

**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

**TUESDAY 22 FEBRUARY 2022, 7.00PM, held using video conferencing application ZOOM**

PRESENT: Naomi Mandel (NM), Seumus MacInnes (SM), Val Milne (VM), Keith Pirie (KP), Patricia Reid (PR), Cllr Ian Yuill (IY), David Craig (DC)

**1. OPENING REMARKS**

The Chair Naomi Mandel (NM) welcomed everyone to the Braeside and Mannofield Community Council Annual General Meeting.

**2. APOLOGIES**

Apologies had been received from Audrey Harvey (AH), William Stevenson (WS), John McOuat (JM) and Cllr Gordon Townson.

**3. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

The minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 23 February 2021 had been circulated with the Agenda. They were adopted as a true record, their adoption having been proposed by VM and seconded by PR.

**4. CHAIR’S REPORT**

The Chair, NM welcomed everyone and thank them for their attendance. She said

*“Welcome everyone and thank you for being here tonight*

*I would like to start my report with a particular thank you to: - all our City Councillors and officers, most particularly Cllr Ian Yuill, and also Karen Finch the CCLO, who have been a great source of support in our various endeavours - all of the officers of Police Scotland who continue to attend our meetings, take on board our feedback/suggestions and also provide us with valuable information and advice, in particular Sgt John McOuat*

*- Keith for being IT literate, keeping the website up-to-date and getting our Zoom meetings organised each month*

*2021 was again a different year for all of us and a difficult year for many. As per last year, my thoughts, along with my Community Council colleagues, are with those became ill, and to those who lost loved ones as a direct, or indirect, result of the COVID19 virus.*

*Again, we thank ALL of the, mainly unsung heroes, who continued working during all the lockdowns – the posties, supermarket workers, the delivery drivers, our police, fire and ambulance, taxi drivers and, not forgetting, the street orderlies, and of course, those in our communities who have helped neighbours and strangers alike during these times.*

*The BMCC is still unable to meet face-to-face for our meetings, however, we do continue to meet monthly via Zoom, and Keith continues to maintain the website with much relevant information. Therefore, again this year, while we were unable to undertake various activities that we had hoped to during the past year, the Community Council has continued to try and meet the needs of our community during these continuing difficult times.*

*This year we did manage to facilitate a few Community Zoom Room sessions (which unfortunately were not well attended), complete an initiative to ensure that all students in P6 and P7 at Airyhall School have cycle bells, ensured the plant pots outside Airyhall Library continued to be maintained and responded to several requests for funding including help to sponsor a project by S7 pupils at Airyhall School to pay for equipment to let the children plant a tree as a legacy of their time at Airyhall and a scaled back Little Big Lunch Event held at Braeside Terrace (which was very well attended by residents there).*

*While we do still have some restrictions due to Covid, we continue to be hopeful that these will ease off as we continue into 2022, and we will be able to see each other again, sooner rather later.”*

**5. TREASURER’S REPORT**

The Treasurer, WS, had reported that due to the change in Treasurer in October, and issues with the bank in changing signatories, he had been unable to access the bank application for updated account statements. Accordingly the Annual Statement of Account had not been finalised.

Once the Annual Account had been compiled by WS and had been audited by an independent scrutiniser, **it was proposed that approval, or otherwise, of the annual statement be an Agenda item on the earliest possible monthly meeting for consideration by those present.** The proposal was unanimously agreed.

WS had reported that the current account stood at £1,812.84. With the £500.00 still to be paid from the account, this leaves a useable balance of £1312.84. He said that budget provision had been made for:

* a contingency budget of £200 for tree planting
* a contingency of £50 for the wild flower initiative
* a contingency of £500 for the Platinum Jubilee Celebration Fund

**6. ANY OTHER COMPETENT BUSINESS**

There was no other business intimated.

**7. MEETING CLOSURE**

The Chair closed the meeting thanking everyone for attending.