

DORES & ESSICH COMMUNITY COUNCIL  
MINUTES OF AGM HELD 30TH JUNE 2009

**Present:**

Ella MacRae (Chair)

Iain Cameron (Treasurer)

Ruairidh MacLennan (Secretary)

John Martin

Bob King

Iain King

Graham Scott

Gavin Finlay

**In attendance:**

Cllr Margaret Davidson, Cllr Drew Hendry, Cllr Hamish Wood, Steve Feltham, Colin MacArthur and Candy Cameron

**Apologies:**

Kevin Cameron Ross, Anna Williams, Cllr Fraser Parr and Cllr John Finnie

**Previous Minutes**

The minutes of the previous meeting were adopted as read.

Proposed: Iain Cameron

Seconded: Graham Scott

**Matters arising from Previous Minute**

**Knocknagael Sub Station**

John Martin raised his dissatisfaction at the way Scottish & Southern Energy (SSE) went about the public consultation into the proposed sites. He stressed that SSE said they would hold a public meeting for affected parties including residents however the meeting that was held was only open to local members and Community Councillors. John Martin felt that this was bad form.

**Chairman's Report**

The Chair informed the meeting that it has been a varied year for the Community Council with a number of issues requiring attending to during the past year including a number of planning applications, public access issues and Core Path Plans, traffic calming for the village, other road issues including road safety and footpaths, speeding and road maintenance, affordable housing, dog fouling, water and sewage, litter, Rockness community consultation and numerous other issues. The Chair stressed that it has been a busy and challenging year. In relation to planning matters, the Community Council has not always been successful with its representations and we have learnt that we have to keep our eye on the ball when it comes to planning applications, especially when it comes to planning amendments. The Chair stressed that we will continue to do what is best and represent the community. The Chair expressed her thanks to all members of the Community Council for their support over the past year and special thanks in particular to Ruairidh MacLennan for doing a superb job as Secretary and our Treasurer Iain Cameron for all his hard work. Also, thanks to John Martin our Vice Chair for his continued advice on planning related matters and also to Cllrs Davidson and Hendry for attending some of our meetings over the past year and being supportive with our problems.

### **Treasurers Report**

The Treasurer presented the accounts and commented that the bank interest was higher this year due to the Community Council holding the Rockness monies for a month. It was agreed to cancel the insurance for the Community Council laptop as it is now a few years old and they are now relatively cheap to buy.

Funds available at 31/03/09 amount to £3,877.74 which includes £823.63 for the Beach Fund and £1,000 for the Playing Field Fund. Therefore, unrestricted funds amount to £2,054.11.

### **AOCB**

Held over to next meeting.

### **Arrangements for next meeting**

The next AGM will be on 24th May 2010.