

## EDF Renewables Corriemoillie Wind Farm Community Benefit Fund



Year 4, 16<sup>th</sup> December 2019 – 15<sup>th</sup> December 2020



### Headlines

- **Total of 213 grants awarded since the Fund launched, to the value of £287,863**
- **Applications to, and awards from, the Education & Training Fund continued to rise, supporting learning and career progression**
- **First awards made from EDF Renewables Corriemoillie Wind Farm Community Benefit Fund (Marybank, Scatwell & Strathconon)**
- **Funds responded to Covid-19 crisis with targeted microgrant support and streamlined application/ award processes**
- **No disruption to grant making as Panel meetings moved on-line in response to Covid crisis.**

### Year Four Summary

This report provides information on the delivery of EDF Renewables Corriemoillie Wind Farm Community Benefit Funds in the communities of Contin, Lochbroom, Strathpeffer and the new Fund in Marybank, Scatwell & Strathconon as well as the area-wide Education & Training Fund, during its fourth year of operation. It covers grant making activity and impact, fund finances, promotional work and information on the governance of the Fund including the community Panels that make award decisions.

Year 4 has seen a **continued increase in applications received and awards made**. A total of £116,377 has been granted through **81 awards**, compared to 64 awards in the previous year. This includes 55 bursary awards to individuals for educational purposes. This represents **120% of the £96,950** community benefit funding provided by EDF Renewables for the year, as

Panels, in particular the Education & Training Fund Panel, have allocated monies not spent in earlier years to meet the increase in demand for funding. Although many funded projects have been delayed or will take longer to complete due to the Covid-19 pandemic, all Funds were able to continue with making grants.

**All four Community Panels have been supported** by Foundation Scotland in their award making, including the new Panel for Marybank, Scatwell & Strathconon, which made its first awards in 2020. The Panels adapted extremely well to the restrictions imposed by the pandemic, moving to online

meetings and finding flexible ways to support their communities through the crisis.

The Corriemoillie Funds have therefore **continued to make an impact across the area**, benefitting the local communities by **supporting a variety of infrastructure projects, services and activities**, such as footpaths, play areas, heritage projects, activities for young people and support for local newspapers. A record number of individuals have also received support to study, train and develop their career or business in fields as diverse as haulage, forestry, accounting and tourism.



*Boat building*



*Christmas lighting*



*Kilt making*

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# 1. Introduction

The EDF Renewables Corriemoillie Wind Farm Community Benefit Fund is a charitable fund established to benefit people living in the community council areas of Contin; Garve & District; Lochbroom; Marybank, Scatwell and Strathconon; and Strathpeffer (the Area of Benefit). This report covers the operation of the Fund from 16 December 2019 to 31 December 2020, its fourth year of operation.

The Fund is linked to EDF Renewables' Corriemoillie Wind Farm in Ross-Shire and annual donations equate to £5,000 per MW of installed capacity at the Wind Farm per year. The donations to the Fund rise annually in accordance with the Consumer Price Index. Based on the wind farm export capacity of 48.45MW, the funding totalled £242,250 in the first year of operation (2016 - 2017) and has risen to £269,305 in Year 4. The funding is expected to continue for the operating lifetime of the wind farm, which is likely to be 25 years.

The Fund is split into six sub-funds. Each community council area has its own local community fund, and there is an Education and Training Fund covering all five community council areas. The Education and Training Fund accounts for 20% of the overall funding with the remaining 80% split across the five communities as follows:

<b>Community council area</b>	<b>Proportion of remaining funds</b>
Contin	7%
Garve & District	80%
Lochbroom	1%
Marybank, Scatwell & Strathconon	5%
Strathpeffer	7%

This report covers those sub-funds held and administered by Foundation Scotland and therefore not the Garve & District sub-fund, which is administered by the Lochluichart Community Trust.

