

Coinneamh Bhliadhnail agus Co-labhairt 2022 Annual General Meeting and Conference 2022



A' toirt ar dualchais do ar n-òigridh



Fèisean nan Gàidheal

Co-labhairt agus Coinneamh Bhliadhnail 2022
Conference and Annual General Meeting 2022



Taigh-òsta Gàidhealach Shruighlea

The Stirling Highland Hotel

CLÀR

PROGRAMME

Dihaoine 23 Sultain

Friday 23 September

14:00	Coinneamh den Bhòrd-Stiùiridh	Meeting of Board of Directors
19:00	A' Choinneamh Bhliadhnail Anna Mhoireach, Cathraiche	Annual General Meeting Anna Murray, Chair
19:30	Deoch le Ceòl bho Fhèis Fhoirt	Refreshments with Music from Fèis Fhoirt
20:00	Dìnnear is Cèilidh Aoigh: Shirley-Anne Somerville BPA Rùnaire a' Chaibineit airson Foghlam & Sgilean	Dinner & Cèilidh Guest Speaker: Shirley-Anne Somerville MSP Cabinet Secretary for Education & Skills

Disathairne 24 Sultain

Saturday 24 September

09:15	Fàilte: Art MacCarraig	Welcome: Arthur Cormack
09:20	Rannsachadh air builean obair Fhèisean nan Gàidheal	Research on impacts of Fèisean nan Gàidheal's work
09:45	Treòir nam Fèisean	Treòir nam Fèisean
10:15	Treòir TVV: Fèisgoil Nan Fee agus Gabe McVarish	Treòir TVV: Fèisgoil Nan Fee and Gabe McVarish
10:50	Bliadhna nan Sgeul 2022	Year of Stories 2022
11:20	Tì/Cofaidh	Tea/Coffee
11:35	ICO: 20 Bliadhna	YMI: 20 Years
12:00	Dìonadh: Poileasaidh Àite Dìonta	Safeguarding: Safe Place Policy
12:30	Cor nam Fèisean: Seisean Fosgailte Ceistean/Còmhradh	Situation of the Fèisean: Open Session Questions/Discussion
13:00	Lòn agus Dealachadh	Lunch and Depart



Fèisean nan Gàidheal

Coinneamh Bhliadhnail Fèisean nan Gàidheal gu bhith ga cumail ann an Taigh-òsta Gàidhealach, Sruighlea, Dihaoine 23mh Sultain 2022 bho 7f

The Annual General Meeting of Fèisean nan Gàidheal to be held at the Stirling Highland Hotel from 7pm on Friday 23 September 2022

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Geàrr-chunntas air Coinneamh Bhliadhna Fèisean nan Gàidheal a chaidh a chumail aig 7f, Dihaoine 24 Sultain 2021

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of Fèisean nan Gàidheal held at 7pm on Friday 24 September 2021

Chuir Anna Mhoireach, Cathraiche Fèisean nan Gàidheal, fàilte air a h-uile duine.

Anna Murray, Chair of Fèisean nan Gàidheal, welcomed everyone to the AGM.

1 An Làthair

Present

Anna Murray, FnG Board/Chair
Kirsty MacDougall, FnG Board/Vice-Chair
Alistair Paul, FnG Board/Fèis Arainn
Colin Sandilands, FnG Board/Fèis Farr
George Stoddart, FnG Board/Fèis Fhoirt
Anne Macaulay, FnG Board/Fèis an Rubha
Sarah-Jayne Shankland, FnG Board/Fèis nan Garbh Chrìochan
Carola MacCallum, FnG Board/Fèis Obar Dheathain
Mairi Buchanan, FnG Board/HIE
Bernard Bell, Fèis Dhùn Bhreatainn
Diane MacIntyre, Fèis Fhoirt
Sandra French, Fèis Fhoirt
Carol-Anne Farquhar, Fèis air an Oir
Sheena Reid, Fèis na h-Apainne
Roo Geddes, Fèis na h-Apainne
Davy MacDonald, Fèis Latharna
Steph Christie, Fèis Mhoireibh
Kirsteen Russell, Fèis na h-Òige
Catherine MacNeil, Fèis na h-Òige
Louise Holling, Fèis na h-Òige
Elspeth Blackshaw, Fèis Spè
Caroline Sterritt, Fèis Spè
Mairead Nicolson, Fèis Thròndairnis
Archie Nicolson, Fèis Thròndairnis
Lena Walker, Comhairle na Gàidhealtachd
Cllr Isabelle Campbell, Comhairle na Gàidhealtachd
Danny KilBride, Director Trac Cymru
Calum Rosach, Fuaran
Ferghas Rothach, Fuaran
Evie Waddell, Fuaran
Charlie MacLennan, Fèis na h-Òige

