

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
OF THE MEMBERS OF THE FINTRY KIRK RESILIENCE AND
COMMUNITY TRUST HELD IN THE LESSER MENZIES HALL, FINTRY, ON
WEDNESDAY 23rd JULY 2025 AT 7.00 pm

WELCOME

PRESENT

APOLOGIES

MINUTES

The Minutes of the Extraordinary General Meeting held on 7th May 2025, which had previously been circulated electronically, were approved by [REDACTED].

CONFIRMATION

[REDACTED] detailed the confirmation of Trustees at the EGM of 7th May 2025 with the following being elected:

[REDACTED] as Chairman, [REDACTED] Joint Secretary,
[REDACTED] Joint Secretary, [REDACTED]
[REDACTED].

Appointed Trustees - Fintry Session Elder [REDACTED] and Miss [REDACTED] of the Fintry Resilience Team.

Co-Opted Trustee - [REDACTED], [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

These Trustees were unanimously agreed at the EGM on 7th May 2025.

CHAIRMAN'S
REPORT

The Fintry Kirk Resilience and Community Trust was officially established on 23rd July 2024 when given the OSCR Registration Number SC053526.

While securing charity status under the “Right to Buy” legislation

required significant effort, much has developed since that milestone.

Following the Presbytery Mission Plan - which now largely belongs to history - the Trustees have been working actively within the evolving landscape.

Over the past year, we have carried out a series of community consultations, leaflet distributions, and meetings to gather feedback and refine our strategic direction.

As a result, several key milestones have been achieved. I am pleased to provide an update of the significant progress we have made regarding the potential acquisition of the Kirk.

COMMUNITY “RIGHT TO BUY” LEGISLATION

After extensive effort and considerable form-filling, our application to register an interest in the Kirk was officially approved. As of the end of June 2025, the property was officially listed on the Register of Interest in Land.

SCOTTISH LAND FUND – STAGE 1 FUNDING SECURED

We have secured Stage 1 funding from the Scottish Land Fund to carry out a Valuation and Condition Report on the Kirk. These assessments were completed earlier this month.

The valuation provided by DM Hall is set at £20,000.

The Kirk is reported to be in good structural condition, though some maintenance and repairs - estimated at £18,000 - should be considered. Together, these findings support a strong case for negotiating a favourable purchase price.

BUSINESS PLAN

Our Business Plan, aimed primarily at the Scottish Land Fund (SLF), is now almost complete. This will be a vital instrument in securing funding for the purchase. Under the “Right to Buy” legislation, the General Trustees are obliged to engage with us in good faith.

ARCHITECTURAL HERITAGE FUND

An application/enquiry is in progress. Alongside the SLF submission, we are preparing a funding application to the Architectural Heritage Fund. These funds would either may close any gaps left by the SLF grant or address repairs or consultancy fees outlined in the Condition Report.

TITLE REGISTRATION – THE GRAVEYARD & SESSION HOUSE
Stirling Council has agreed to register their “Right to Title” to both the extensive graveyard and the Session House. We are currently awaiting confirmation that these titles have been officially entered into the Land Register of Scotland.

COMMUNITY ASSET TRANSFER – THE SESSION HOUSE
Once the Session House registration is confirmed we will submit a formal Community Asset Transfer application to Stirling Council. All associated documentation has been prepared and is ready to go.

We are optimistic that these developments are paving the way towards securing the Kirk and Session House for community use.

FINANCE

Treasurer [REDACTED] presented a detailed report of the accounts to 31.5.25. The only payment made was a £60.00 fee to complete the legal requirement to register the Trustees.

RECEIPTS:

Donations	£	2,987.90
Gift Aid Donations	£	2,400.00
Fund Raising	£	725.00
Total Receipts	£	6,112.90

PAYMENTS:

	£	60.00
Excess of Receipts over Payments	£	6,052.90
Bank Balance at 31.5.25	£	6,052.90

A.O.C.B. There was none. A vote of Thanks was given to the Chairman.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING To be confirmed.

Signed

Date