



Breadalbane Heritage Society Annual Members' Meeting



Minutes

Friday 15th November 2024 at 19.15 pm,
Breadalbane Community Campus

Membership

Trustees: Fran Gillespie, Sally Rose, Ian Stewart, Lesley Whitwood (Chairman).

Advisers: Erik Cooper, Neil Hooper (Hon President), Helen Stewart, Andy Walker, Chris Cleare.

Minute Secretary: Ailsa MacPherson

Sally Rose chaired the meeting in the absence of Chairman Lesley Whitwood

1. Apologies:

- a. 45 members and 17 visitors in attendance with apologies from:
Lesley Whitwood, Duncan McNiven, Peter Ely, Veronica Wallace, Nick and Ros Grant,
Louise Carney, John Freeman.

2. Minutes of November 2023 Annual Members' Meeting, presented in advance.

- a. No questions asked.
- b. **Acceptance proposed: Fran Gillespie, seconded Dorothy Procter.**
Meeting accepted unanimously.

3. Chairman's Report and Summary of Activities, (pages 4-5 of the Annual Report and Accounts accompanying this notice, previously circulated to members).

- a. No questions asked.

4. Independent Financial Examiners Report (page 14 of the Annual Accounts - previously circulated to members)

- a. No questions asked.

5. Receiving of Annual Accounts for Period 1st September 2023-31 August 2024

- a. **Acceptance proposed Richard Jarvis, seconded Neil Hooper.**
Meeting accepted unanimously.

6. Election of Trustees

- a. Two trustees: Nicholas Grant and Lesley Whitwood due for retirement, as required.
Nominations received from Lesley Whitwood for re-election and from Jennifer Rees;
Nicholas Grant stepping down.

- 1) Lesley Whitwood, nominated by Veronica Wallace, seconded by Keith Rose.
- 2) Jennifer Rees, nominated by Fran Gillespie, seconded by Ian Stewart

Acceptance proposed Margaret Thomas, seconded Rosie Hooper,
Nominees elected en bloc.



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7. Fixing of Annual Subscriptions

- a. **Sally Rose proposed annual subscriptions to remain at £12 for an individual membership and £20 joint membership, seconded Anne Clark. Meeting accepted unanimously.**

8. Appointment of Linda El-Ghorr as Independent Financial Examiner.

- a. **Nominated by Morag Galloway and Erik Cooper.**

9. AOCB: Sally Rose read out a statement from Chairman Lesley Whitwood: "As you have read in the report, it has been another successful year for the Society when we have heard of other Historical societies which have folded due to lack of membership. This has been due to your support in coming to the talks and the activities and, of course, to the work of the committee and trustees. Ian Stewart has again excelled himself in planning the programmes and guiding the rest of us in action, Sally has efficiently taken care of our finances as the report shows. We would also like to thank Nick as he retires from the board of trustees, especially as he guided us through the exercise of becoming a charity – not an easy task.

We were very sorry to lose Mary McDougall this year who had been an enthusiastic, thoughtful and committed Trustee and had acted as our contact with other local societies. We are really grateful that others have stepped up to help in various ways and we welcome Jenny Rees to the board of trustees.

Please remember that you do not need to be on the committee or the board of trustees to help with the organisation of the Society – every little bit of participation helps to make the organisation run smoothly."

10. Date of Next Annual Members' Meeting:

- a) Next AMM to be held in November 2025
- b) Sally Rose introduced the evening's speaker, Keith Myers on Ardrasgairt.
- c) After a fascinating talk on the community of Ardrasgairt in the 19th Century Sally Rose gave the vote of thanks.