The report firstly sets out an overall financial summary, then provides details for each sub-fund as follows:

- The sub-fund priorities for grant-making
- Applications received and awards made during the year
- A financial statement
- The difference the Fund is making
- Key issues and challenges for the sub-fund going forward
- Governance arrangements
- Marketing and communications activity

## 2. Financial Statement

**Statement Period: 16 December 2016 to 15 December 2020**

### Income

Year 1 - EDF Renewables Donation	28/09/2017	£77,520.84
Year 1 - Interest Receipt	31/12/2017	£29.43
Year 2 - EDF Renewables Donation	02/08/2018	£87,335.00
Year 2 - Interest Receipt	31/12/2018	£66.06
Year 3 - EDF Renewables Donation	10/06/2019	£9,690.00
Year 3 - EDF Renewables Donation	24/06/2019	£89,081.56
Year 4 - EDF Renewables Donation	30/01/2020	£96,950.64
<b>Sub Total</b>		<b>£360,673.53</b>

### Expenditure

Grants released in period:		
Education and Training Fund		£160,076.40
Contin Community Fund		£23,511.00
Strathpeffer Community Fund		£47,650.95
Lochbroom Community Fund		£8,137.45
Marybank, Scatwell & Strathconon Community Fund		£14,346.11
Grants to be released:		£26,030.07
Fund Expenses		£667.88
<b>Sub Total</b>		<b>£280,419.86</b>

**Balance going forward** **£80,253.67**

### Breakdown of balance going forward by sub-fund

Education and Training Fund	£13,844.38
Contin Community Fund	£32,449.86
Strathpeffer Community Fund	£8,322.23
Lochbroom Community Fund	£0.00
Marybank, Scatwell & Strathconon Community Fund	£25,637.20
<b>Total</b>	<b>£80,253.67</b>



### 3. EDF Renewables Corriemoillie Wind Farm Education & Training Fund

EDF Renewables Corriemoillie Wind Farm Education & Training Fund was established to support a range of specific outcomes:

- a) More individuals resident within the Area of Benefit are equipped with the range of skills and confidence required to enter into and retain employment in the key sectors the Fund supports;
- b) Micro / small businesses are able to create new job opportunities or retain existing jobs that may benefit individuals resident in the Area of Benefit;
- c) Micro / small businesses that employ individuals from the Area of Benefit have the necessary skills and confidence to grow and sustain their operations in order to secure their long-term future.

The Fund continued to focus on the following priority sectors in 2020:

**Priority 1:** Renewables and energy industry related.

**Priority 2:** Engineering, construction and related trades, health & safety, and STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Maths and Digital).

**Priority 3:** Industries which will benefit job retention in the area, including tourism, forestry and timber technologies, rural development, agriculture (including crofting), environmental conservation,

estates management, aquaculture / fisheries management, equestrian, other land-based industries, food & drink, health and social care, creative industries, life sciences, finance and business services, haulage, education and other sectors generating benefits for the local community.

**Priority 4:** Other education courses that enhance employability and the success of micro (1-10 employees) and small (11-50 employees) sized businesses, including ability to set up and grow your own business. Examples are: marketing & sales, IT & web development, managing staff, accounts / financial management, entrepreneurship and business sustainability.

During 2020, Corriemoillie Education & Training Fund offered awards under three distinct strands:

- Bursaries to support individual's costs of attending training, education courses or apprenticeships with a maximum award level of £1,500 in year 1 of the course, £1,000 in year 2, and £300 each in years 3 and 4
- Support to businesses through the funding of mentoring packages (up to £4,000), staff training (up to £1,500) and the employment of apprentices (up to £3,000)
- Support of up to £3,000 for activities that enable individuals to develop their career aspirations and journey. This includes access to learning

resources that support the development of career aspirations,

employability, and links with employers.

### 3.1 Awards

In total, the Fund made 62 awards during the year: 55 bursaries for individuals; three awards to support businesses – one towards staff training at Strathpeffer Golf Club and two to support mentoring for Create Youth

Theatre in Ullapool; and four awards to support career aspirations and journeys, summarised below. A full list of awards made during the year is given in Appendix One.

