

# STRUAN COMMUNITY TRUST

## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 19<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2023

AT

Struan Primary School

7.00pm

**PRESENT: TRUSTEES** – John MacKinnon (Chairman), Alison Munro (Secretary), Donald Beaton (Treasurer) Kenny Munro, Christine MacLennan & Lynda MacCusbic

**PRESENT: COMMUNITY MEMBERS** – Geoff Semler, Peggy Semler, Marie Morrison, Alasdair Morrison, Susan MacKinnon, Alastair Streeton, Finella MacKinnon, Maggie Wilkinson & Steve Wilkinson

**APOLOGIES** – Mr Alasdair MacPhie (Vice Chair)

John MacKinnon (Chairman) opened the meeting with a welcome to all.

### 1. MINUTES

The minutes of the last AGM held on 20<sup>th</sup> June 2022 were agreed as being a true representation of the meeting were proposed by Donald Beaton, and seconded by Susan MacKinnon and were duly signed.

### 2. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT.

Mr J MacKinnon delivered his report.

Mr MacKinnon reported that there had been a good variety of applications made to the Trust in the past year. A number of the trustees met **Vattenfall** representatives who were impressed with the many different projects which secured funding. Mr MacKinnon went onto say that, Donald Beaton and himself are the two representatives for the Trust in the newly formed **CAP Group** (Community Action Plan). He reported that the group had achieved a huge amount to bring the Community Action Plan to fruition and thanked all involved.

With the potential of more wind farm money coming to the community, Mr MacKinnon said that Donald and himself were looking into the way the Trust is set up and run and taking legal and practical advice on behalf of the community as to which would be the best way forward.

Mr MacKinnon will report back to the Trustees and the Community when he has information to share. He thanked all Trustees for their input throughout the year.

Mr MacKinnon invited questions from the floor.

No questions were raised

### 3. TREASURER'S REPORT

Audited accounts to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023 had been completed, Mr Beaton went through the report, (See attached copy)

Mr Beaton also confirmed that accounts had been audited and a copy is available for the meeting to peruse. He said that this was the first year that funds granted exceeded the yearly payment from Vattenfall

The balance in the Current Account at **31<sup>st</sup> March 2022** was **£122,909.50**.

Mr Beaton invited questions from the floor.

a) **Mr A Morrison** ask how much funding had been granted since the beginning of the Trust. Mr Beaton advised that he did not have that information to hand but can find it out for him. No further questions were raised.

**Accounts** were proposed by Mr A Morrison and seconded by Mr Geoff Semler and duly signed.

#### **4. APPOINTMENT OF FINANCIAL ADVISORS**

**Messrs Donald Rankin** was proposed to continue by John MacKinnon, seconded by Mrs L MacCusbic

#### **5. APPOINTMENT OF TRUSTEES**

Mr MacKinnon handed the meeting over to the secretary, Alison Munro. Mrs Munro stated that two Trustees were obliged to stand down this year – Mr Donald Beaton & Alison Munro. Only two completed nomination forms were received by the secretary. Mr Donald Beaton & Alison Munro. No objections were raised by the meeting to the two nominees remaining on the Board of Trustees.

#### **6. AOCB**

a) Mrs Peggy Semler asked all present if they knew of anybody in the community that may be vulnerable or in need of help applying for the Fuel Voucher. She said that there had been 120 applications for the vouchers but felt that there could be more and would be grateful if anyone knew of any person, to pass her their details.

#### **7. DATE OF NEXT MEETING:**

**AGM Monday 24<sup>th</sup> June 2024 7.00pm.**

There being no further business the Chairman thanked the meeting and closed at 7.35pm.

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## **STRUAN COMMUNITY TRUST** **CHAIRMANS REPORT 2023**

This past year the Trust has funded the following applications-

Gala Committee – Annual Gala

Mrs Lynda MacCusbic – First Responders Kit

Mrs Marie Morrison – Queens Jubilee Tea Party

Mrs Susan MacKinnon – Christmas Lights Switch on Refreshments

Skye Agricultural Show – Hurdles

Portree & Bracadale Free Church – Part funding the Community element of the new building

Development Group – Energy Voucher scheme, running costs & Planters

Three further education bursaries & one covid grant were approved.

One application did not fit the criteria so therefore not funded.

It is good to see a variety of applications being made to the Trust. We met with Vattenfall representatives who were equally impressed with the many different projects which secured funding.

Myself & Donald represent the Trust in the newly formed CAP Group which was set up following last years AGM. A huge amount has been achieved by this group and I would like to thank them all for their time and efforts to bring the Community Action Plan to fruition.

The Trust is looking into the way it is set up and run as potentially more wind farm money comes into the community. Donald & I on behalf of the trust are taking legal & practical advice on how best to move forward with the changes, we will report back to the Trustees and the Community when we have sufficient information to share.

Thankyou once again to all the trustees for their input throughout the year.

## STRUAN COMMUNITY TRUST

### Income and Expenditure Account for the year 1st April 2022 to 31st March 2023.

#### INCOME

Vattenfall Windpower	£48,544.81
Refund from Struan Community Development Group. Development Officer.	£12,996.32
Refund from Struan Community Development Group. Christmas Vouchers.	£3,290.60
Bank Interest.	£566.13
Refund. Village Tea Party.	<u>£218.00</u>
	£65,615.86
Treasurer's Account Balance as at 1st April 2022.	<u>£116,314.16</u>
	<b>£181,930.02</b>

#### EXPENDITURE

Struan Community Development Group. Energy costs support.	£14,105.20
Portree and Bracadale Free Church. Donation for new build project.	£10,000.00
Struan Community Council. Cemetery wall.	£8,940.00
Further Education Bursaries.(3).	£4,352.00
Struan Community Council. Cemetery fencing.	£3,630.72
Struan Community Council. New notice board.	£2,995.00
Portree Gaelic Choir. Donation for choir costs.	£2,500.00
Scottish Ambulance Service. First Responder Kit Bag.	£2,000.00
Skye Agricultural Society. Grant for sheep hurdle.	£1,977.00
Struan Community Council. Skip Hire(2).	£1,820.20
Struan Community Gala. Grant.	£1,775.00
Secretary's Annual Honorarium.	£1,000.00
Struan Community Council. Relacement of plaques at War Memorial.	£880.00
Village Tea Party. Grant.	£700.00
Citizens Advice Scotland. Covid Support Grant.	£500.00
Struan Community Development Group. Grant for annual running costs.	£500.00
Struan Community Council. Grass Cutting.	£430.00
Donald Rankin Business Services. Audit Fee.	£402.00
Christmas Lights Switch On.	£150.00
Ferguson, MacSween and Stewart. Deed of Trust amendment.	£140.00
Treasurer's expenses.	£100.00
West Highland Free Press. AGM Advert.	£68.40
Bog Myrtle Café. Room Hire for AGM.	£40.00
SLCVO Annual Subscription.	<u>£15.00</u>
	£59,020.52
Balance of Treasurer's Account as at 31st March 2023.	<u>£122,909.50</u>
	<b>£181,930.02</b>



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