Arthur Cormack, FnG Staff
Anne Willoughby, FnG Staff
Calum Alex Macmillan, FnG Staff
Angus MacLeod, FnG Staff
Eilidh MacKenzie, FnG Staff
Karen Oakley, FnG Staff
Luke Slater, FnG Staff
Nicola Simpson, FnG Staff
Abigail Lightbody, FnG Staff
Laura Nicolson, FnG Staff
Peigi Ann Shields, FnG Staff
Christine MacLeod, Fèis a' Bhaile
Cindy Campbell, Fèis a' Bhaile
William McEvoy, Fèis Chille Brìghde an Iar
Eilidh MacKenzie, Fèis an Earraich
Peigi MacLennan, Fèis Eilean an Fhraoich
Sorcha O Carroll, Fèis Inbhir Narainn
Sandra Hilton, Fèis Inbhir Narainn
Mairi Steele, Fèis Obar Dheathain
Grant McFarlane, Fèis Phàislig
John Doherty, Fèis Phàislig
Fiona Dalgetty, Fèis Rois
Joyce MacInnes, Fèis Thiriodh
Janice MacInnes, Fèis Thiriodh
John MacLean, Fèis Tìr an Eòrna
Steven Kellow, Bòrd na Gàidhlig
Allan Campbell, An Comunn Gàidhealach
Seona McLintock, Eden Court
Kate MacLeod Fèis a' Bhaile/Fèis Rois
Matthias Hamilton, Fèis a' Bhaile/Fèis Rois
Elissa Hunter, Fèis a' Bhaile/Fèis Rois
Cameron MacDougall, Fèis Rois
Megan MacKay, Fèis Rois

2 Leisgeulan

Apologies

Angela Mack
Katie MacInnes

Cllr Michael Finlayson
Cllr Muriel Cockburn

Siobhan Anderson
Morag Anna MacLeod Mitchell
Caroline Swain
Sandy Gray
Eilidh Cormack
Mairi McGhee
Maggie Frame
Fiona Hutchinson
Nick Firth
Catriona Macneil
Kate Cameron
Elizabeth Bain
Debbi Celli
Tamara Hedderwick
Gillian Macdonald
Jennifer Cousins
Nan Fee
D I MacLennan
Raghnaid Sandilands
John MacNeil
Mairi Oakley
Alice MacDonald
Stephen Culbertson
Bill Skeoch
Ewan Angus
Yahya Barry
Duncan Cockburn
Stephanie Fraser
Duncan Hendry
Philip Long
Carol Main
Elizabeth Partyka
David Strachan
David Brew-
Sarah Munro
Donna Manson
Nicky Grant
Kate Lackie
Mairi MacInnes
Shona MacLennan
David Boag
Brian Ó hEadhra
James Graham
Donald MacNeill
Ryno Morrison
Rona Gold
Cllr Robin Currie
Cristie Moore
Coinneach Morrison
Douglas Ansdell
Judy Menabney
Donald Cameron MSP

Cllr Niall Maclean
Cllr Pauline Munro
Cllr Peter Saggars
Cllr Pippa Hadley
Cllr Raymond Bremner
Cllr Richard Gale
Cllr Roderick Balfour
Cllr Ron Macwilliam
Cllr Struan Mackie
Cllr Tom Heggie
Cllr Trish Robertson
Cllr Willie Mackay
Angela Pearcey
Lisa MacDonald
Lesley McGeachy
Lisa Anne O'Donnell
Elaine Spence
Davy MacDonald
Lauren Byrne
Steph Christie
Morven Gibson
Anne Thirkell
Eilidh Shaw
Elspeth Blackshaw
Mary Duff
Gemma Corkill
Alison McBride
Shari MacKinnon
John MacLean
Morag MacIsaac
Carroll Buxton
Ann Marie Reid
Neil Ross
Francesca Couperwhite
Douglas Cowan
Amanda Bryan
Alistair Dodds
Ian Stevenson
Iain Munro
Alan Morrison
Catriona Hawksworth
Morag MacDonald
Karen Dick
Robert Wilson
Malath Abbas
Tia Thomson
Margaret Laycock
Elaine MacPhail
Jane Burdon Austin
Iona Macdonald
Jim Falconer
Carol Craig

