



**Killearn Community Futures Company  
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2021  
Online via Zoom**

**Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> October at 8.00pm**

**Minutes**

**1. Welcome**

As Convenor – Graeme Fraser thanked everyone for coming to the meeting and acknowledged that although this had been a difficult year – it had highlighted a very positive community spirit through the launch of the Killearn Heritage Trail and the ongoing activities at the Village Hall.

**2. Attendees**

Kenneth Alexander	Margaret Harrison
Nancy Bailey	Nick Hawkins
Bob Ballantyne	Ronnie Hayton
Sue Beck	Lindsay Kirk
Sarah Deas	Jim Ptolomey
Frank Deas	Fiona Rennie
Andrew Donaldson	Peter Wilks
Joanna Donaldson	Carole Young
Graeme Fraser	David Young
Mike Gray	Iain Young
Roni Gray	Jackie Young

**3. Apologies for Absence**

Doug Ashworth	Brenda Pell
Pat Ashworth	Michael Pell
Peter Bailey	Ebeth Rennie
Ros Gibson	Kirstine Simpson
Gavin Hunter	Gill Smith
Jane Hunter	Peter Smith
Sandra Kirk	Jenny Wilks
	Heather Wright

#### **4. Adoption of Minutes of AGM of 15<sup>th</sup> October 2020**

The minutes of the AGM in 2020 were adopted – proposed by Fiona Rennie and seconded by Peter Wilks.

#### **5. Convenor's Report**

Graeme Fraser referred the meeting to the convenors report on the website and thanked all of those involved in the working groups. Graeme acknowledged the huge amount of work taken on by Paths Group in developing proposals for an Active Travel Path from Killlearn to Balfron – proposals are at an early stage of consultation – but Graeme reinforced that this community project would only go ahead with the support of the community and more work was planned to consult with landowners and residents to find an acceptable route.

#### **6. Treasurer's Report**

Bob Ballantyne took the meeting through the Report and Accounts as posted on the website. The accounts show that this has been a tougher year for the organisation – but boosted by a grant award to the Village Hall from the Scottish Wedding Industry Fund and continued work from the Courier team.

The Report and Accounts were signed off – proposed by Nancy Bailey and seconded by Mike Gray.

#### **6. Election of Directors**

Graeme noted that Iain Howie had stood down as Director and thanked him for his contributions.

Nick Hawkins (proposed by Mike Gray and seconded by Joanna Donaldson) and Kirstine Simpson (proposed by Fiona Rennie and seconded by Margaret Harrison) – were re-elected.

There were no new applications for Director and members at the meeting were encouraged to pass on the message that there is a vacancy and to encourage local residents to consider getting involved.

KCFC is also looking for a secretary and anyone interested is invited to email [members@kfc.co.uk](mailto:members@kfc.co.uk) for more information / to chat.

## **7. Reports from Working Groups:**

Thanks to the working group leads who referred the meeting to the reports on the website and picked out some highlights as below.

- a. All Killearn Archive
- b. Colourful Killearn – there will be a Christmas Tree – thanks to kind donation from Edenmill – dates tbc.
- c. Fireworks – although the fireworks is not happening this year – it is hoped to be able to organise an alternative community event in the Village Hall in December.
- d. Killearn Courier – congratulations to all involved for reaching 50 editions – the latest edition is about to go to press and will be on doorsteps mid-November.
- e. Killearn E-bike Loan Project (KELP) – the bike project has been a great success – anyone interested in hiring a bike can contact Mike Gray c/o [mike@kcfc.co.uk](mailto:mike@kcfc.co.uk) for further information.
- f. Killearn Heritage Trail – the year culminated in the launch of the Killearn Heritage Trail and thanks to all who contributed – the aim now is to spread the word more widely and encourage visitors to the village. Nick Hawkins made special mention to the All Killearn Archive group whose collection of archive photos etc. had been invaluable in bringing the website to life.
- g. Killearn Village Hall – thanks to all involved – a great team effort – and thanks to the local lending library team – books can now be borrowed from the library in the entrance. Special thanks too to Norman McNab for very generous donation of a large panorama picture which is now hanging in the Village Hall entrance showing the local hills and landscapes.
- h. Paths Group – acknowledged that a lot of work to do on bringing together plans for the Active Path route – the final decision will be in community hands and although there is a lot of support for the project – there are some challenging sections of the route still to be plotted out.
- i. Woodland

## **8. AOB**

Fiona Rennie noted that there is work ongoing to update the KCFC website – to take the current content onto a new more modern platform – and as part of the work – a new KCFC logo has been commissioned and it is hoped to share more widely shortly.

There was no further business and the meeting closed at 8.50 pm.