

Highland Perthshire Communities Land Trust  
Incorporating the Dùn Coillich Project  
(Scottish Charity Number SC032801)

**Minutes of Annual General Meeting held in Molteno Hall, Fortingall at 3.00 p.m. on  
Saturday 7 March 2009**

1. The Chairman, Paul Jarvis, welcomed about 40 people to the seventh AGM of Perthshire Communities Land Trust. *Apologies:* Colin Liddell, Hamish and Elisabeth Nicholson, Neil Hooper, Sue Hoare.

2. *Minutes of the General Meeting held on 15 March 2008 (circulated).* Proposed by Gordon Evans, seconded by Clare Thomas: Approved.

3. *Matters Arising.* None. Any matters arising would be covered under appropriate items below.

4. *Trustees' Report and Accounts for the year to 30 November, 2008* (previously circulated): The Chairman presented the Trustees' Report and Accounts comprising the Trustees' Activities and The Independent Financial Examiner's Report and Statement of Financial Activities. The Report is divided into two parts: the Activities of the Trustees (pages 4 – 6), and the Accounts (pages 7 – 9). Comments on the Trustees' Activities were invited by the Chairman. Tim Fison asked what were the species that made the Whitebridge area "species-rich" and thereby designated as an RSS. Details of the species were not available at the meeting, but Julie Gardiner would provide them for him.

The Accounts had been prepared by the Independent Financial Examiner, Tim Ambrose FCA, CTA (Fellow), who was present. The Treasurer made a short statement about the accounts, and questions were invited. There were none.

5. *Approval of Trustees' Report and Accounts for the year to 30 November, 2008:* The document was approved as a whole; proposed by Julie Gardiner, seconded by Beryl Coope.

6. *Retirement and Election of Trustees.* The following Trustees retired and did not seek re-election: William Hoare and Robin Hull. Margaret Jarvis (Treasurer) retired and was seeking re-election (proposed by Gordon Evans, seconded by Julie Gardiner). The following had been nominated for election: Margaret Gimblett (proposed by Robin Hull, seconded by Margaret Jarvis) and June Riddell (proposed by Tim Fison, seconded by Margaret Jarvis). The Chairman declared all three elected. In addition, Ben Henderson (proposed by Tim Fison, seconded by Julie Gardiner) was co-opted. The Chairman commented very briefly on the great work done for the Trust since its very beginning by Bill Hoare and Robin Hull, and wished them well for the future.

7. *Fixing the Annual Subscriptions:* In response to a question by Robin Hull, it was stated that there were currently 65 members. Some discussion on why numbers were lower was inconclusive. It was proposed and agreed unanimously that subscription rates would remain unchanged.

8. *Appointment of the Independent Financial Examiner:* Tim Ambrose indicated his willingness to continue. This offer was gratefully accepted; proposed by Margaret Jarvis, seconded by Beryl Coope.

9. *Any other competent business:* On behalf of the Trustees, the Chairman proposed that Malcolm Appleby be made an *Honorary Life Member*, in view of his very considerable support of the Trust since its inception. This proposal was enthusiastically endorsed.

Malcolm Appleby had, once again, provided a silver brooch to be raffled for all Members (won by Ben Henderson).

The Newsletter, edited by Julie Gardiner, was available to be picked up individually and in bundles for distribution at the AGM desk. It is also available at the Aberfeldy Tourist Office.

Details of tree planting this spring were given by the Chairman. Volunteers please contact Julie Gardiner. Bill Hoare gave an update on progress being made in the construction of the Keltneyburn Hydro Scheme, the intake of which is on Dun Coillich. Work commenced in 2008 on 19<sup>th</sup> December, and rental will be paid, annually on that date.

*There being no further business, the meeting closed at 3:30 p.m.*