

## Hill of Fiddes Community Fund –12<sup>th</sup> February 2020

The meeting was called to order by Susan Watt at 1900 hrs at Udney Station Community Hall



### PRESENT:

Susan Watt (Chair), Judith Mackenzie (Treasurer), Nicola Strachan (Secretary), Adrian Tuckwell, Nicole Scott, Willie Grant, Eric Buchan, Janet Jones, Calum Davidson, Dave Hancock

**APOLOGIES:** Gavin Lippit, George Bruce

### MINUTES OF 19<sup>th</sup> November 2019:

Review previous meeting minutes – Agreed as correct.

Susan Watt welcomed Dave Hancock as a new committee member to represent the community of Cultercullen.

### MATTERS ARISING and CHAIRPERSON REPORT:

J Jones to confirm submission date for Foveran News is 7<sup>th</sup> March 2020. N Strachan to submit.

**ACTION: N Strachan to submit article to Foveran News**

All other actions were completed as required.

### TREASURERS REPORT and Adoption of Accounts:

Judith McKenzie advised the account was currently standing at £13,547.17 with a further deposit due from Ventient.

### APPLICATIONS:

As there were a significant number of applicants this month they were all invited to present and these were all discussed afterwards. All groups were informed of the result following the meeting.

The following applications were discussed:

Ref	Description	Group	Awarded	Votes
84	Shed	Udney Station Playgroup	£319.98	10 Approved 0 Abstained
86	Christmas Lights	Newburgh Lights/Foveran Community Council	£496.80	9 Approved 1 Abstained
87	Perennial Plants	Nicer Newburgh / Foveran Community Council	£449.35	8 Approved 2 Abstained
90	Water Boiler	Cultercullen Primary	£89.92	9 Approved 1 Abstained
89	Playground Games	Cultercullen Primary	£696.15	9 Approved 1 Abstained
85	STEM Equipment	Foveran School	£468.53	10 Approved 0 Abstained
		<u>Total Awarded</u>	£2520.73	

An application from Belhelvie Bowling Club was discussed at the meeting for £750 to replace/refurbish 2 of their sprinklers. There were a number of issues discussed in relation to this application in particular the requirement to ensure that the guidelines for applicants were being adhere to. In this instance the following 2 requirements were not met:

- The application was for £750 but no match funding was included. All bids over £500 are supposed to have matched funding.
- The applicants had not obtained more than one quote for the work to be completed. This is a requirement for large bids.

In light of the above the applicants were advised that the committee would be minded to consider their application if the above criteria could be met. This feedback was provided. It is anticipated that this may be further discussed at future meetings.

**RENEWAL OF WEB ADDRESS**

Adrian Tuckwell provided an invoice for the next years web site and email address. It was decided to approve paying this – in light of the fact that the fees are increasing it was suggested that alternatives should be sought for next year.

**DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:**

Applicants linked to the applications abstained from voting as noted above.

**MEETING CLOSE**

All members of the committee were to encourage local groups to apply for funding for projects based within the community or that provide facilities that benefit members of the community.

**NEXT MEETING:** The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2020 at 1900 in Cultercullen School Staff Room.

**Applications Submission**

**HOFS Meeting Date**

Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2020

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2020 (Cultercullen School)

Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> Aug 2020

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> Aug 2020 AGM (Udny Station Hall)

Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> Nov 2020

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2020 (Udny Station Hall)