



Minutes of the meeting held on

13th January 2021

(A virtual meeting held via Zoom)

I. Present/apologies for absence:

- **Present:** Ken Smith (Chair), Michele Bennett (Vice Chair), Sue Wallace (Treasurer), Angela May (Secretary), Hendy Spence
- **Apologies:** Meg Duckworth (Planning/Licensing)

II. Declaration of interest in any items of business

None

III. Approval of Minutes of last meeting:

Approved

IV. Stirling Councillor's Report

- No report submitted. It was agreed that a reminder about forthcoming meetings along with the agenda should be sent to the Councillors a week in advance of the meeting.

V. Police Report

- No report submitted.

VI. Treasurer's Report

- General Fund Account
The current balance in this account is £6,238.
We have just received £5,000 from Foundation Scotland for COVID-19 work and Christmas Hampers. We have spent £3,000 on the hampers with remaining to be spent on the Community Garden and other COVID related work.
We also received a grant for £1500 from Stirling Council for the Christmas lights which has been paid put to Carbon Lighting for the purchase of the lights. The lights were a success and many people will be looking forward to them being put back up next year.
- Foundation Fund:
The foundation fund balance to date is £31,604.

Foundation Scotland Budget	Description	Budget	Spend	Remaining
Commissioned Service	Community Transport Scheme	£2,500	£672	£1,828
Commissioned Activity	Continued Path Maintenance	£5,000	£4,508	£492
Commissioned Activity	Maintenance of resilience fund assets	£1,000		£1,000
Commissioned Activity	Community Notice Board	£1,500	£1,428	£72
Fintry Special Project	Community Garden & Resilience Fund	£2,000		£2,000
Fintry Special Project	Menzies Hall Resilience Hub	£11,500		£11,500
Fintry Special Project	COVID-19 Hardship and Resilience Fund	£5,160	£3,098	£2,062
Micro Grants-A	Individual Grants £250-500	£2,000	£250	£1,750
Micro Grants-B	Individual Grants £250-500	£2,000		£2,000
Main Grants	Constituted Groups £500-2500	£10,000	£2,500	£7,500
Student Study Grant	Student Study Grant	£1,000		£1,000
Administration Fee	FCC Admin work	£500	£200	£300
Post Code Lottery	COVID Grant	£2,000	£1,900	£100
	Total	£46,160	£14,556	£31,604

- The new notice board is due for delivery next week.
- The following grant applications have been received:
 - An application from Lauren Sims for a micro-grant of £250 to allow parents to access an online sensory class for members of the Fintry Buggy Club. Funding was agreed.
 - An application from Sandy Kelso for maintenance of the car park at the Sports Centre. It had previously been agreed that grants should not be awarded for maintenance reasons and there was concern that this would only be a short term fix. Ken to contact Sandy to discuss longer term plans and how the FCC can help and to consider whether or not Stirling Council could help as the car park is used for other reasons such as the mobile Post Office.
- Ken noted that there seems to be an issue with the system of applying for grants online as they are not being forwarded through.

VII. Planning

- An application for the formation of a driveway and the erection of a garage at Glendaruel (10A) Main Street. Approved with conditions.
- An application to convert old stone barn outbuildings into a private dwelling house. Approved with conditions.
- An application for a single storey timber clad extension to the rear of the property and covered patio area at 5, Menzies Drive.
- Construction and operation of Shelloch Wind Farm including five wind turbines with associated access and infrastructure including tracks, hard standing, control building, borrow pit and anemometer mast on land 2KM North West Of Wester Cringate And South Of Ling Hill Fintry.

VIII. Resilience Update

- New restrictions were announced today with regard to click and collect, takeaways, home maintenance and tighter restrictions on people leaving their homes. Shielding letters have been sent out again with some people being advised to shield until September.
- Vaccinations are beginning soon and some residents have raised concerns about travelling to the GP surgeries. Balforn Surgery have agreed to do home visits to vaccinate anyone who cannot attend and they will be starting vaccinations of the over 80's on January 23rd. Killearn Surgery will start vaccinations next week and Kippen Surgery at the end of the month.
- Requests for prescription runs and shopping have increased recently probably due to the increase of Covid-19 cases and the bad weather.
- The Christmas hampers that were funded by a Foundation Scotland grant were a great success as were the presents for the children in conjunction with Fintry Primary School and Balforn High School. Selection boxes were provided with funding from the Postcode Lottery.

- Stirling Council will be providing a sum of money for Covid-19 help. The amount will be determined once information has been sent to them.
- Trees to be planted in flood areas have been ordered but delivery may be delayed.
- Michele has requested that the grit bins be refilled and has been informed that salt piles have been delivered. Ken will check.
- A resident slipped on ice on Kippen Road and hurt their hip. The build-up of ice had been caused by a combination of blocked drains and an increase in the amount of water flowing onto the road/pavement. It was agreed to look at old maps to find out the location of burns in the area and any old drains which may be blocked. Due to Covid restrictions, Maria Lucie (Flooding Manager, Stirling Council) can only make site visits if there is an emergency but may have access to old maps. Michele to ask Maria and Ken will ask David Smith if he has any old maps. The field drain on the Sports field may need to be cleared out but this would be the responsibility of the Sports Centre. Similarly any old drains on private land would need to be cleared by the land owner.

IX. Co-option of Ian Rodger

- Stirling Council has approved this. Members of the community council present at the meeting all voted in agreement to co-opt Ian.

X. Complaint Letter

- Two complaints regarding the community council were received by Stirling Council. These were forwarded to the community council who were asked to respond as required. Stirling Council have now investigated the complaints and no further action will be taken.

XI. Correspondence

- A resident had contacted FCC regarding the installation of a charger for an electric vehicle on the front of their property. When the vehicle is being charged a trip hazard cover would be required. Michele had referred the resident to Stirling Council for their advice.
- Correspondence has been received from Robert Davies (Stirling Councillor) confirming that work on the cladding on Fintry Primary School will be done in the financial year 2021/22.
- A resident had asked for feedback from the traffic survey. This request has been passed on to Stirling Council but information and actions have been delayed.
- An email had been received requesting funding for the Fintry Museum. Money may be available at the end of the financial year if there are no more applications for the macro-grants. The majority of the community councillors present agreed that some of this money could be donated to the museum if the Memorandum of Understanding allowed this. Sue will relay this information back to the resident and also encourage them to apply for a macro-grant.
- Correspondence was received thanking FCC for the Christmas presents given to the children.

XII. A.O.B.

- Hendy Spence stood down from the resilience group.

XIII. Date of next meeting

- 10th February 2021