Awardee	Amount	Purpose of Award
HIE	£2,350	To help fund trips to Dingwall Newton Room for all schools in the Fund area.
Social Enterprise Academy	£3,000	To fund a 5 day Social Enterprise Academy Masterclass in Ullapool.
Ullapool Sea Savers	£1,850	To fund an event where young people can learn about working in marine conservation, make contact with a range of local and national organisations and be inspired to seek employment in this sector.
Ullapool High School	£2,000	To contribute towards the Enviro Link Project, which will provide 36 S3 pupils with work experience in the conservation sector, link them with employers, and inspire career choices in nature conservation.

The total value of awards made was £71,905.89, bringing the total awarded over the first four years of the Education & Training Fund to £193,257.69.

The number of awards made has increased year-on-year as the Fund becomes better known throughout the area. From 12 awards in the first year, there was an increase to 35 awards in year two, 54 awards in year three and 62 in year four.

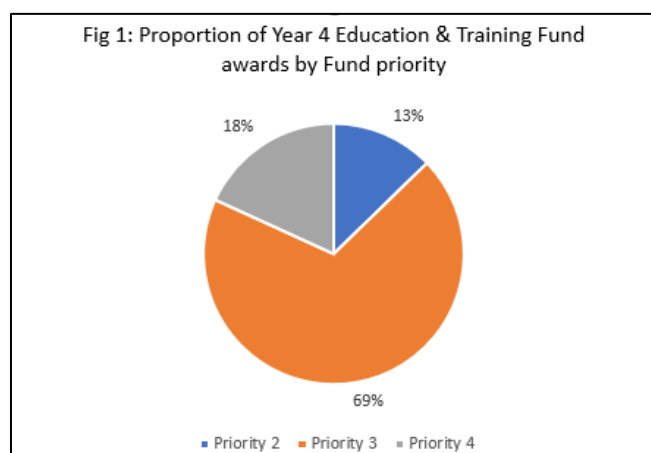
Under the bursary strand, support from the Fund enabled individuals to attend a wide variety of courses. 43% of these awards were for undergraduate courses, from National Certificate to degree level, which were, in the main, being undertaken by recent school

leavers. These were taking a wide range of courses including in architecture, nursing, law, heritage, childcare and rural business management. 4% of awards were made for post graduate courses. These applicants were seeking further specialist professional qualifications to enhance their career.

Short courses accounted for 38% of awards made. These ranged from deer stalking to kilt making, gymnastic coaching to LGV training, gaelic to dog first aid. Awardees varied in age and employment status, with some seeking to enhance an established career, whilst others were embarking on a new career direction. Two apprentices were supported (4%) – one training to be a car mechanic and one a joiner.

Six awards (11%) were made to part-fund the cost of driving lessons, on the basis that driving was essential for the applicant to access work or training. These awards were capped at £500.

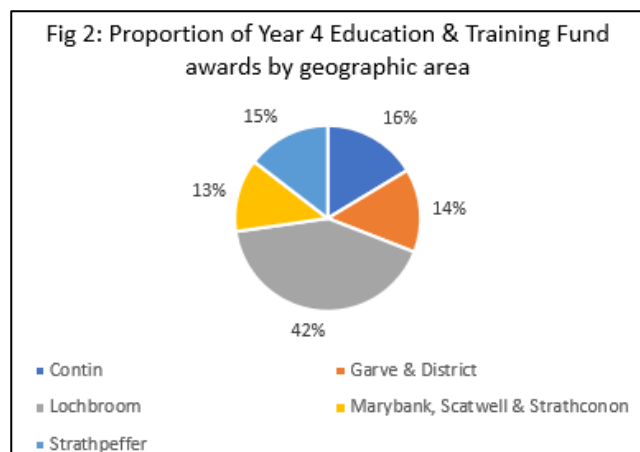
As the chart below illustrates, in 2020 13% of all awards related to Fund Priority 2 sectors; 69% to Priority 3 and 18% to Priority 4. There were no awards in Priority 1 sectors.



In terms of geographical spread, 42% of bursary awards were made to applicants in Lochbroom, which is by far the largest of the community council areas served by the Fund in terms of both area and population.

Nonetheless, in comparison with previous years there continues to be a better geographical spread of awards throughout the

Area of Benefit. 16% of awards were made to residents of Contin; 15% to Strathpeffer; 14% to residents of Garve and District; and 13% to Marybank, Scatwell and Strathconon.



