

# Comann nam Pàrant (Nàiseanta) Coinneamh Bhliadhnail 2023

06 An t-Ògmhios aig 19:00

(air Zoom)

# An Làthair / In Attendance

Helen MacKinnon (Chair, Glasgow)
Fiona Stephens (Vice-chair, Edinburgh)
Marsaili Dow (Treasurer)
Gill Steele (Secretary, Aberfeldy)
Dan Mahon (East Ayrshire)
Sarah Thomas (Stirling)
Wilma Laird (Edinburgh)
Will Clem (Nairn)
Nicola (East Ayrshire)
Alison Craig (Oban)
Jon Andrews (North Ayrshire)
Athene Richardson (Glasgow)
Wilson MacLeod (Edinburgh)

Magaidh Wentworth (Comann nam Pàrant)
Kirsteen Mhoireach (Comann nam Pàrant)
Innes MacQueen (Comann nam Pàrant)
Ann Mhoireasdan (Manager, Bòrd na Gàidhlig)

# 2. Leisgeulan / Apologies

No apologies

# 3. Geàrr-chunntas na Coinneimh Bhliadhnail 2022 Minute of Annual General Meeting 2022

Proposed – Fiona Stephens

Seconded - Marsaili Dow

### 4. Gnothaichean ag èiridh às a' Gheàrr-chunntas / Matters arising from the Minute

No matters arising

5. Aithisg Bhliadhnail/ Annual Report

Annual Report was distributed prior to the meeting and some of the main points highlighted by Helen as follow:

GME main stakeholder meetings have been ongoing and these have been useful. Thanks to Bòrd na Gàidhlig for assisting in organising these. Main groups involved include, Scottish Government, Education Scotland, Storlann & BBC.

The education bursary of £20,000 is now to include Gaelic Secondary, subjects through the medium of Gaelic and Gaelic in primary school which is very welcome and something that Comann nam Parant have requested over a number of years.

Magaidh Wentworth added the good news that there is new provision starting in East Renfrewshire & Applecross in August, with Paisley starting last August. There has been a meeting to discuss the future of GME secondary in the central belt with parents in areas who previously relied on Glasgow City for secondary provision. CnP have spoken with Bòrd na Gàidhlig about funding with a view for further research into this. Jon Andrews, in North Ayrshire it is still unclear as to what the secondary provision will be for them and it is difficult to persuade parents about GME when the full 3-18 pathway is still unclear and means a leap of faith for parents.

Kirsteen Murray updated about the work that the early year's team have been doing. There has been a significant growth in the number of early-year's group that have started or restarted over the last year. There is demand for groups in others place but also a strain on resources and time.

#### 6. Aithisg Ionmhasair / Treasurer's report:

Report distributed beforehand by Marsaili. Financial year end 31<sup>st</sup> Jan 2022 – figures given for that date. Marsaili is stepping down from her role as treasurer. Helen thanked Marsaili for her hard and very precise work over the years.

### 7. Taghadh Buill na Comataidh / Election of Committee Members:

**Chairperson: Helen MacKinnon (Glasgow)** 

Nominated: Fiona Stephens Seconded: Jon Andrews

Vice Chairperson: Fiona Stephen (Edinburgh)

Nominated: Wilma Laird Seconded: Sarah Thomas

Secretary: Gill Steele (Aberfeldy)

Nominated: Fiona Stephens Seconded: Wilma Laird

#### **Ordinary members**

Will Clem - Nairn
Isobel Taylor – Cowal
Wilma Laird – Edinburgh
Sarah Thomas – Stirling
Alison Craig - Oban
Dan Mahon – East Ayrshire
Athene Richford – Glasgow
Jon Andrews – North Ayrshire

#### Resignations

Claire Wilding (Date of Resignation 06/06/23)

Marsaili Dow (Date of Resignation 06/06/23)

Evelyn Coull MacLeod (Date of Resignation 06/06/23)

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8. Taghadh Neach-sgrùdhaidh Neo-eismealach / Appointment of independent examiner:
W.R Accountants, Cumnock. Marsaili has worked with them for many years. As we are yet to appoint a treasurer, it was agreed that it is best to continue using these accountants at the moment.
9. GISBE/AOCB:
No other business to discuss.
Meeting Closed
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Committee meeting