MINUTES of the 2025 AGM of St Boswells Village Hall SCIO, held on Thursday 13 November in the Lesser Hall, commencing at 7pm.

1. The minutes of the previous (2024) AGM were approved.

2. There were no matters arising not to be covered in the AGM.

3. Treasurer's report (year ending 30 June 2025) See the document on this website, *Chair & Treasurer's report for 2025*. This was approved.

4. Chairperson's report (year ending 30 June 2025). See "Appendix 1: Achievements and performance" in the document *Chair & Treasurer's report for 2025*. Further: Chairperson Douglas Oliver noted that a celebratory event had been held on Saturday 21 September 2024 to mark the building's re-opening, following various "greening" works. Local residents, hall committee members and representatives from the funders came along to witness the achievements and enjoy coffee and refreshments. As committee chair Mr Oliver, together with the hall's secretary and fundraiser Alastair Minnis, welcomed everyone and thanked our regular hall hirers for their understanding as to why the hall had to close for the duration of the works. The various funders were also thanked for their generous support across the range of energy efficiency works then completed, as were the local tradesmen who actually did the jobs. John Farquhar and Mark Douglas, representing the Village Hall Energy Sub-Committee, gave a presentation on the achievements over the previous nine months and explained what plans were in store for future works, as we progress towards the installation of air source heat pumps. Mr Oliver commend warmly all the hard work that the sub-committee members had contributed to the future of our hall. Moreover, their community spirit had been shown by their efforts to share with others the considerable amount of knowledge they had acquired, including giving a talk at the 2023-24 AGM on 21 November 2024 on "The energy costs crisis and the greening of village halls", to which representatives from other village halls were invited. This resulted in follow-up information being disseminated, and several site visits. Mr Oliver concluded his talk by noting he was stepping down as chairperson and trustee at this AGM. He welcomed Nicola Brydon as his successor (subject to formal election) and thanked everyone with whom he had worked for all their support and their community spirit, extending back over many years.

5. Chair's announcement concerning a new management team. It was stated that Nicola Brydon was willing to serve as our new chairperson, working in association with John Farquhar as treasurer and Dorothy Farquhar as bookings coordinator. At the previous regular committee meeting, Douglas Oliver and David Whitley had announced their intention to step down as chair and treasurer respectively, and at that point John Farquhar had been welcomed as incoming treasurer.

6. Resignations and elections. Shenagh Ellershaw, Douglas Oliver, Kate Warner, and David Whitley resigned as trustees. It was noted that Sandy Rosie had resigned as trustee and bookings coordinator. The following trustees were elected: Denise Brebner, Nicola Brydon, Cliff

Ellershaw, Dorothy Farquhar, John Farquhar, Wendy Kirkpatrick, Christine Little, Alastair Minnis, and Sandra Thomas. Officer elections: Nicola Brydon as chairperson, John Farquhar as treasurer, Dorothy Farquhar as bookings coordinator, and Alastair Minnis as secretary. The names of the following people who wished to serve as “friends” of the hall were recorded: Mark Douglas, Christine Holmes, Douglas Oliver, and Kate Warner.

7. AOB. There was none.

8. Date of next AGM: to be determined.