



***Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on  
9<sup>th</sup> May 2012***

**I. Present**

C. Roy, J. Skabara, S. Kinnear, M. Duckworth, J. Hulme, J. Pearson,  
P. Campbell p.p. Stirling Council.

**II. Apologies**

PC McNally, R. Garvie.

**III. Approval of minutes from last AGM**

The minutes from the AGM of May 2011 were approved and signed by the Chairman.  
A signed copy was handed to P. Campbell.

**IV. Chairperson's Report**

Read out by the Chairperson.  
Attached.

**V. Secretary's Report**

Read out by the previous secretary; J. Skabara.  
Attached.

**VI. Treasurer's Report**

The new bank account with the Cooperative Bank is now open and the treasurer reported on the efficiency with which it had been opened by the new bank. The Youth Club Account has been closed and money will be available for use via the Sports Club for children in the village. Total balance in the main account, including the Youth Club money is £3878.49. Accounts to the year to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2012 – approved by Margaret Strang.

**VIII. Election of Office Bearers**

Chairperson asked if anyone wished to step down or if there was any new nomination and neither was the case.

J. Skabara proposed no change to the current committee. Seconded M. Duckworth.

**IX. A.O.B**

Chairperson announced that she intended stepping down next year. With elections due in 2013 – advertisements will be posted for new members, but it is advisable to seek willing members before then.

**X. Date of next meeting**

To coincide with the meeting which will be arranged for May 2013.

Vote of thanks to the chair.

## Chairperson's Report 2011 – 2012

I would firstly like to thank my fellow Councillors for their hard work and team spirit and to make special mention of Secretaries Jo Skabara and Janet Hulme, whose collaboration ensured a smooth transition, and Treasurer Sandra Kinnear, whose valiant struggle with the bank account has been successful. We have also continued to have valuable support from Community Police Officer David McNally, Community Council Officer Helen Geddes, and our three local Stirling Councillors.

We actively maintain links with Fintry Sports and Recreation Club, Fintry Development Trust, and Fintry Focus, and regularly attend meetings of the South West Rural Forum and South West Stirlingshire Joint Paths Group. Together with full use of our noticeboards (for example for provision of letters for the Demand Responsive Transport prescription service), and our website, I trust we achieve good awareness and efficient working of our Council for the benefit of residents.

We have continued to discuss and respond to consultations and questionnaires (passing on where appropriate e.g to SC tenants and licensed premises): Stirling motto, Bin collection, 'Reform Scotland', Mapping Survey for Balfron Learning Community, SRHA Allocation Policy Review, and the Draft Local Development Plan. Vice Chairman Jamie Pearson has prepared a survey for delivery to residents concerning the issues of DRT provision, digital TV reception, and the siting of the post box.

Matters successfully resolved were: all the village benches have been beautifully restored by means of the Criminal Justice Department's Community Service Order scheme; the appointment of a Principal Teacher at the Primary School; a visit by Tony Cain to check out a possible site for housing development; the receipt of snow shovels and Hi Viz vests in connection with our Severe Weather Plan; development of a Fintry Directory; a considerable amount of pavement repair, attention to drains, potholes and litter; financial support from the Community Pride Fund for the Spout Burn Bridge repair and access improvement at the Sports Club. We regret the loss of a Village Officer and of grass cutting of the Main Street verges, and await the review of Speed limits, attention to the recognised sewage pipe infiltration problems, and the poor state of the telephone box.

We are currently co-operating with plans for celebrating the Queen's Diamond Jubilee and will be giving due attention to the next stage of the Local Development Plan.