

Dalbeattie Community Council Meeting Minutes

13th May 2024 at 7.30pm

Community Council Elected Members Present: Linda Ashton (LA), John Neilson JN), Aaron Gibson, Lyne Gibson (LG), Maureen Feieraband (MF)

Community Council Co-opted Members Present : David Reid (DR), Edward Palmer (EP), Ron Smith (RS), May Donaldson (MD)

Community Council Members Apologies: Robert Widdowson

Regional (D&G) Council representative: Councillor Ian Blake (IB), Kimberly Philips (KP)

Dalbeattie initiative representative: Ian Wilbur (IW) (chairman of the Dalbeattie initiative)

Others Present: Margaret Copp (MC), John White (JW), Paul Widdowson (PW), Susan Murray (SM), Liz Wilbur (LW)

Regional (D&G) Council Apologies: Councillor Davie Stitt (DS), Councillor Kim Lowe (KL),

Chair **Maureen Feieraband**
Minute taker **Edward Palmer**

1. Welcome and Introductions

EP welcomed everyone to the meeting as there is no elected chairperson

2. Review the minutes of the last annual general and agree they are accurate.

No minutes were presented as EP was not in possession of any and no other sources presented any. EP said going forward he would make sure that minutes would be circulated for this meeting. So that a cycle of draft minutes and approved final minutes could be followed going forward as done for the monthly meetings. KP advised that these should be proposed and seconded and this recorded.

3. Apologies - Confirmation of quorate meeting

EP took a register and confirmed the meeting was quorate

4. Chairperson's Annual Report, followed questions and answers on anything in the report.

Robert McGoldrick sent his apologies and said there was nothing to report

5. Secretary's Annual Report , followed questions and answers on anything in the report.

EP fed back that he was only coopted a month or two back but had been taking minutes since September but the community council were struggling to hold quorate meetings because of the low number of elected members.

2023-10-09 - Non Quorate

2023-11-13 - Quorate

2023-12-11 - Quorate

2024-01-08 - Non Quorate

2024-02-12 - Non Quorate

2024-03-11 - Quorate

2024-04-08 - Non Quorate

Despite this the community council has been active in this period such as:

- Forming the Pond working Group and completing the structural survey
- Applying for a Banking Hub
- Applying for improvements for the Town Hall

Although the latter two have been unsuccessful without applying there is no chance of success and it is only a matter of time before initiatives from the community council are successful.

JW made comment that in his experience this was the right strategy and persistence in applying for funding and resources will pay off.

6. Treasurer present the Annual Accounts , followed questions and answers on anything in the accounts.

LA presented the accounts (attached) and thanks were given to Robert Murray for completing the audit

7. Appoint an auditor to check the accounts (an organisation that is not connected to the Community Council.)

It was agreed to continue with Robbert Murray a retired banker who audits the Dalbeattie Community Council annual accounts free of charge.

8. Resignation of current office bearers

EP as the only current office bearer stepped down from Secretary.

9. Election of office bearers

Maureen Feieraband was proposed as chairperson by Linda Ashton this was seconded Aaron Gibson and MF then took on chairing the rest of the meeting.

Edward Palmer was proposed as secretary by Lyne Gibson this was seconded Aaron Gibson

Linda Ashton was proposed as treasurer by Maureen Feieraband this was seconded Aaron Gibson

All three were elected as the office bearers

10. Date of next annual general meeting.

MF thanked people for attending

2025 Dalbeattie community council annual general meeting was set for 12th May 2025

MF closed the AGM and moved to the general meeting agenda

FISCAL YEAR 2023		Additional Details
OPENING BALANCE	£39,663.36	FROM CLOSING BALANCE FY2022
Income		
29/06/22 Interest	£8.91	
29/09/22 Interest	£10.86	
29/12/22 Interest	£54.20	
30/03/2023 Interest	£85.83	
TOTAL INCOME	£159.80	
Expenditure		
03/05/22 ICO DD	£35.00	
19/12/22 000124 poppy wreath	£33.14	
03/02/23 Chambers Hire	£16.40	
13/03/23 Coronation Committee	£200.00	
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	£284.54	
Opening Balance	£39,663.36	
Income	£159.80	
Opening Balance plus Income	£39,823.16	
Expenditure	£284.54	
Closing Balance	£39,538.62	

FISCAL YEAR 2023		Additional Details
OPENING BALANCE	£39,538.62	FROM CLOSING BALANCE FY2023
Income		
29/06/23 Interest	£104.37	
28/09/2023 Interst	£132.73	
02/12/23 Interest	£143.60	
TOTAL INCOME	£380.70	
Expenditure		
04/05/23 ICO DD	£35.00	
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	£35.00	
Opening Balance	£39,538.62	
Income	£380.70	
Opening Balance plus Income	£39,919.32	
Expenditure	£35.00	
Closing Balance	£39,884.32	