

TARBAT COMMUNITY COUNCIL (TCC) AGM

**Minutes of the AGM held on Thursday 5th August 2026 AT 7.30 PM
Carnegie Hall Portmahomack**

Members present: Hamish Mackenzie (HM) , Reg Flegg (RF), Gill Davey (GD), Jackie Thornhill (JT), Gordon Jack (GJ), James Philp, Eric Nimmons (EN),

Associate member:

Apologies: Leah McBean (LM)

In attendance: Cllr Connie Ramsay (CR)

From Community: 4

The chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Approval of the minutes and matters arising from the AGM

**Proposed HM
Seconded JT
Approved unanimously**

Chairperson's annual report

It has been a great pleasure to be part of the community council and to have been the chair for the last year.

I would like to thank all of the members of the council for their commitment and engagement. I would also like to extend my thanks and gratitude to the community as a whole. We have been very well supported by the councillors. They have always been proactive and timely in their support.

The toilets have remained open all year round, with thanks to JT for organising the roster of volunteers.

Alastair Maclean has repaired the fountain steps, donating his expertise and time, we were able to pay for the materials.

We now have a bi-monthly diary of village events being created. It is being delivered to all the homes in the village. Thank you to the committee for supporting it in the printing and to the volunteers for delivering them.

We have developed a good working relationship with the Community Pay Back (CPB). They have painted the toilets, paint and supplies funded by the TCC. They have also been engaged to do numerous projects around the village, tidying up foot paths, painting warning lines on the steps by the Carnegie hall and the cutting back of hedges on the front.

Thanks to RF maintaining the visitor voluntary donation scheme we have been able to support many of the village clubs and activities. This includes supporting Santa giving presents to the children of the village, Cubs and Beavers, mums and toddlers and the school playground. We have also been able to put in benches by the park and the fountain.

The culmination of great effort from EN and the Councillors has resulted in instating a bus service to the village.

Reg has been a wonderful and pro-active member of the council holding posts of Chair and treasurer. He will be leaving the committee now, but will continue to help with collecting donations and will be an associate member. I would like to record our appreciation for all he has done. I would also like to personally thank him for all the support and advice he has given me.

Financial report from Treasurer

Current account £2781.88.

Deposit account £4410.38.

The accounts for the year to 31st March, 2026, which had previously been circulated, were approved.

Proposed HM
Seconded GD
Approved unanimously

Treasurers report by outgoing Treasurer Reg Flegg

I am about to resign my position as treasurer of Tarbat Community Council (TCC) along with resigning my membership of the council. One of my last duties is to present the 2025 receipts and expenditure accounts for TCC. The accounts have been audited and certified by Heather Macrae and I am seeking TCC approval of the accounts for forwarding to Highland Council. This action releases the payment by Highland Council to us of our annual administration grant. Once approved, we can forward the accounts to Highland Council for processing.

During my tenure as treasurer I also served as chairman for three years covering the Covid 19 period. I have to thank all those who have advised and supported me since being co-opted on to TCC in 2018 when I immediately took up the then vacant role of treasurer. I sincerely thank all those who supported me and gave advice during my term with TCC. It was an interesting and mainly enjoyable task.

I offer to remain on the council as an associate member and still maintain the management of our visitor's voluntary donation scheme for as long as my health and personal circumstances allow. I am content to do this and I am pleased to say that I leave the treasurers task with TCC in a robust financial position. I have to give a big thank you to Heather Macrae who has helped us in auditing and certifying our accounts. And she has kindly offered to help in future reporting of our finances

I wish Leah success as she takes over the role of treasurer and I will remain available to help and advise if required

Voting of RF as associate member

Proposed HM
Seconded GD
Approved unanimously

Vote to co-opting Leah Macbean

Proposed HM
Seconded GD
Approved unanimously

Election of office bearers

Cllr Connie Ramsay took the chair and asked for nominations for Chairman

Gillian Davey nominated
Proposed HM

Seconded JP
Approved unanimously

The Chairman asked for nominations for Vice Chairman

Hamish Mackenzie nominated by GD
Proposed GD
Seconded JP
Approved unanimously

The Chairman asked for nominations for Secretary

Gillian Davey nominated by EN
Proposed by EN
Seconded by HM
Approved unanimously

The Chairman asked for nominations for Treasurer

Leah McBean nominated EN
Proposed by EN
Seconded GJ

No other nominations

Chairperson declared provisional date of next AGM and set meetings for the following year

AGM 2nd June 2027

TCC meetings:

2026 - 6th August, 7th October, 2nd December,

2027 - 3rd February, 7th April, 2nd June