In year 3 by comparison, 56% of awards went to Lochbroom applicants; 13% to Garve and District; 6% to Marybank, Scatwell and Strathconon; 17% to Contin, and 8% of awards went to Strathpeffer.

Six applications were withdrawn prior to assessment due to ineligibility of some of the requested expenditure or issues with retrospective funding, and a total of three applications were rejected by the Panel as they did not meet with the Fund outcomes and priorities. This gives a conversion rate of applications to awards of 86%.



### 3.2 Financial Statement

<b>Income</b>	
Year 1 EDF Renewables donation	£48,450
Year 1 Interest	£19
Year 2 EDF Renewables donation	£48,519
Year 2 Interest	£42
Year 3 EDF Renewables donation	£49,420
Year 4 EDF Renewables donation	£53,861
Total Income	£200,311
<b>Expenditure</b>	
Grants paid to 15 Dec 2020	£160,076
Grants approved not paid	£26,030
Fund expenses (Panel meeting venue hire and travel)	£360
<b>Balance going forward</b>	<b>£13,844</b>

### 3.3 What Difference is the Fund making?

Over the first four years of the Fund, a total of 151 bursary awards have been made and accepted. 27 of these were repeat awards, therefore 124 individuals have been supported.

The EDF Renewables Corriemoillie Wind Farm Education and Training Fund has made an impact through:

- Addressing the added costs people in rural areas face in accessing education and training, in particular travel costs.
- Supporting people in accessing training in sectors experiencing significant skills shortages in the Highlands, such as engineering,

nursing and teaching.

- Providing a flexible source of funding which can support learners to take courses which do not benefit from government funded bursaries, such as advanced professional qualifications.

The case studies below provide examples of individuals and organisations supported through the Fund.

### 3.4 Case Studies

#### New qualifications to progress a nursery business

Lochbroom resident Merlin set up an outdoor nursery in Ullapool. She received an award of £1,500 towards the course fees and childcare costs while she studied for a Higher National Certificate in Childhood Practice at West Highland College. The qualification is necessary for working long term in the outdoor nursery and, once qualified, students can register with Scottish Social Services Council at practitioner level. As well as gaining this registration, Merlin found the course to be very useful for developing her knowledge and skills in this sector.



**“The course is brilliant! As a mother who has not been working for most of the past five years, it has been fantastic to have the support from the Fund to follow a new career path.”** Merlin

#### Tools of the trade for an apprentice motor mechanic.



Connor MacLeod lives in Marybank and began a modern apprenticeship with Aird Motors in Beauly in 2019. He is now in the second year of a three-year apprenticeship as a motor mechanic. Connor applied to the EDF Corriemoillie Education & Training Fund for help to buy the set of tools he needs for this role. He was awarded £1,400.00 in January 2020 over two years, towards the overall cost of tools which was around £1,500. £700 is the maximum amount applicants can receive for funding equipment costs in any one year.

**“I am so thankful for the award I received. It has helped me buy the tools I need to do my mechanic apprenticeship.”** Connor

### **Learning the traditional skill of kilt making to develop a new career**

Garve resident Jemima received an award of £1,500 in October 2020. This contributed to course fees and other expenses related to the Bespoke Tailored Kilt course with Askival of Strathearn Kiltmakers in Perthshire. Her aim is to learn the skill of kilt making and initially generate employment alongside her current job in marketing, hoping that she can build up a business and ultimately work full time as a kilt maker in the Fund area.



**"The Corriemollie Education and Training fund enabled me to undertake a course in bespoke kilt making - a skill I have wanted to learn for years. I plan to continue my learning and master the art, which I've heard takes a great deal of work, but now I have learnt the basic skills I can only go forward from here. I am extremely grateful to the fund and think it's great there is help out there for local people."** Jemima

### **Increasing skills and employability through an LGV training course.**

Lucy Stewart comes from Garve and is currently in the second year of a Business degree at the University of Glasgow. After graduating, her aim is to ultimately work in the family haulage business. Lucy was awarded £1,485 in August 2019 which covered the full cost of an intensive training course as well as all the associated test fees and medical certificate required to qualify as an LGV (Large Goods Vehicle) driver.

