

## Windfarm Panel

### Minutes of Meeting of 9th January 2023

Location – Garden Room, Gargunock Community Centre

#### 1. In Attendance

Trust representatives	Steve Barnet, John Steele
Community Council representatives	None
Community representatives	Alison Younger, Vanessa Paynton, Jackie Campbell, Nathan Anderton
Apologies	Hope Brodie, Mike Fitches, David Millar

#### 2. Approval of Minutes

Minutes were approved.

#### 3. Declarations of Interest

John for GWF 2-23 and GWF 3-23

#### 4. Current Balance of Funds available

Bank Balance:	£51,562
Awarded not paid:	£500 (Defibrillator Pads and Software)

#### 5. Applications

##### **GWF 10-22 Replacement Defibrillator Pads and Software Update**

£500 had been approved for this application by email after our October meeting. Gill Bell attended meeting to explain one set of pads had just been purchased costing £47.94, the other set will not need replaced until September 2023. It is still uncertain at this time what the cost will be for any software upgrades.

Recommendation – Grant remains open and should not exceed £500

##### **GWF 1-23 Supplemental Planting and Noticeboard for Glebe Ponds**

David Penman joined the meeting. Pond Group are requesting £376.76 for extra plants for the Glebe Ponds and for some materials to make the information board waterproof and easier to update.

Recommendation – the application was approved in full £376.76

### **GWF 2-23 First Aid Training for Toddlers Group**

Application received from Laila Steele, a member of Toddlers Group, John left the room and took no part in the discussion as John is married to Laila.

Request was for £266 to cover 10 places on a basic babies and children first aid course. Laila has also put in a request GWF 3-23 to encourage more membership of Toddlers group. Panel thought if more than 10 people could attend the first aid course then this would be good advertising for new families to join Toddlers.

After the meeting Laila confirmed that the course can take up to 20 attendees.

Recommendation – this application was approved in full £516

### **GWF 3-23 6 Month Trial of 2<sup>nd</sup> Weekly Session for Toddlers Group**

Toddlers are looking to attract more families to their group, they are planning a trial second day each week with slightly longer times, unfortunately their numbers have not recovered since the pandemic.

£483 has been requested to cover the cost of hall hire at the Community Centre and provision of snacks for 23 weeks, Toddler group will be contributing £92 from their own funds.

Recommendation – the application was approved in full £483

### **GWF 4-24 Windfarm Administration Payment**

Annual 4% payment to Trust £1,009.34

## **6. Monitoring/Feedback**

Path group grants ongoing at Ladies Walk and Watson House, these grants are weather and volunteer dependent.

Hillpath Consultation and Bees Group grant for Self-Sufficiency and School Engagement now complete, completion reports outstanding.

Gill and David updated panel about Defibrillator Pads and Pond grants when they were at meeting.

Money has been transferred to Trust for Community Centre Zero Carbon Project and to school for Theatre production.

## **7. Outstanding Action – Encouraging applications from Young People**

Panel heard an update from meeting Hope, Nathan and Jackie held in December and their plan to create a survey with a QR code that can be advertised for high school pupils and other young adults to complete, P6/7 pupils would also be asked to contribute. Hope and Jackie to have survey ready for next Bugle. **Action HB & JC**

Some additional actions were agreed after discussion.

Look at possibility of Gargunnock being included in Demand Responsive Transport (DRT) for rural areas. **Action VP**

Speak with Trust about use of ground in Glebe Park or Community Centre field to create a pump track. **Action JS**

## **8. Outstanding Action – Community Endowment Feedback from Kippen Windfarm**

Panel in agreement that we should be looking at investing money long term for either a big ticket item or to extend the number of years money will be available. Jackie to speak with Gavin about accounts paying higher rate of interest and to Jon for other guidance. At this time we are not ruling out Endowment with Foundation Scotland. **Action JC**

## **9. Trust Panel Membership**

Alison to speak with Christine about replacement for Lorna. **Action AY**

Panel will be looking for a new youth member as Hope will be leaving the panel in May, this will be advertised in The Bugle, on village Facebook page and 1-1 contact made to see if people are interested. **Action AY**

Nathan will be leaving the Windfarm panel as he is joining the Trust as a Director, Nathan was thanked for his contribution and for his offer to continue working on the action with Hope and Jackie to encourage more grant requests from young people.

Nathan's post will be offered to a community member who had previously expressed an interest in the last advertising round.

## **10. Review of 2022 Applications**

£17,354.37 was awarded during 2022. Panel would like to pass on their thanks to The Trust who sponsored other village groups to place applications, this made up 44% of all requests during 2022.

## **11. AOCB**

Nathan made a suggestion that applicants for small grants should not need to attend panel meeting, this was adopted by the panel and will hopefully encourage more small grant applications. Funding Guidelines and Terms of Reference will need to be amended to reflect these changes. **Action AY**

Jackie to ask Foundation Scotland for our video footage at Ponds. **Action JC**

## **12. Date of next meeting – 8<sup>th</sup> May 2023**