Edward Mountain MSP
Jamie Halcro-Johnston MSP
Richard Lochhead MSP
Rhoda Grant MSP
Maree Todd MSP
Fergus Ewing MSP
Alasdair Allan MSP
Kate Forbes MSP
Emma Roddick MSP
Douglas Ross MSP
Ariane Burgess MSP
Jenni Minto MSP
Cllr Alister Mackinnon
Cllr Bill Lobban
Cllr Calum Macleod
Cllr Denis Rixon
Cllr Glynis Sinclair
Cllr Hugh Morrison
Cllr Ian Cockburn
Cllr Ian Ramon
Cllr Ken Gowans
Cllr Alasdair Christie
Cllr Alex Graham
Cllr Alexander Macinnes
Cllr Andrew Jarvie
Cllr Andrew Sinclair
Cllr Angela Maclean
Cllr Ben Thompson
Cllr Bill Boyd
Cllr Blair Allan
Cllr Callum Smith
Cllr Carolyn Caddick
Cllr Carolyn Wilson
Cllr Craig Fraser
Cllr Deirdre Mackay
Cllr Derek Louden
Cllr Derek Macleod
Cllr Donnie Mackay
Cllr Duncan Macpherson
Cllr Elizabeth Mcallister
Cllr Emma Knox
Cllr Fiona Robertson
Cllr Gordon Adam
Cllr Graham Mackenzie
Cllr Helen Carmichael
Cllr Ian Brown
Cllr Isabelle Mackenzie
Cllr Janet Campbell
Cllr Jennifer Barclay
Cllr Jim MacGillivray
Cllr Jimmy Gray
Cllr John Bruce

Allyson Cordiner
Judith Mcmanus
Anna Macdonald
Malina MacDonald-Dawson
Fiona Callum
Norman MacArthur
Shona Henderson
Ruaridh Gollan
Duncan Chisholm
Jennifer Marshall
Chloë Bryce
Alex Urquhart-Taylor
Norman Bolton
Chrissie MacRae
William MacDonald
Elsie Mitchell
Evelyn Coull MacLeod
Angus MacLennan
Laura Howit-Zaman
Dave Francis
Simon Thoumire
Andy Cumming
Laura Baird
Laura McEwan
Rhona Jay
Virginie Bradbury
Gwen Mccrossan
Catriona Garvin
Mhairi McCarte
Ann Marie Steele Hunter
Jacquie SA
Donald MacPhee
Gillian Campbell-Thow
James MacKenzie-Blackman
Katie MacKenzie
Catherine Palmer
Megan Westmorland
Drew Hendry MP
Ian Blackford MP
Jamie Stone MP
Dolina Grant
Jennifer MacDonald
Catherine Anne Macneil
Nyree Rosemary McConnell
Dawn Macinnes
Dawn Kotschujew
Sandra Macleod
Duncan Chisholm
Irene Fraser
Carrie Afrin
Christina Macleod
Angela Fraser

Cllr John Finlayson
Cllr John Gordon
Cllr Karl Rosie
Cllr Kirsteen Currie
Cllr Laurie Fraser
Cllr Linda Munro
Cllr Liz Macdonald
Cllr Margaret Davidson
Cllr Matthew Reiss
Cllr Maxine Smith

Jo De Sylva
Elizabeth Jack
Caroline Sterritt
Susan Kennedy
Sulekha Millar
Susan Easto
Sophia Mcleod
Kirsteen Beange
Sandra Mackay

3 Aonta ri gèarr-chunntas na Coinneimh Bhliadhnail a chaidh a chumail air 25 Sultain 2020

Approval of the minutes of the Annual General Meeting of 25 September 2020

Mhol Anna NicAmhlaigh aonta a chur ris a' ghearr-chunntas. Le taic bho Sheòras Stoddart, chaidh gabhail ris a' mholadh.

Approval of the minutes was proposed by Anne Macaulay, seconded by George Stoddart and the proposal agreed.

