

# BACA

## Birse Area Community Association

### Minutes of the Annual General Meeting

10<sup>th</sup> December 2014, 7:30 p.m. at Birse Community Hall

**Committee Members present:** Richard Wright (Chair), David Winton (Treasurer),  
Stuart McConnach, Rick Paul (Secretary)

**In Attendance:** Doug Boyle.

**Apologies:** Norman Kellas, Anne Paul, Catherine Paul, Gareth Wright,  
Sam Wright, Jenni Eke, Michael Eke, Robert Dinnie Snr,  
Robert Dinnie Jnr, Dorothy Dinnie, Ellie Flather, Jane Winton,  
Scott Duthie, Sally Duthie.

**1. Introduction, AOB and Apologies for Absence.**

-The Chairman welcomed those attending, noted three items for AOB, and fourteen apologies.

**2. Minutes of Previous AGM.**

-The previous AGM minutes were accepted as correct. The minutes were proposed by DW and seconded by DB.

**3. Matters Arising (not dealt with elsewhere).**

- None

**4. Chairman's Report.**

- In May, JW and RP attended BCT's Annual General Meeting on behalf of BACA
- In June BACA held its BBQ at the hall with the McConnachs generously allowing us to use the Glebe park. Around 60 folk attended, and the annual rounders competition was enjoyed by all. A grand raffle completed a most enjoyable day. Many thanks to all who participated.
- In August, RW and RP attended a BCT/ETBK/BACA meeting in the hall (minutes previously circulated).
- In September, JW and RW represented BACA at a Birse Parish Liaison Meeting hosted by FCA and attended by local Community Council and Community Association members and BCT.

- After the Remembrance Service at Corsedardar earlier last month, a further service was held at Birse Kirk. It was well attended with 32 people being served tea and pancakes by Dorothy Dinnie in our hall afterwards.
- Also in November, JW represented BACA at the second Birse Parish Liaison Meeting hosted by BACA in the hall and attended by local Community Council and Community Association members and BCT
- The Hall was used 72 times in the last year. Anne's pilates classes accounted for 53, the remainder comprising meetings by BACA, B2C2, BCA, BCT, Neighbourhood Watch and Dunecht rents.
- BACA has applied for a grant from Marr Area Partnership Initiative Grant Scheme for a new gazebo, a new rear door, curtains and interior paint which is due to be heard mid January. They potentially give 50%, the remainder being pledged by B2C2.
- Finally, the Chairman took the opportunity to thank all who contributed their free time to ensure BACA had another successful year.

This concluded the Chairman's report and the Treasurer was asked to give the financial report to the meeting.

#### **5. Treasurer's Report.**

-BACA's bank balance showed a slight drop on last year's figures, due in part to a small loss at the BBQ, but remains healthy. Utilities and insurance are both up to date. The Treasurer was thanked for his report.

#### **6. Election of Committee Members for 2015.**

-The current committee members were all willing to be re-elected. They were proposed by DB and seconded by DW. New committee member Doug Boyle was proposed by RW and seconded by DW. The committee members for 2015 are therefore:-

Richard Wright (Chair)  
 David Winton (Treasurer)  
 Stuart McConnach  
 Jane Winton  
 Norman Kellas  
 Doug Boyle  
 Rick Paul (Secretary)

#### **7. Any Other Business.**

- Local Government Boundary Commission for Scotland: Birse was transferred from Aboyne Ward to Banchory Ward in 2006, and is now represented by councillors Karen Clark, Linda Clark and Jill Webster. The feeling of the meeting was that Birse should be re-instated in Aboyne Ward.
- B2C2: It has been suggested that B2C2 merge with Kincardine O'Neil Community Council. Members discussed the merits of this, but concluded that they would prefer B2C2 to stand alone.
- B2C2 Membership. The Community Council is looking for new members from Birse. Anyone interested should contact David Younie.

There being no further business, RW thanked all those present for their attendance and closed the meeting,