Meigle and Ardler Community Development Trust AGM Minutes		
Date:	26 January 2023	
Time:	7pm	
Location:	Kinloch Arms Hotel	
Present:	Kevin Stirling (KS), Andy Boyack (AB), Susie McNaughton (SMc) – Community Connector, Ali Napier (AN), Bob Ellis (BE), Wanda McGregor (WMc), Kate Methley (KM), Kate Elvins (KE), Jorgie Hill (JE), Jonny Channon (JE), Steve Ebbitt (SE), Annie Anderson (AA) Colin Stewart – (CS): PKC Council	
Apologies:	Hannah Woods, Derek McKenzie	
	No declarations of interests	
Agenda items		Actions
	Minutes of the 2022 AGM, held on 31 January 2022, were agreed to be a true record.	
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	Chairs report The Chairs report is included at the end of these minutes.	KS
	Financial Report It was confirmed that a number of grants had been received and that approximately £26,500 was currently held in the bank.	KM
	The Pathway money was beginning to be utilised with Resilience expense for 2 to 3 generators and cabling; These consisted of one each for Ardler, Meigle and mobile use. Pumps and Floodgates had also been purchased.	
	The Hogmanay Hoolie raised several hundred pounds. The final profit was to be confirmed after the catering invoice had been paid.	
	Thanks were given to Kate Methey for her work and report. AGM Elections	

These were concluded as follows-Chair --- Kevin Stirling Vice Chair and Fundraiser ---- Steve Ebbitt Treasurer ----Kate Methey Secretary/Risk Compliance ---- Andy Boyack Events Organiser ---- Jorgie Hill Resilience ---- Lead post as yet unfilled, with a meeting to be held next Monday and Jonny Channon continuing in assistance. Music, Arts and Resilience ---- Wanda McGregor Green Spaces/ Pathways ---- Bob Ellis Community Shed ---- Ali Napier Communication Team ---- Susie McNaughton (with assistance from a number of Trustees). Signed: Date: 10.02.2023 Andy Boyack

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Annual General Meeting

October 2021 – September 2022

Chair's report

Thursday 26th January 2023

It is my pleasure to welcome you to the second Annual General Meeting (AGM) of Meigle and Ardler Community Development Trust. It has been a year which has seen the Trust develop in many ways and I just want to recognise these achievements as we start this AGM.

The Trust simply would not function without the dedication, commitment and enthusiasm of the trustees and members. I want to thank you all for all the many ways that you have supported, enhanced and elevated the work of the Trust over the last year. This year we welcomed Kate Methley, Jorgie Hill, Andy Boyack, Ken Hanning and Derek Mackenzie as trustees. The attendance of Kate and Martin Elvins, Annie Anderson and Jonny Channon at meetings allowed us to begin to define what a Trust membership might look like in the coming years. Your input at meetings and their support at events was greatly appreciated.

Steve has been a huge support to me this year. His boundless optimism that everything would work out alright with the Bowling Club, the Community Shed and the Resilience Hub were a great antidote to my Highland pessimism.

We have achieved a lot in our local area over the last year.

We signed an Memorandum of Understanding with the Ardler hall village committee, and this has led to some really valuable community drive activity in relation to how we might redevelop this site.

We had a successful presence at the Gala Day where we were able to showcase some of our resilience equipment. Under Dek's leadership resilience has grown into something that is a huge asset to the local area. We were deluged in November and Dek coordinated our response from Western Europe. We will miss his passion and drive as he steps down as the lead for resilience.

As a Trust, we are setting high standards for the work activity we undertake and the end products which we realise for our local area. A good example of this is the path network. Bob and I had developed a proposal for a path network which with Wanda's creativity has now become a heritage path which will be an incredible asset for our local area.

More recently, we secured funding which allowed us to appoint Susie and for Bob to at long last get his chainsaw. And at the end of the year we hosted our first Hogmanay Hoolie, which was a great event and we introduced ourselves to 120 local folks.

In preparation for this meeting I sent an email to trustees which was intended to describe how privileged I have been to be the chair since the Trust began almost three years ago. We really are at a stage where the Trust will evolve into something new as we become landowners (at the Bowling Club) and hut renters (at Belmont). I have been privileged to be the chair of the Trust as we have strived to get this organisation established and to raise awareness of it within our local area. As we move to the next stage of the journey I fully appreciate that I may not have the skill set for what lies ahead and this may lead to a new chair taking over the lead of this organisation.

Ultimately, we have only got to where we are today as a team. We will only move forward as a team, and we will only be successful for our local area as a team. For all that you have done I am very grateful, and I look forward to working with you further this year.