

Crieff Community Trust

Minutes of the first Annual General Meeting of the Crieff Community Trust (CCT), held at Strathearn Community Campus on Tuesday 29th April 2014.

The Annual General Meeting commenced at 7.30pm on Tuesday 29th April 2014. The meeting was chaired by Ailsa Campbell, Chair of the CCT Board. A total of 28 individuals attended made up of 18 Full members, 5 Associate Members and 5 Guests. The quorum of 12 as required by the Articles of Association was reached, so the meeting commenced.

Ailsa Campbell welcomed everyone to the meeting. The existing board members introduced themselves and confirmed their roles within the board.

1. Report by Chair

The Chair reported on the activities of the CCT during the last year to the 31st of March 2014. Including projects where CCT are working together with Crieff Community Council (CCC) and Crieff and Upper Strathearn Partnership (CUSP). A summary was provided on the achievements and next steps for each of the actions groups. Along with details of how CCT communicate with members.

The Chair laid out key challenges facing the CCT board today and encouraged anyone to step forward, if they would like to provide support or help.

The chair thanked the existing board members, Christin Forsyth for her support and the members of each of the community groups, CUSP and CCT, for their support in this, the first year of the development trust. Thanks were also given to the local councillors and PKC councillors for their help, guidance and support over the last 12 months.

2. Annual Accounts

Copies of the Annual Report and Financial Statements were handed out at registration. The Treasurer, Harold Gillespie, provided a short summary of the financial statements, calling out key points and reported that the financial statements had been approved, examined and produced in a format required under the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) 2005. The Treasurer thanked Noel Paterson, FCCA for his support in completing the examination. The Treasurer then invited questions on the accounts; however no questions were raised.

3. Election of Directors

The Chair stated that in accordance with Paragraph 66 of the Articles of Association, all Elected Member Directors shall retire at the end of this the first Annual General Meeting and were therefore seeking re-election.

The Chair stated that the 6 Member Directors seeking re-election were Ailsa Campbell, Harold Gillespie, Dawn Griesbach, Ruth Stone, Ann Ross and Emmy Hargrave.

The Chair stated that 2 Full Members of the trust were seeking election as Member Directors; Alastair Strickland and Roger Brickell. Apologies from both Alastair Strickland and Roger Brickell, who were unable to attend, were accepted.

The Chair asked for any additional nomination for Member Directors from the floor, and none were given.

The Chair proposed to deal with the re-election of the 6 Member Directors and election of the 2 new Member Directors as one resolution. As no objection to this was raised, the resolution was put to the meeting.

The Chair asked voting Members to vote using the slips provided at registration. The Members voted in favour. No members voted against.

Resolution: Election of Directors

Ailsa Campbell, Harold Gillespie, Dawn Griesbach, Ruth Stone, Ann Ross and Emmy Hargrave are re-elected as Members Directors.

Alastair Strickland and Roger Brickell are elected as Member Directors.

4. AOB – Special Resolution: clarification of Articles

The Chair reported that since the formation of the company in March 2013, the Scottish Government has requested an amendment to paragraph 113, in the Articles of Association, to clarify the transfer of charitable property in the event of the trust winding up. Advance notice of the special resolution had been given to all members in the AGM Meeting Notice.

The Chair proposed the amendment to the meeting. As no objection to this was raised, the resolution was to put a vote.

The Chair asked voting Members to vote using the slips provided at registration. The Members voted in favour. No members voted against.

Resolution: Clarification of Articles

Paragraph 113 of the Articles of Association will be changed to;

“113. If the members do not resolve to transfer any property of the nature referred to in article 112 to a community body or bodies orcrofting community body or bodies approved by Scottish Ministers, such property shall, if not charitable, be transferred to the Scottish Ministers or, if charitable, to such Scottish Charity as the Scottish Ministers may direct.”

5. Q & A

The Chair asked for questions from the floor and Ruth Stone sought clarification whether the current communication to the community was appropriate.

Robert McFarlane commented that a point had been reached where the community were waiting to see what happens next. And that the next steps had to be taken to move forward and go further with the activities started.

The Chair thanks Robert for his input.

There being no other business, the Chair closed the meeting.