

Coigach Community Development Company

Annual General Meeting 11th November 2014

Present:

Directors: Iain Muir (Chair), Iain Scott, Ben Walton, Linda MacLeod

Local Development Officers: Julia Campbell, Anne Campbell, Peter Muir

In attendance: Paul Capewell (A9 Accountancy)

Ordinary Members: Evelyn Scott, Steve Husband, Liz Stewart, Iain Campbell, Chris Macleod, Alison Sinclair, Harry Hassall, Diana Hassall, Peter Drake, Dorothy Miller, Michele Drake, Sheila Dunbar, Marilyn Mackenzie, Beryl Morgan, Richard Williams, Lesley Muir, Annie Sinclair, Hector Mackenzie, Ruth Leslie, Alasdair Fraser, Maureen Fraser, Ish Pendred, Alan Pendred.

1. Welcome

The Chair, Iain Muir, opened the meeting and welcomed all attendees.

2. Approval of Minutes of 2013 AGM

The minutes of the 2013 AGM were approved, proposed by Harry Hassell, seconded by Peter Drake.

3. Directors' Reports

The Chair presented his report for the year. Alison Sinclair gave a report on behalf of Coigach Wind Power, and Steve Husband on behalf of Ben Mor Hydro.

4. Financial Report

Paul Capewell from A9 Accountancy gave a detailed explanation of CCDC accounts for 2013/14. Questions from the floor were answered by Paul Capewell. The approval of the 2013/14 accounts was proposed by Maureen Fraser and seconded by Richard Williams.

5. Fixing of Subscriptions

It was proposed that annual subscriptions should remain at £5 per annum. Proposed by Christopher Macleod and seconded by Alison Sinclair

6. Election of Directors

Three Directors stood down: Ben Walton, Ann Macleod and Linda Macleod. One new Director was nominated: Alison Sinclair. Directors for election: Ann Macleod, Linda Macleod and Alison Sinclair. These Directors were duly elected as follows: Linda Macleod (x22 for, 1 abstention); Ann Macleod (22 for, 1 against); Alison Sinclair (22 for, 1 against).

7. AOCB

Midge Drake inquired about the use of the former Smokehouse. The Chair reported that it was available for use but not fully refurbished, and that CCDC are following a plan laid out by The National Lottery (funders) for community assets. Things went on hold following serious interest from an outside company while they considered their options. At this point the meeting was interrupted by Liz Stewart. The Chair called for the meeting to be adjourned for ten minutes and Liz Stewart left the meeting. On resumption, a vote of thanks was proposed from the floor for the retiring Directors. Following the disturbance, a CCDC member asked if membership can be challenged to avoid members using their proxy to further personal agendas and raise issues irrelevant to the meeting. Other members reiterated this by asking what process should be followed if membership is being used purely for disruptive purposes. It was agreed that this would be discussed.

The meeting closed at 9pm.