**"The Fund has given me a fantastic opportunity to progress with my chosen career path a lot quicker than I could have managed myself"** Lucy





### 3.5 A Responsive Fund

As in so many sectors, the major challenge for the Fund and awardees over the year was dealing with impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic and associated lockdown. The Panel met face to face in early March 2020, before the lockdown and social distancing restrictions came into effect. The second meeting of the year was carried out as a telephone conference call. This was to allow Panel members with broadband issues to be able to participate and was found to be an effective platform. There was no drop in application numbers due to the pandemic, but many applicants have been affected by delays to their training. The Panel and Foundation Scotland have sought to be as flexible as possible, giving applicants more time to complete their training and extending monitoring deadlines where necessary.

For the second time, the Panel awarded more funds over the year than the Fund received as the annual donation, using underspend accrued over previous years to do so. As

interest in the Fund continues to grow and numbers of applications increase further, Foundation Scotland will work with the Panel to identify options for prioritising which applications should receive support.

A pattern has emerged of a relatively low level of applications for the first round in the year (15 in year four), typically in January, with a much larger number of applications in the second round (36), normally in August, and probably related to the academic year as undergraduates seek to begin courses. There was also a larger number of short notice applications (11), which are decided on by email.

To spread this out more evenly over the year and enable more applications to be discussed at Panel, rather than by email, and particularly if more prioritisation is to be required going forward, the Panel has agreed that the Fund will move to three decision making rounds in 2021/22 with deadlines in June, October and February.

### 3.6 Governance

The EDF Renewables Corriemoillie Wind Farm Education and Training Fund Panel makes decisions on how the Fund is spent and helps promotes the opportunity to apply locally. It also advises on overall fund strategy.

The Panel comprises one community member from each of the five community council areas, plus representatives from business and skills/training agencies.

Panel members are expected to serve between two and four years. It is the intention that Panel members should retire on a staggered basis in order to retain experience.

The Panel had nine members at the start of 2020, with space for another four members. Andrew Johnston stepped down as HIE Science Skills Academy representative in 2019 as he moved on from the Academy, and has

been replaced by his colleague, Emma Robertson. Andy Maxtone retired at the end of 2020 and will be replaced by a colleague from Developing the Young Workforce

Inverness & Central Highlands (hosted by Inverness Chamber of Commerce).

Panel members at 15 December 2020 were:

<b>Community/ Sector</b>	<b>Panel Representative</b>
Contin	Christopher Buxton
Garve & District	Sue Tarr
Lochbroom	Peter Harrison
Marybank, Scatwell & Strathconon	Christine Mackintosh
Strathpeffer	Archie Macnab
Industry/Business	Sheree Grant (local business representative)
Industry/Business	Andy Maxtone (Developing the Young Workforce Inverness & Central Highland)
Skills/Training Agencies	Emma Robertson (HIE Science Skills Academy)
Skills/Training Agencies	Lynne Reid (Construction Industry Training Board)

### 3.7 Communications

Foundation Scotland, alongside the Fund Panel, sought to raise the profile of the Fund through a variety of channels during 2020, which are set out in the table below.

<b>Channel</b>	<b>Notes/Impact</b>
<b>Press</b>	<p>"Fund help can open new doors" Ross-shire Journal 26.6.20</p> <p>"Fund helps support outdoor learning" Ross-shire Journal 23.10.20</p> <p>"Training fund from EDF renewables could help businesses and individuals in Contin, Garve, Lochbroom, Marybank, Scatwell and Strathconon access new educational opportunities." Ross-shire Journal 15.12.20</p>
<b>Websites</b>	<p>The main Fund webpage saw 2,198 visits of which 1,493 were unique. <a href="https://www.foundationscotland.org.uk/programmes/corriemoille-education-and-training/">https://www.foundationscotland.org.uk/programmes/corriemoille-education-and-training/</a></p> <p>Promotion on local websites such as strathpeffer.org and garve.org</p>



