Killin and Ardeonaig Trust

# Minutes of the Killin and Ardeonaig Trust AGM Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> October 2023 at 10.30 am in the Community Rooms and by Zoom

# Present:

Members:	Andy Aitken Helen Arnold Helen Coles Charlie Grant Sara McPhee Stephen Saddler	Gordon Aitken Mike Beresford Ricky Craig Pat Hayes Suzanne Player Rosemary Simpson	Sheila Aitken Vicky Burns Anne Gilbert David Mardon Kay Riddell Lizzie Stevens	Geoff Arnold Jane Calder Paul Godzik Gillian McHendry Bridget Saddler Andy Stove
Staff				
	Theresa Elliot	Carla Finlay	Raina Jones	Phil Simpson

# Welcome

Bridget Saddler, chair, opened the meeting by welcoming and thanking everybody for attending.

# Apologies

Jay Allen	Fiona Boath	Cristina Campbell	Hamish Campbell
Jane Campbell	Alan Cory-Wright	Nicki Cory-Wright	Joanna Goddard
Désirée van Doorn	Wouter van Doorn	John Wyllie	Sue Wyllie
Donald Maclver	Margaret Maclver	Eleanor Murray	David Fettes

# Minutes

The minutes of the meeting on Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> October 2022 had previously been circulated. They were proposed, seconded and adopted by the meeting.

# **Chairperson's Report**

Bridget Saddler invited the meeting to consider why they were here in Killin and what it is about the village that they like. A number of people responded from the floor.

Bridget went on to say what KAT is for, covering our aims and objectives. Links were made to the 2019 Community Place Plan (CPP) which is not a KAT 10-year 'to do list', but a plethora of needs and ideas for all local community bodies such as Killin Community Council, and Stirling Council among others, having been gathered by the whole community over several meetings, surveys, discussions, and questionnaires. The CPP highlights that Tourism is the area's lifeblood employing 19.7% of the population (circa 6% across Scotland).

Bridget demonstrated how KAT has contributed to the progression of the CPP, initiating or supporting 68% of these needs.

Looking forward KAT intends to continue collaborating with the community, using the CPP to enhance and improve Killin for us all.

# **Treasurer's Report**

The treasurer was unable to attend and Paul Godzik report on their behalf. The Trustees Report and Financial Statements for the year ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023 had previously been circulated.

We have a new bookkeeper and accountant they advised some changes to the presentation of the accounts. We restated our unrestricted funds in the year to create a new Designated contingency fund and a new Designated assets fund. We also restated the General funds to bring in previously designated project funds. The net income for the year was £115,884.

The meeting was given assurance of tight financial controls with Bridget advising she checked the bank balances daily.

There was a question from the floor about depreciation of heritable property and the reason for doing so will be checked.

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# **Retirement and Election of Office Bearers**

Paul Godzik assumed the chair.

Elected directors standing down from the Board by rotation were Charlie Grant, Pat Hayes and Bridget Saddler all standing for re-election. Each of them was proposed, seconded and unanimously agreed by the meeting.

Three co-opted directors were appointed during the year: Andy Aitken, Vicky Burns and Jane Calder. All were available for election to the Board. Each of them was proposed, seconded and unanimously agreed by the meeting.

It was noted that Rosemary Simpson is a co-opted director who is not available for election, she stands down from the Board at this meeting. Co-opted directors are co-opted by the Board and Rosemary is available for co-option.

Bridget clarified the position of the Board pertaining to co-opted directors. The Articles of Association make it clear the Board may at any time co-opt a person to serve as a director on the basis that they have special skills or experience which would be of assistance to the Board. Rosemary Simpson has fulfilled these criteria for a number of years and will be co-opted by the Board again.

# AOB

None

# **Close of AGM**

Bridget acknowledged and thanked all those who volunteer to progress the work of KAT. She noted that the directors are all volunteers. There are in the region of 40-50 volunteers who assist with the different projects of KAT, none of the projects would be where they are without willing volunteers. In particular Bridget thanked Gillian McHendry who is standing down from the Board at this meeting and who has volunteered with the youth project. Bridget also thanked Stella Duncan who made a particular unseen contribution by stocking the community fridge with goods from the Co-op every morning.

Charlie Grant thanked Bridget for her contribution, time, effort and encouragement as Chairperson over the last few years. The meeting agreed with enthusiasm.

Following the meeting the following Spot Light briefings were given to the meeting:

# Co-op.

Theresa Elliot referred to the Place Plan and the changing nature of the Main Street. Against this backdrop the purchase of the former co-op building has been completed and plans for various things and allocation of space have been drafted. The delay in progress at present is due to the length of time it is taking to get a building warrant form the Council.

# Old Mill.

Raina Jones reported on the dramatic changes that have taken place in the Old Mill. A Maker's Market of crafts is on the ground floor and there has been an enthusiastic response from artists. Activities for children are available on the first floor and are being well received. Raina responded to a question about links with the heritage society.

# Youth Work

Carla Finlay reported on a growing youth project which now provides youth work sessions weekly. The programme is about more than activities and includes things to help the personal and social development of young people. The youthwork is for the youth and benefits the community as a whole.

Bridget thanked the speakers and commented on their infectious enthusiasm and how it is all about people working together.

Bridget thanked everybody for attending.