

## **Echt & Skene Community Council Extraordinary General Meeting 24<sup>th</sup> April 2019**

### **Attendees:**

Fiona Bick (Chair)  
Nick Pilbeam (Vice Chair)  
John Foulkes (Secretary)  
Klaus Wahle  
Ian MacMaster  
Cllr Iris Walker (ex officio member)

The EGM was held in private and was called in order to hold a Stage 1 investigation (as per Schedule 7 of the Scheme of Establishment) into a complaint received by the Chair on 24<sup>th</sup> April 2019 from a member of the public in respect of the conduct of one of the ESCC Community Councillors.

The complaint related to Facebook posts made by the subject of the complaint on 22 April 2019. The complainant alleged that the subject of the complaint had through the subject and tone of the posts, brought the Community Council into disrepute.

Those present all read the Facebook posts in question. It was noted that the posts were critical and that some of the language used was robust.

There was unanimous agreement that, in writing the Facebook posts in question, the subject of the complaint had been acting as a private individual and not as a Community Councillor and therefore no breach of the Code of Conduct for Community Councils had taken place.

**ACTION:** Fiona Bick to respond to the complainant with the decision of the Stage 1 investigation.

**ACTION:** John Foulkes to send a copy of the EGM minute to the Garioch Area Manager