BAILIES OF BENNACHIE 2020 AGM MINUTES DRAFT 1

WELCOME

The meeting was held online by zoom on 29 June 2020 from 7.30pm and was chaired by Jackie Cumberbirch, who welcomed members and friends to the meeting as per the appended participant list. The peak number of participants registered by zoom was 28 (but some with partners sharing a connection). Jackie explained that the AGM had been planned for 19 Mar 2020 but this was cancelled because of the covid-19 pandemic. The decision to hold the AGM by zoom was taken following advice from OSCR to ensure administrative continuity.

APOLOGIES

Harry Leil, Rosemary Sievewright.

MINUTES OF 2019 AGM

The minutes of the previous AGM, held on 21 Mar 2019, were adopted unopposed.

ACCOUNTS FOR 2019

Brian Cornock (Bailies treasurer) asked if there were any queries about the 2019 accounts which had been submitted to OSCR and are available for the public to see on OSCR's website. The figures highlighted in the annual report to members (and as further explained in a ppt pack distributed online before this AGM) were an income of £22,668 and an expenditure of £32,107, with the balance of £9439 coming from reserves. At year end 31 Dec 2019, the reserves were £134,801. No questions were raised.

CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT FOR 2019

Jackie Cumberbirch (Senior Bailie and chairperson), explained that a detailed annual report for 2019 had been sent to members prior to the meeting. She mentioned the following items in particular.

- # Part-time Development Officer started
- # New web site launched
- # Bennachie Bosie over 400 people involved in bosie and £3780 raised
- # New Bennachie Landscapes Group Book vol 4 launched
- # Over 400 volunteer hours working on the hill in work parties
- # Archaeology digs: Druminnor, Bede House and Mither Tap
- # Over 200 new members
- # Wildlife cameras busy recording
- # Walk to memorial cairn
- # Involved with "Across the Grain" festival
- # Cleaning Rowantree toilets!

Finally, Jackie thanked the trustees and members of the Landscapes Group and Wildlife Group for their work throughout the year.

ELECTION OF TRUSTEES

As required in the Constitution, the 12 incumbent trustees, Ann Baillie, Brian Cornock, Jackie Cumberbirch, Margaret Garden, Angela Groat, Harry Leil, William Linklater, Dave Peter, Rosemary Sievewright, Donna Taylor, Sue Taylor and Andrew Wainwright, stood down.

Harry Leil, Rosemary Sievewright and Sue Taylor had intimated they did not wish to offer themselves for re-election and Jackie thanked them for their hard work for the Bailies over the years.

The remaining 9 trustees offered themselves for re-election for a further annual term and were re-elected unopposed.

A call was made for new trustees and the following 5 meeting participants put their names forward and were elected unopposed: John Bain, Alex Doig, Michael McGhie, Daniel Montgomery and Peter Stock.

This lead to a total of 14 trustees for the 2020/2021 term, ie until the next AGM (normally held around the time of the Spring equinox in late March).

Jackie explained that the appointment of roles for the new team of 14 trustees would be decided at the first post-AGM meeting of the trustees, expected to be held by zoom on 13 July 2020.

AOB

No items were raised and the meeting closed at 8:11pm.

PARTICIPANTS

Ann Baillie, John Bain, Lynda Bain, Lorna Bell, Ian Benzie, Rod Campbell, Fiona Cormack, Brian Cornock, Jackie Cumberbirch, Alex Doig, Barry Foster, Chris Foster, Margaret Garden, Angela Groat, Alison Kennedy, Willie Linklater, Michael McGhie, Stewart McIntyre (non-member), Colin Miller, Daniel Montgomery, Dave Peter, Anne Reid, George Reidford, Jim Rose, Peter Stock, Donna Taylor, Mick Taylor, Sue Taylor, Dave Valentine, Andrew Wainwright, Jo Whyte.