**REPORT TO THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING BY THE CHAIR. 8TH FEBRUARY 2023.**

A very warm welcome to everyone who has come to the AGM of the Cawdor and West Nairnshire Community Benefit Organisation tonight. The Trustees meet formally four times a year to appraise applications, but we hope it is clear to all members, that we are happy to advise and guide whenever the need arises.

Our Website is in the process of being upgraded to ease its use, and to provide news in a timeous manner. The opportunity of an informal get together following this short meeting is a positive move and I am sure it will be productive and fun.

Margaret Robertson our Treasurer will give you details of all the awards Winds of Change have made in the last relevant Financial Year, and the Funds that are available for new Applications. I will not duplicate what she is about to tell the Meeting, but I can confirm that we have continued to support many worthwhile projects at Cawdor Primary School, Equipment for the Cawdor Bowling Club, and for local children’s Playparks.

Happily, we are aware of further applications which will feature the School, Connectivity, Access Routes and more and we are grateful to all potential applicants for carrying out the necessary financial appraisals before their submissions. We continue to encourage worthwhile Community Projects.

We still await the final details of the Tom Na Clach Wind Farm extension. We will of course share this news with you as soon as we have it, and will value your thoughts on the best use of the Funds available.

I would like to thank my fellow Trustees for giving their time and continued commitment.

Over now to Margaret Robertson for her Treasurer’s Report

**Signed………………………………….Chair. Gordon Robertson**

**Date…………………………………….. 8th February 2023**