

CARR-BRIDGE & VICINITY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

AGENDA

Meeting on Thursday 30th October 2008, in the Village Hall, at 7.30pm

1. Apologies
2. Minutes of AGM 25th October 2007
3. Matters Arising
4. Chairman's Report
5. Treasurer's Report and Accounts 2007/2008
6. Elections of Office Bearers
 - Chairman
 - Vice Chairman
 - Secretary
 - TreasurerAppointment of new Planning Representative
7. Any Other Competent Business relating to AGM

End of AGM

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Minutes of AGM held in the Village Hall

Thursday 25th October 2007 at 7.30pm

Present: Scott Bruce (in the chair), Kate Adamson, John Armstrong, Lara Campbell, Pete Carson, Fiona McMullen, Carol Ritchie, David Ritchie
Mary Kinnaird, Barbara Kuwall, Dick Langridge, Mary Langridge, Diane McInnes, Denise Stott. T. Stott

Apologies: Mary Grant, Stuart Black

Minutes of AGM 26th October 2006 have been circulated and displayed in the Post Office both after the meeting and again last week. A correction is necessary as Ann Baird approved the Accounts. Acceptance of the Minutes with this correction was proposed by Fiona McMullen, seconded by Lara Campbell, agreed unanimously.

Matters Arising: None

Chairman's Report

Over the year your Community Council deals with concerns of village residents, railway station lighting and information, road conditions, gritting and many other problems. We are lucky that our local Highland Councillor, Stuart Black, attends all our meetings and deals with many of the matters that are raised.

The 2006 Christmas Party was well attended and was a great success and thanks are due to all those who work hard to ensure that it is successful.

Our village Newsletter which has been edited by Carol Neely for over one year received an award. The Carr-Bridge News came 2nd in a field around 20 for the CNPA community Newsletter awards in May. Carol has raised the content and the profile of the newsletter since taking over and has managed to get sufficient advertising revenue to defray most of the costs of producing it. Carol always welcomes contributions from people in the village and we would like to see the newsletter becoming more of a local forum.

Several Council Members attended the site meeting with CNPA and Tullochs regarding the proposed housing development and also attended a number of planning meetings where the matter was discussed. These matters are still ongoing at this time but the Council is involved heavily in the process. It is worth remembering that Council members are unpaid and make time for these duties. We are trying to ensure that we get the best deal for the village from this development. We continue to be indebted to an ex member, Gavin Gerrard a civil engineer, who has been able to steer us through the complexities of the development and the conditions applying.

In spite of increased prize money, the Duck race raised more than ever - around £900 this year - towards the various Christmas Parties that the Council helps to fund. The Carrbridge Gathering + Carve Carr-Bridge was again a very successful event and may show a profit of over £4K this year. This money will be divided between Community Council and the Village Hall Fund. Some of this profit is to be retained for seeding future events. It takes a huge amount of effort to organise and manage the event and the Chief of the event, Gavin Gerrard is keen to hear from anyone interested in taking on some organisational tasks. Council member, John Armstrong has agreed to work with Gavin with a view to taking over the running of the event in future. The Council is very appreciative of all the hard work that local volunteers put into this event to make it the success that it is. Linda Jolly once again excelled in getting increased publicity for the The World Porridge Championships. This year we had a representative from the Paul O'Grady show and excerpts from the Championships were shown on Television. This was one of the best years of the event for media coverage and the Porridge Championships gave the village worthwhile publicity in the national press. The Council is indebted to all those involved and especially Linda who put in a considerable amount of her own time and professional expertise to ensure the success of the event.

Carrbridge Live, the arts and entertainment event run by Carrbridge Arts is developing into a recognised and professional festival. This year was an even bigger success than previous years with a diverse collection of

events and entertainments throughout the week. It is adding to the reputation of the village as a go ahead community and a vibrant place to live and is welcomed by the Council members.

Thanks to all those who give up their time to help manage, and staff the many village events in our calendar. Without your help these events would quickly disappear.

Our Community Police Officer, PC Ross Polworth, has been keeping us informed about problems in the village by sending us the information and attending Council meetings when his duties allow. The village is still relatively crime free but we still get occasional incidences of pointless vandalism which is very disappointing. We would urge parents to ensure that their youngsters show respect for the appearance of the village and the comfort and safety of residents and visitors.

Fiona McMullen took over as Treasurer at last year's AGM and has given the members useful information on our finances which has enabled a clearer picture of where we stand. Membership has been strengthened with the addition of Pete Carson to the Community Council this year. Pete has experience of working on Community Councils elsewhere and will be a worthwhile member of the Council. We are still keen to hear from anyone who wishes to join the Council and is prepared to give some of their time to benefit the community.

Scott Bruce

Treasurer's Report

FMcM presented the accounts for 2006/7. Ann Baird kindly audits our accounts. Acceptance of the accounts proposed by David Ritchie, seconded by Lara campbell and agreed unanimously.

Election of Office Bearers:

Chairman	Scott Bruce	Proposer: FMcM	Seconder: KA	Unanimous
acceptance				
Vice Chairman	David Ritchie	Proposer: SB	Seconder: PC	“ “
Treasurer	Fiona McMullen	Proposer: SB	Seconder: KA	“ “
Secretary	Kate Adamson	Proposer: CR	Seconder: FMcM	“ “

Planning Representative Mary Grant has resigned as representative. Replaced by Pete Carson Proposer: SB
Seconder: KA

Any other Competent Business

Nil

Meeting finished at 8pm

It was agreed that in future there would be Notes to the Accounts, and that a sheet should be produced regularly showing our committed funds

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