Birse Area Community Association

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting

17th January 2025, 7:00 p.m. at Birse Community Hall

Present:	Richard Wright (Chair), Jane Winton (Treasurer), David Winton, Doug Boyle, Ellie Flather, Scott Duthie.
Apologies:	Gareth Wright, Samantha McLeod-Slater, Lewis McLeod-Slater, Jack Cairney
Others Present:	Robert Dinnie (Snr), Rick Paul (Secretary).

1. **Introduction and Apologies for Absence.**
   -The Chairman welcomed those attending, and noted 4 apologies.

2. **Minutes of Previous AGM.**
   - RW asked for approval of the minutes of the last AGM held on 23rd September 2023. Approval was unanimous.

3. **Matters Arising (not dealt with elsewhere).**
   - None

4. **Chairman's Report.**
   - In November 2023 and 2024, we hosted the Remembrance Services as usual
     In September 2024, Doug, Richard and Rick attended the Birse Community Trust AGM representing BACA. We lent BCT some of our chairs for the event.
     In November a team comprising Richard, Doug and Ellie spent a morning tidying up the hall grounds, cleaning windows and clearing the gutters etc in preparation for winter.

   - The Hall has been used 18 times in since the last AGM.

Weddings	2
Christening	1
Social evening	1
B2C2 Meetings	6
BBQ	1
BPLG Meeting	1
DIRTT bike course	1
Bridge meeting	1
Prayer day	1
Remembrance	2
BACA AGM	1

- Finally, the Chairman reminded those present that that the Council are holding a Bridge drop in open day at the hall on Tuesday 21st January 2025, 11 a.m. until 7 p.m., and 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.

- The Treasurer reported that BACA's finances are in good shape with no major expenditure budgeted for 2025. She noted that our electricity is now supplied by Valda Energy resulting in a significant reduction in the standing charge which is responsible for most of our costs. The Association's finances look healthy and BACA will have no problems fulfilling its obligations in 2025. The Treasurer was thanked for her report.

6. Election of Committee Members for 2025.

- The committee members for 2025 are:-

Richard Wright (Chair)
Jane Winton (Treasurer)
David Winton
Ellie Flather
Scott Duthie
Norman Kellas
Doug Boyle
Rick Paul (Secretary)

7. Date for BBQ etc.

- It was suggested that a wine/whisky tasting evening be held on7/8 or 14/15 March. RW to liaise with Guy Findlayson.
- The annual BBQ will be held on August 30th. It was agreed to be better organised at collecting money for food.
- It was also proposed to hold a pub style social evenings on Friday and Saturday nights throughout the year and an evening food event of some sort before Christmas.

8. Any Other Business.

- It was agreed to hold a hall maintenance day in either June or July.

9. Date for AGM 2026.

- The next AGM will be held on Friday 16th January at 7:00pm in the hall.

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