

BRORA COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Annual General Meeting

Tuesday 22 September 2020

Conducted via online platform - Zoom

1. Chair Welcome

Russell Rekhy welcomed all those present to the 2020 AGM of Brora Community Council, which due to Covid-19 restrictions, is being held via Zoom.

2. Attendance Sheet

Russell Rekhy, Sandy Crawford, Ruwan Uduwera-Perera, Margaret Mackintosh, David Andrews. Louise Mackay (minute secretary).

3. Apologies

Diana Royce, Cllr Deirdre Mackay.

4. Adopt draft minutes of the 2019 AGM

These were adopted as correct on the proposal of Sandy Crawford and seconded by Russell Rekhy.

5. Chairman's Annual Report

2019 was another busy year for Brora Community Council but we face major challenges with budget cuts announced by Highland Council

We continue to engage with all the relevant agencies, including, Police Scotland, Highland Council, windfarms, its trustees, and local groups.

Some of the projects which Brora Community Council were involved with were:

Poppy Collection- BCC recognises all the hard work of the volunteers who tirelessly each year help to fundraise and raise the profile of our Poppy collection, which is organised by Jim and Kathleen Cunningham.

Remembrance Sunday –This year's Parade with Lord Lieutenant, Dr. Monica Main in attendance had the added attraction of seeing the veterans who marched with the parade to our war memorial. A very well organised event by Lee Bright and Kathleen Cunningham

Clydesdale Bank- BCC were involved in trying to find a solution to retain our community bank. However, the bank closed in 2019.

Bus Shelter- Replacement bus shelter replaced the damaged bus shelter.

BCC supported various community groups through the two windfarm micro grants and have had numerous guest speakers.

Finally, I must thank our minute secretary Jennifer Wilson, Councilor Mackay and the other community council members for all their hard work and continued support.

6. Treasurer's Annual Report

Copies of the Community Council's accounts were circulated to members and all present agreed to accept the accounts as presented. Russell thanked Margaret Mackintosh for compiling the accounts so well.

7. Adopt examined accounts year ending 31 March 2020

It was suggested and agreed that Russell approach Mr Ronnie Sim to audit the accounts.

8. Elect Brora Community Council office bearers, Community Council members, independent examiner.

Mr Sandy Crawford, CC secretary intimated his intention to stand down from the CC. He thanked everyone for their help over the past year. Russell, speaking for all CC members, thanked Sandy for his hard work during his time with the CC.

Russell asked Sandy to preside over the election of office bearers and CC members. Sandy proposed that the council be re-elected en bloc and this was agreed by all present. The current membership of the Brora Community stands. Mr Ruwan Uduwera-Perera agreed to accept the role of secretary. Russell suggested that Mrs Lynne Paterson be asked if she is willing to be co-opted on to the council as she has extensive experience in community development. This was agreed by all present.

9. AOCB

No further business to be discussed.

10. Date of 2021 AGM

18 May, 2021. There being no further business the meeting closed at 7.20pm