

MUCKHART COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the AGM of Muckhart Community Council held in the Coronation Hall on Wednesday 5th September 2012.

The AGM followed on from the MCC meeting held on the same evening and it commenced at 9.15 p.m.

Present: Mr Jon Jordan, Chair
Mr Danny Conroy, Vice-Chair
Mr Stuart Dean, Secretary
Mr Terry Hollis, Treasurer
Mrs Meriel Cairns
Mrs Margot McKerrell
Mr John Anderson

1. Apologies for Absence/Introductions

Apologies were received from Mr Paul Boyce, Mr Colin Mann, Cllr Kathleen Martin and Cllr Alastair Campbell.

Lesley Baillie, Community Planning Adviser for Clackmannanshire Council and 4 members of the community were in attendance.

2. Minutes of last AGM

The Minutes of the last AGM had been circulated prior to the meeting and were approved as an accurate record of the proceedings. Proposer: Terry Hollis. Secunder: Meriel Cairns.

3. Matters Arising.

There were no Matters Arising.

4. Chairman's Report

Jon Jordan gave a verbal report on the work of Muckhart Community Council during the previous year. He thanked the office bearers for their work over the past year and all members for their attendance at MCC meetings. He thanked individual members for their work on the Community Council such as that undertaken by Paul Boyce in managing the Muckhart website, and Colin Mann for securing grant monies for the Big Jubilee Lunch. He also thanked Jean Hunter for her work in organising that event.

Key developments in the last year include writing a new Constitution and Standing Orders for Muckhart Community Council. Other developments have moved slowly; for example, the Conservation Area Appraisal has still not been finalised. He commented that a certain degree of tenacity is required when dealing with such developments over a long period of time but progress is being made. The Ochils Landscape Partnership is now underway although the spend is slow. However progress is being made with the Muckhart Nature Park.

He thanked other organisations in the Muckhart area such as the Hall Committee and the Amenity Society for their work in developing a vibrant and active community.

However there will be challenges ahead with a need to be resilient in a period of recession and it will be necessary to respond positively to new developments such as the proposed Demand Responsive Transport system for Muckhart.

5. Treasurer's Report.

Terry Hollis presented the annual Treasurer's Report. Expenditure has been roughly in line with previous years but we are now in a better position financially as a result of the welcomed increase in Clackmannanshire Council's annual funding grant for MCC from £300 to £400. The Council is also now prepared to pay for the use of the Hall by MCC; this financial support avoids the Community Council continuing to be subsidised by the Hall Committee as happened in the past, something for which MCC has been very grateful.

It has also been agreed that a digital projector will be purchased jointly by the Community Council, the Hall Committee and the Amenity Society. This will make use of those MCC funds earmarked for expenditure on IT.

John Anderson proposed the acceptance of the accounts and this was seconded by Margot McKerrell. The Annual Accounts were unanimously accepted as presented. (Copy attached.)

Finally, the Treasurer thanked Ken Bibby for once again auditing the accounts. Terry Hollis holds the signed master copy.

6. MCC Meeting Dates

The first two meeting dates for the new Muckhart Community Council have been set for Wednesday 24th October 2012 and Wednesday 28th November 2012. Dates for MCC meetings in 2013 will be determined by the new Community Council.

7. AOCB

- Jean Hunter thanked the members of Muckhart Community Council for the help with applying for grants for the Big Jubilee Lunch, and wished the new Community Council all the best when it is established. The Chair in return thanked JH for her work in organising the Big Lunch. He also thanked the other societies and organisations in Muckhart for their work; they added enormous strength to the community.
- Meriel Cairns asked if the loop system in the Hall was now working and the Chair indicated that he would take up the matter with the Chair of the Hall Committee.
- Lesley Baillie, Community Planning Adviser for Clackmannanshire Council, congratulated Muckhart Community Council for all the work that it does, and on Muckhart's ability to form a new Community Council. The role of residents in that process was emphasised. She also thanked MCC for its help with developing the governance documents and systems which will underpin the establishment of new community councils in Clackmannanshire.

The Chair then brought the proceedings to a close.

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INCOME AND EXPENDITURE FOR YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2012

INCOME

Bank Balance brought forward	£1586.58	
Clackmannanshire Council Grant	400.00	

Total Income		£1986.58

EXPENDITURE

Secretary's expenses	£60.00	
DPA registration (2yrs)	70.00	
Coronation Hall Rentals	65.00	
AGM Expenses	90.01	
Remembrance Day Wreath	27.00	
Norton Antivirus for 1 year (from IT monies)	40.29	
Renewal of Website	40.88	
Donation to Coronation Hall Heating Fund	200.00	

Total Expenditure		£593.18

Bank Balance Carried Forward		£1393.40
<i>(note this includes £401.77 of residual ring fenced IT money)</i>		-----

AUDIT CERTIFICATE

I have examined the accounts of Muckhart Community Council for the year ended 31st March 2012 and, from the books and vouchers made available to me, I hereby certify that the above statement accurately reflects the financial position of the Community Council as at that date.

Ken Bibby