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Minutes of meeting held on Thursday the 11th of May 2023 at the Guide District Hall, Lesmahagow.

1. Present and Apologies

Present Committee Members

Catriona Arthur-Inch (Co-Secretary), Ailsa Lorimer (Co-Secretary), Mark Waugh (Treasurer), Gary Hillan and Shona Meikle and Margaret Craw (Chairperson)

Present Non Committee Members

Rab Murray, Gordon

<u>Apologies</u>

Jane Buchan (Vice-Chair) and James Brownlee

2. <u>Previous Minutes</u>

The previous minutes were taken as read with no changes required.

3. New Member

It was agreed by all to Co-opt Gordon Lennox into the community council.

4. Cumberhead Wind Farm

Ailsa and Catriona attended the meeting with Angus Robertson Ailsa summarised what was covered in the meeting:

Key Facts

- *The community fund is to start on the 1st April 2023.
- * The installed capacity is £49.98mw (12 turbines)
- *Total of community benefit is £249,900 a year.

*50% of the community benefit has to go the REF and the other 50% to be split between Lesmahagow and Coalburn community councils.

*The community benefit fund will be open bi annually, date t.b.c

*An unspent funds will be carried over to the next round.

5. <u>Kypemuir Fund</u>

Ailsa advised change in terms of reference, due to there being a second pot of money available which will have £200.000 and will not be set amounts for each area.

6. Brokencross Windfarm

Mark summarised what was discussed at the meeting. Mark advised that £70,500 a year would be available. This can be controlled by the community council and we could set up a sub group within the council to approve applications. We would need to set up a terms of reference to manage the fund. All present at the meeting agreed we should manage the fund.

7. McKirdy Park Fundraiser

Ailsa advised we have so far raised £3491 of the needed £5500.00. Community groups are hosting fundraisers to help reach the goal. Ailsa advised we could order buckets for people to donate at the highland games. We all agreed this purchase.

8. Finance Report

Mark summarised the months finance report as follows:

Opening balance £1714.28

Closing balance £1038.42

Mark advised we still have 3 micro grant cheques that need to be cashed, we also need to pay for the use of Harris and Ollies. We all agreed to pay for travel to the

Kypemuir meeting, which worked out to be £5.67 for 6.3 miles. Approved by Margaret and seconded by Gary. We also all approved the purchase of buckets.

9. Date of next meeting

Thursday the 8th of June at the Guide Hall, Lesmahagow at 7.30pm