THE MISSION HALL TRUST

Corsenside Parish Council

7th May 2018

We are pleased to report on last year's activities as follows:

Our activities are always driven by the number of requests received from within the parish and controlled by the amount of income we receive in a year. Interest rates are still very low, which restricts the amount of income available to grant unfortunately. As always, getting our message across to the community is always a problem, and word of mouth is the only way of getting this out. That is one of the reasons we thought that a community Facebook site might reach a wider audience in the future. We have had three requests for assistance this year from university students within the parish all of whom received small grants. Subjects being studied are History, Nursing and Physics. A forth applied in December, several months after his mother had told him, but the account was empty by then! Hopefully the money goes towards books and course material and not on nights on the town! It is always tempting to give them larger awards out of capital, but then that would mean less income would be generated in following years.

Now that there are 2 wind farm community funds available, we have applied for additional funding. However, as this might be regarded as secondary funding, and not direct to the beneficiary, it may not be granted. End of May will see.

Peter Scott Clerk to the Trustees