

Bothwell Community Council
Evangelical Church Hall
Main Street
Bothwell

Minutes: Inaugural /Annual General Meeting 28 October, 2014.

Independent Interim Chair. H. Mitchell Welcome and introductions.

(Using list of valid nominees received from Community Council Liaison Officer, recorded those present)

1. Present:

D.Brown J.McGuire, I Buntin , AM Cusick , AM Mulder, Nick O’Neil, E.Speedie, S.Jones, McLaughlin,

2. Apologies: None

3. Appointment of Chairperson

Interim Chair. H.Mitchell asked for Nominations for the position of Chairperson.

JMcGuire proposed Nick O’Neil - D. Brown seconded the proposal..

N.O’Neil accepted the proposal and was duly elected Chairperson.

Having been appointed Chairperson, NON:

- took over from the Independent Interim Chair H.Mitchell
- thanked Interim Chair. H. Mitchell for his time and contribution to Bothwell Community Council.
- Mr. Mitchell then left the meeting 7.45pm

3.1 Position of Secretary/Minute Secretary/ Treasurer

Chair. NON then asked for Nominations for the position of Secretary &Minute Secretary, followed by Treasurer.

Secretary: D.Brown proposed J.McGuire – S.Jones seconded the proposal
J.McGuire accepted the proposal and was duly elected Secretary.

Minute Secretary: J.McGuire proposed AMCusick – D.Brown seconded the proposal.
AM. Cusick accepted the proposal and was duly elected Minute Secretary

Treasurer: JMcGuire proposed I.Buntin – D.Brown seconded the proposal
I.Buntin accepted the proposal and was duly elected Treasurer.

4. Casual Vacancies

BCC can co-opt up to ¼ of the current membership. The current membership of 9 leaves 2 vacancies to be filled by co-opted members. This item will be discussed / revisited.

5. Preparation of Constitution / Adoption of Standing Orders/ Code of Conduct.

These documents were previously circulated to the elected members of the Community Council and will be adopted, signed and submitted to CC Liaison Officer M.Armstrong who will confirm validity in writing to the CC Secretary.

Chair.NON reminded elected members that they have agreed to abide by the Code of Conduct.

6. Bank Mandate

Treasure I.Buntin to make urgent application to Bank of Scotland for a bank mandate (assisted by Sec. JMcG) to make the necessary changes to the signatories on BCC bank account and information on how to proceed on the opening , if necessary, of a separate account for the Wooddean Project.

7. Auditor

It was confirmed that all Community Council Accounts (Admin Accounts +any other) will now be audited by South Lanarkshire Council.

8. Arrangements for future meetings

(Discussed and agreed.)

Adoption of Previous AGM Minute 18 November 2013 Proposed D.Brown/Seconded S.Jones

List of dates for meetings Nov 2014 – March 2015 were distributed

Date of next AGM – 17 November 2015

9. Chair. N.O'Neil

As a newly elected Chair. Nick gave a brief resume of BCC activities over the last year as follows:

- a) Defined objectives of Bothwell Community Council
- b) Number of Meetings held since last AGM (11)
- c) Achievements over the year.
- d) Ongoing Projects

It is acknowledged that there is much work to be done by the newly formed Committee which will have a huge impact on the whole community of Bothwell:

- Ongoing projects and several proposed residential developments.
- There are also big changes in the way how people shop and live. Even now we can see big changes that are having an effect on Bothwell businesses.

However Nick is confident that Bothwell Community Council have a strong, committed team who will rise to the challenge of working in partnership with the whole community / S.L.C. to help create a sustainable vibrant village for the benefit of all residents.

He then concluded the Inaugural meeting by thanking the newly formed Committee for their confidence in electing him as Chairperson of Bothwell Community Council.

10. Chair N.O'Neil called the meeting to a close 8.15pm.

Bothwell Community Council monthly meeting then took place.