

STRATHERRICK & FOYERS COMMUNITY TRUST LTD.



Chair's bulletin December 2015

Dear Member

Welcome to the last Chair's bulletin for 2015. T'is the season to be jolly, etc! There have been several community events over the last few weeks, the Shinty Club sale, the Guides and Brownies' Christmas Fete and Carol Service to name but a few, and it's great to see our community coming together to support these groups.

AGM

Thank you to all members and non-members who attended our AGM. It was a very positive and productive meeting, finishing with a wide-ranging Question and Answer session. For those who weren't able to attend but would like to read my Chair's report, which broadly sets out what the Board has been doing over the last year, please look on our website or contact our Administrator and she will email you a copy. At the AGM, the nominees who were elected to the Board are as follows:

Graeme Ambrose
Hugh Nicol
Ken Sinclair

Graeme and Hugh were existing directors but Ken is a new face on the Board and all directors welcome him and look forward to working with him as part of the team.

Martin Donnelly was nominated by the Community Council to be their Liaison Director so Martin now takes his place on the Board as the Council's representative.

GRANTS

Details of the grants awarded at our December meeting have now been published and you can find details on the notice boards and on our website. We awarded several student grants, some energy efficiency grants and a group grant to the Seniors Lunch Club to ensure the seniors lunches continue throughout the year.

Remember, from next year we will be holding bi-monthly grant meetings, so everyone will have even more opportunity to apply for a grant. Dates and deadlines of meetings can be found on our website.

COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

In November, the Board took the decision to create a new community newsletter. This will be produced by the Trust but we would welcome input from as many groups and individuals as possible. We don't propose to publish minutes in the newsletter, as we felt that that wasn't what people wanted to read. We hope instead however to publish "news". We will be contacting the Community Council, Boleskine Community Care, schools and other groups

active in the area to see if they would like to include anything. If anyone is interested in having an article or a news event published, or interested in receiving a copy of the newsletter (either electronically or a paper copy) then please contact the Trust.

NEW EMAIL ADDRESSES

The Trust is in the process of simplifying its email addresses. From now our contact details are:

Chair: zoe-dir@sfctrust.org.uk
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COMMUNITY CONSULTATION

At the beginning of 2016 we will be inviting community-wide consultation on a few subjects, e.g. community broadband and land issues, so please watch this space and as soon as we have some definite proposals, we'll be in touch.

Just to finish, I and the Board of Directors wish you all a peaceful, enjoyable Christmas and new year and we look forward to your continued support in 2016. As always if you have any comments or wish to make any contribution to the Trust or to the newsletter, then please do not hesitate to contact us.

Happy Christmas

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