error had subsequently been noted during the independent examination of the Accounts. This had been corrected and the revised draft Accounts had been circulated and approved by a majority of the Community Councillors by e-mail. The revised Accounts had been signed by the Secretary and by the Independent Examiner on June 19 2018. It was proposed, seconded and unanimously agreed that the Accounts be adopted and the Secretary was asked to send a copy to The Highland Council.
4. Election of Officers: Mr Ellis noted that the incumbent officers had all declared themselves to be available for reselection and that any other nominations would be considered. No other nominations were forthcoming and the re-appointments of Nigel Ellis as Chair, Ian Campbell as Secretary and Alan Hood as Treasurer were proposed, seconded and unanimously approved.

There being no other business Mr Ellis declared the meeting closed at 7:40 pm.

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Chair

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**Chairman’s Report**

Last year, from April 2017 – March 2018, we had planned nine Community Council meetings and I am pleased to report that all were quorate and took place as scheduled.

At these meetings, we continued to receive regular updates from representatives of Police Scotland, Soirbheas and SACC. During the year, we have also had briefings from representatives of the Scottish Ambulance Service, Strathglass Development Fund and Forestry Commission Scotland.

Community Councillors have attended various events and meetings including those organised by the Highland Council, deer management groups and the Glen Affric Community Partnership.

The Community Council has formally responded to consultation requests from HM Fire Service Inspectorate and individual councillors have responded to the Highland Council’s Local Improvement Plan for Highland.

Members of the Community Council have continued to meet regularly with representatives of Soirbheas and Glen Urquhart Community Council to discuss matters of mutual interest.

A further reduced financial settlement from the Highland Council for the year 2017/18 has made it increasingly difficult for the Community Council to donate funds to local projects and activities that have hitherto enjoyed Community Council support. However, we were able to agree small donations for the Children’s Xmas Disco and SACC’s newsletter.

Bearing in mind the aforesaid financial constraints, it was particularly pleasing to be awarded a grant from the “Your Cash, Your Choice” fund to enable the rewiring of the relocated Cannich public access defibrillator and the replacement batteries and pads that all our PADs will require later in 2018. A significant donation was received from Gumshoe Productions, who had been filming in various Glen Affric locations, for the benefit of the local community. The Community Council agreed to re-distribute these funds for the benefit of Cannich Hall, the Recreation Playing Field Committee, the 2018 Cannich Bonfire, the Senior Citizens’ Xmas Lunch and the 2018 Children’s Xmas Party.

In closing, I would like to thank my fellow Community Councillors for all their contributions and our Ward Councillors for their continued support. I also take this opportunity to thank all the other members of the community who contribute in so many different ways to the wellbeing of our neighbourhood.

Nigel Ellis

Chairman, Strathglass Community Council

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