4 Aithisg bhon Chathraiche

Chair's Report

Leis gun robh an Aithisg Bhliadhnail air loidhne a' toirt sealladh mionaideach air prògram obrach Fèisean nan Gàidheal thairis air a' bhliadhna a dh'fhalbh cha tug Anna Mhoireach, an Cathraiche, ach tarraing air puing no dhà.

Since the Annual Report, published online, gave a full account of Fèisean nan Gàidheal's programme over the past year Anna Murray, the Chair, mentioned only a few points.

Rinn Anna Mhoireach iomradh air iomadh dùbhlán a bha ron bhuidhinn ach bha i gu mòr an comain foghainteachd agus tionnsgalachd luchd-obrach Fèisean nan Gàidheal, taic bho bhuill a' Bhùird agus luchd-maoineachaidh agus cuideachd sàr-oidhirp nan saor-thoileach. Le co-obrachadh, choilean Fèisean nan Gàidheal uimhir 's a b' urrainn de chlàr-obrach na buidhne.

Despite the considerable challenges everyone has faced during the Covid-19 pandemic, Anna expressed her gratitude for the resilience and creativity of Fèisean nan Gàidheal's staff, the Board members and funders as well as the considerable effort of volunteers. This combination ensured the organisation delivered as much as possible of its programme.

Thug i taing do na prìomh bhuidhnean maoineachaidh - Alba Chruthachail, Iomairt na Gàidhealtachd is nan Eilean agus Bòrd na Gàidhlig - airson cho fosgailte 's a bha iad nan taic feadh na bliadhna agus don a h-uile buidheann eile a dh'obraich còmhla ri Fèisean nan Gàidheal.

She thanked the organisation's principal funders - Creative Scotland, HIE and Bòrd na Gàidhlig - for their flexibility and support throughout the past year and all the bodies with which Fèisean nan Gàidheal had collaborated.

Ri linn nan dùbhlán bha cothroman ann cuideachd. Feadh na bliadhna, chaidh na ceudan de luchd-ealain fhastadh, còrr is dusan coimisean ùr a thairgse agus, aig deireadh na bliadhna-ionmhais, fhuaras maoin a bharrachd bho Alba Chruthachail airson luchd-ciùil air mhuinntireas a chur an sàs ann an 9 Fèisean tron phrògram ùr Treòir.

In a time of challenges there were also opportunities. During the year, hundreds of artists were engaged, around a dozen new commissions were awarded and, towards the end of the financial year, additional funds were secured from Creative Scotland to support residencies for musicians in 9 Fèisean through the newly devised *Treòir* programme.

Thug an Cathraiche taing do na saor-thoilich air fad a chum orra a' cumail taic ris na Fèisean ionadail nuair a bha gnothaichean eile gan cumail trang. Bha e na mhisneachd a bhith a' faicinn comataidhean Fèise a' co-obrachadh gus gnìomhan air loidhne a thabhann feadh làithean-saora na sgoile às an toireadh na ceudan de dh'òigridh buannachd.

San dealachadh thuirt Anna Mhoireach gun robh e follaiseach sa bhliadhna a chaidh seachad an ìre dha bheil a' Ghàidhlig agus gabhail pàirt ann an gnothaichean cultarach co-cheangailte rithe a' cuideachadh le ar sunnd. Thuirt i gun robh Fèisean nan Gàidheal glè mhothachail air an obair a tha ri dhèanamh gnìomhan sgoinneil luachmhor nam Fèisean ath-stèidheachadh ach gum biodh a h-uile taic ann do chomataidhean ionadail.

5 Aonta ri cunntasan gu 31 Màrt 2021

Approval of accounts to 31 March 2021

Chaidh na cunntasan gu 31 Màrt 2021 a chur air beulaibh na coinneimh.

Mhol Cailean Sandilands aonta a thoirt ris na cunntasan. Thug Seòras Stoddart taic dha agus chaidh gabhail ris a' mholadh.

The Chair thanked all the volunteers who continued to support the local Fèisean while other priorities were taking up their time. It was encouraging to see Fèis committees collaborating to offer online activities during the school holiday periods from which hundreds of young people benefitted.

In concluding, Anna Murray said that one thing which was evident over the past year is the extent to which the Gaelic language and participation in associated cultural activities contributes to wellbeing. In re-stating that Fèisean nan Gàidheal is well aware of the task ahead in ensuring the Fèisean re-establish their tremendous and worthwhile activities she said every assistance would be offered to local committees.

