

Gavinton, Fogo & Polwarth Community Council

Minutes the Annual General Meeting of 24th April 1995 in the village hall Gavinton

PRESENT

Mr R Sinclair (Chairman), Mrs C Allman, Mr M Lamb, Mr R Markby, Mr I McCowen, Mr A McMillan, Mrs M Mowat, Cllr J Nairn, Mrs F Purves, Mrs U Robinson, Mr F Seed, Mrs M Weir.

7 members of the public were present and PC R Richardson

APOLOGIES

Were received from Cllr J Elliott

MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

Had been circulated previously were approved & signed by the Chairmen

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The chairman welcomed members of the council & those members of the public present and noted with regret the resignations during the year of Mrs Watt and Mr Wilkinson while welcoming onto the council Mrs Robinson. He noted that the council was still one short of its full strength of 12.

It was noted that the council area had been awarded 3rd place in the Keep Berwickshire Tidy competition and had been awarded a certificate of commendation in the Scotland in Bloom competition.

The councils representations through the year had helped to bring a bus service to the village and the council continued to press for improvements to the village like the lighting in the Glebe (now promised but not yet implemented) and the play area, the committee of which was still actively promoting the scheme. Although the Langton bridge still gave cause for concern the council had made some progress with the authority for the maintenance of this.

There had been a ballot in the village over plans to zone a plot to the west of the village for development. There had been an excellent turn out and a narrow majority rejected the plan.

The council was still actively lobbying to have the 30mph zone extended east along the main street.

A planning sub-committee had been formed to speed up the vetting of planning applications deemed to be of a non-controversial nature and appeared to working well.

Thanks were once again extended to Laurie Cleat for his work with the Verter.

The council had received a letter of thanks from Eleanor Stewart for the flowers sent to her aunt on the achievement of her 106th birthday.

The council had been involved with the Berwickshire Community Council Forum but had lost the services of Donald Moffat in local government boundary changes.

TREASURES REPORT

The council had received its annual £200 grant from the District Council and the accounts showed a credit balance of £234.93. It was agreed to discuss the donation of a sum of money to the village hall at a subsequent meeting

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Under the council's constitutional provision Mr Sinclair, having been chairman for 3 years, stood down from that post and the following posts were filled:-

Mr F Seed was elected chairman (Messrs Markby & McCowen).

Mrs U Robinson elected vice-chairman (Mrs Purves & Mr McMillan).

Mrs M Mowat reelected Treasurer ((Mr Seed & Mr McMillan).

Mr I McCowen elected secretary (Mr Sinclair & Mr Seed)

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

There was some discussion as to how the wider public in the community could be kept up to date with who were their representatives on the community council. It was thought impractical to circulate a list of councillors to every household but agreed that wider publicity was desirable and a list should be published in the Verter at least.

The chairman (Mr Seed) warmly thanked Mr Sinclair for the 3 years he had spent as chairman of the community council and all the work he had done for the community. This was further endorsed by Cllr Nairn on behalf of himself as well as the Berwickshire Council.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

There being no other business the chairman declared the AGM cosed

CHAIRMAN

F Seed

DATE

15/4/96.