



**Auchterless, Inverkeithny & Fisherford Community Fund
Panel Meeting
Thursday 27th September 2018 at 7.30pm
Auchterless School**

Panel Members present:

Ivy Cruickshank (IvC)
John Dennis (JD)
John Farquharson (JF)
Steven Moir (SM)
Helen Richards (HR)
Stuart Stephen (SS)
Cathy Vincent (CV)
Maggie Walker (MW)

Others present:

Iain Catto (IC) of Foundation Scotland (FS)

1. Welcome, Introductions and Apologies

CV agreed to chair the meeting once more.

2. Minutes of the Last Meeting on 5.10.2017

The minutes were approved as a correct record, proposed by MW and seconded by IvC.

3. Matters Arising

3.1 Fund Logo

Matters had been delayed somewhat due to the change of ownership of the wind farm. This would be pursued early in the new year. **Action 1: IC to liaise with Ventient and the schools in early 2019.**

3.2 Retiral of Panel members

IC had produced a paper on this subject. It was agreed that two of the five Panel members would stand down each second year from now on as per option (b) in the paper, but implementation of this would be delayed until after an agreement on the split of the Gordonstown Fund split had been agreed with Fyvie, Rothienorman & Monquhitter Community Council in the spring of next year. The matter of recruitment of Panel members would be raised at the Auchterless Residents Association and Fisherford Community Association.

4. Panel Update

4.1 Register of Interests

JD and MW updated their register entries.

5. Fund Update

5.1 Fund Statement

IC had previously circulated a fund statement, which showed total funds available to the Panel of £91,089.78, of which £17,000 had been ring-fenced for the play-park and £30,000 for the car park. Grants awarded to date had totalled £14,153.96 with no Panel expenses.

5.2 Project Variation Request

Fisherford Community Association had requested a variation to their grant award of £215 ref A374811. They wished to use the money awarded instead to help towards gardening activities in the village, and to contribute towards the upkeep of the BBQ shelter. This was agreed by the Panel.

5.3 Ownership of Wind Farm

IC advised that the owners of the Gordonstown Wind Farm were now Ventient Energy. This would have no impact on the community benefit fund.

6. Applications for Decision

6.1 Auchterless School Parent Council - A484388

Grant purpose – To purchase equipment to develop the school playground.

Declarations of Interest – IvC declared an indirect interest, remained in the room, and participated in the decision-making.

Decision – award of £10,000 subject to conditions.

6.2 Auchterless, Inverkeithny & Fisherford Community Council – A487255

Grant purpose – To purchase land to provide a playpark for residents of Auchterless.

Declarations of Interest – MW, JF and CV declared an indirect interest, remained in the room, and participated in the decision-making.

Decision – award of £20,000 subject to conditions.

6.3 Auchterless Residents Association – A486192

Grant purpose – To purchase and stock hanging baskets for the village.

Declarations of Interest – MW declared an indirect interest, remained in the room, and participated in the decision-making.

Decision – refuse the application.

7. Micro-Grants Scheme

IC had prepared a summary of the micro-grant scheme payments made to date, as follows:

	<u>Donation</u>	<u>5%</u>	<u>Paid to AIF CC</u>	<u>To Pay</u>
Infinis - Year 1	£20,000.00	£1,000.00	£1,000.00	
Infinis - Year 2	£20,643.34	£1,032.17	£1,032.17	
Infinis - Year 3	£20,908.73	£1,045.44		£1,045.44

