

Lesmahagow Community Council

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Minutes of meeting held on Thursday the 13th of October at Harris and Ollies, Lesmahagow.

1. Present Committee Members

Margaret Crow (Chair), Catriona Arthur-Inch (Co-Secretary), Ailsa Lorimer (Co-Secretary), Jane Buchan (Vice-Chair), Mark Waugh (Treasurer), James Brownlee. Shona Meikle and Gary Hilan. R=

Present non Committee Members

Robert Murray, Lisa Manson, Councillor Ross Gowland, Gillian and Julie from the Community Fairies and Willie Mitchell, Theo Philip and Fiona Lindsay from 3R Energy.

Apologies from Committee Members

No apologies noted.

2. Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes of the previous minutes were approved by all as read, with no changes required.

3. 3R Energy

Theo, Willie and Fiona from 3R Energy spoke to us about the latest windfarm development at the Hagshaw area. There will be a total of 55 turbines. There are a total of 18 turbines covering the Lesmahagow area, which will generate 5000 mega watt, this could potentially generate £540000.00 in community benefit. 3R energy joined with Scottish Power, Scottish Power own 72% and 3R Energy own 28%. A local decision making panel will be set up and will decide how the money can be accessed. There will be a meeting in November or December and Scottish Power will be in touch after that to update us.

4. Kypemuir

Ailsa advised we currently have £108000.00 in Lesmahagow's pot of of the Kypemuir fund. We all agreed this needs to be advertised more as local groups don't know about it. Ailsa also advised there will be a Kype Muir meeting in November.

5. McKirdy

Ailsa advised we have now been appointed a designer for McKirdy park and they will be in touch shortly. Dates of upcoming fundraising events are listed below:

3rd of December- Coffee morning at the Fountain

3rd of February – Race night at the Hollandbush Golf Club

1st of April- Easter disco

27th of May- tent at the Lesmahagow Show

6. Microgrants

We have so far only received 2 microgrant applications, we will set a date for a separate meeting to discuss applications.

7. Finance Report

Mark advised our current balance is £7159.00, we have a cheque that is waiting to be cashed which will bring our balance down to £7036.00. Mark asked if we could approve previous refreshment expenditure. The amounts were as follows:

April - £4.00

May - £5.80

June - £9.80

All expenditure was approved by all present.

8. Date of future meetings

AGM – Thursday the 3rd of November at Harris and Ollies.