The accounts to 31 March 2021 were presented to the meeting.

Their approval was proposed by Colin Sandilands, seconded by George Stoddart and the proposal was agreed.

6 Ath-shuidheachadh Luchd-sgrùdaidh

Re-appointment of Auditor

Chaidh a dhearbhadh gun do dh'aontaich am Bòrd Stiùiridh Mann Judd Gordon a shuidheachadh a-rithist mar luchd-sgrùdaidh airson 2021-22.

It was confirmed the Board had approved the reappointment of Mann Judd Gordon as auditors for 2021-22.

7 Cìsean Ballrachd

Membership fees

Chaidh aontachadh gum fuiricheadh cìs ballrachd nam Fèisean aig £150 airson a' bhliadhna ionmhais 2021-22.

It was agreed that the membership fee for Fèisean would remain at £150 for the financial year 2021-22.

8 GISBE

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Leis nach robh gnothach iomchaidh sam bith eile ann, chrìochnaich a' choinneamh aig 7.20f.

There being no other competent business, the meeting closed at 7.20 pm.

Fo riaghailtean a thàinig a-staigh bho Oifis Riaghladair Bhuidhnean Carthannais na h-Alba (OSCR), feumar cunntasan bliadhnail na buidhne ullachadh agus a nochdadh ann an dòigh shònraichte agus tha tòrr a bharrachd dhuilleagan san aithisg shlàn. Gheibhear na cunntasan sgrùdaichte slàn air ar làrach-lìn www.feisean.org.

Chan eil ann an seo ach ar Cunntas Gnìomhachd Ionmhasail airson na bliadhna a chrìochnaich air 31mh Màrt 2022 agus Aithisg Chothromachaidh air a' cheann-latha sin.

Under regulations introduced by the Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator (OSCR), the annual accounts of the organisation have to be prepared and presented in a particular way and run to many pages. The full audited accounts are available on our website www.feisean.org.

Only the Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 March 2022 is included here along with the Balance Sheet at that date.

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	31.03.22 Total funds	31.03.21 Total funds
	£	£	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS				
Donations and Legacies	93	-	93	2,871
Charitable activities				
Core activities	634,048	88,625	722,673	907,302
Training	4,000	-	4,000	2,000
Blas Festival	168,946	-	168,946	123,850
Fèisgoil	279,680	129,266	408,946	224,584
Gaelic residential events	7,000	-	7,000	24,000
Other trading activities	147,128	-	147,128	109,376
Investment income	106	-	106	193
Total incoming resources	1,241,001	217,891	1,458,892	1,394,176
EXPENDITURE ON				
Raising funds	1,238	-	1,238	304
Charitable activities				
Core activities	797,659	156,465	954,124	999,046
Training	3,555	-	3,555	1,950
Blas Festival	167,259	-	167,259	116,262
Fèisgoil	287,384	129,266	416,650	219,423
Gaelic residential events	5,600	-	5,600	7,890
Total	1,262,695	285,731	1,548,426	1,344,875
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	(21,694)	(67,840)	(89,534)	49,301
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS				
Total funds brought forward	322,604	79,318	401,922	352,621
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED	300,910	11,478	312,388	401,922

FÈISEAN NAN GÀIDHEAL
AITHISG CHOTHROMACHAIDH
Air 31 Màrt 2022

FÈISEAN NAN GÀIDHEAL
BALANCE SHEET
At 31 March 2022

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	31.03.22 Total funds £	31.03.21 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS				
Tangible assets	23,862	-	23,862	31,959
CURRENT ASSETS				
Debtors: amounts falling due within one year	250	183,869	184,119	43,875
Cash at bank	351,325	(152,423)	198,902	368,253
	351,575	31,446	383,021	412,128
CREDITORS				
Amounts falling due within one year	(74,527)	(19,968)	(94,495)	(42,165)
NET CURRENT ASSETS	277,048	11,478	288,526	369,963
TOTAL ASSETS LESS LIABILITIES	300,910	11,478	312,388	401,922
NET ASSETS	300,910	11,478	312,388	401,922
FUNDS				
Unrestricted funds			300,910	322,604
Restricted funds			11,478	79,318
TOTAL FUNDS			312,388	401,922