<b>Social Media</b>	<p>Promotion on Foundation Scotland (2,354 facebook and 5,029 twitter followers) and local social media sites</p> <p>Corriemoillie facebook and twitter accounts created in 2020 (82 followers)</p>
<b>Direct Contact</b>	<p>Promotion via local newsletters, schools, and other stakeholders in advance of each application deadline</p> <p>Summary of awards sent to Panel and all five Community Councils</p>
<b>Posters</b>	Via local notice boards at community venues, shops etc
<b>Enquiries received</b>	Ad hoc queries from potential applicants, requests from the press and public for information, etc.
<b>Publicity advice to awardees</b>	"Acknowledging your grant" publicity advice sheet appended to grant offer letters (for non-bursary awards)

## 4. EDF Renewables Corriemoillie Wind Farm Community Benefit Fund - Contin

The EDF Renewables Corriemoillie Wind Farm Community Benefit Fund (Contin) aims to **support projects that will provide positive change and strategic impact.**

In particular, projects that will:

- enhance quality of life for local residents;
- contribute to vibrant, healthy, successful and sustainable communities;
- promote community spirit and encourage community activity.

Contin Community Council carried out a consultation in May 2015 on priorities for the area and developed a list of proposed projects. This was updated through open days held in 2017 and 2018 and includes projects relating to access and to heritage.

Applicants are asked to demonstrate how their project contributes to the priorities identified through the consultation. However, the Panel will fund projects outwith the priorities and recognise that local needs and opportunities are likely to change over time.

The maximum award is £3,000.

### 4.1 Awards

Four awards were made during the year, totalling £8,722. Awards made in the first three years of the Fund totalled £14,789, bringing the total awards made by end of year four to 15 in number and £23,511 in value.

Reference	Applicant	Award	Project Cost	Project Summary
A539958	Contin Community Council	£5,000.00	£7,000.00	To commission a community transport feasibility study.
A540096	Music in Hospitals and Care	£300.00	£900.00	To fund one musical performance at a healthcare venue serving Contin
A568373	Contin Community Council	£2,744.00	£10,344.00	To fund the initial development work and feasibility study for a large community heritage project that will establish and promote the significance of historical sites in Contin.

A557892	Contin Community Council	£678	£678	To provide a fund for distribution to groups and individuals for general charitable purposes in the form of micro-grants.
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No awards were rejected by the Panel so the conversion rate from award to application was 100%.

## 4.2 Financial Statement

<b>Income</b>	
Year 1 EDF Renewables donation	£13,566
Year 1 Interest	£5
Year 2 EDF Renewables donation	£13,585
Year 2 Interest	£13
Year 3 EDF Renewables donation	£13,838
Year 4 EDF Renewables donation	£15,081
Total Income	£56,088
<b>Expenditure</b>	
Grants paid to 15 Dec 2020	£23,511
Grants approved not paid	£0
Fund expenses (Panel meeting venue hire and travel)	£127
<b>Balance going forward</b>	<b>£32,450</b>

priority projects identified by the Community Council in their consultations. In particular, **history and heritage projects and walks** (What Contin Means to Me oral history project, and the extension of that project with a further award in year four of the Fund) and **improved communications** (funding for the Contin Post in year 3 provided a valuable source of reliable information to residents throughout the pandemic). Commissioning the community transport study was a significant piece of work during the year, and an example of the Panel reacting to a specific local need and taking a proactive approach to seeking a solution to a pressing local issue (see case study information below).

In terms of Foundation Scotland's impact categories, in 2020 one project each was funded in relation to:

- **improving health**
- **improving access to local services**
- **connecting people to heritage**
- **maximising the ability to strengthen community cohesion and build social capacity**

## 4.3 What difference is the Fund making?

Projects supported by the Fund in its first four years have contributed to delivering the

## 4.4 Case Study

### Investigating rural transport solutions

Contin Community Council (CCC) organised a public meeting in February 2020 to gauge community feeling about the issue of local bus services being cutback. 75 people attended and expressed concerns about accessing health and leisure services, travel to and from nursery, linking with onward travel connections beyond Dingwall and Inverness and also getting to work.

Given the strength of feeling about this issue, CCC had discussions with the bus company, the local authority and other community councils who were affected. With support from Highland Council and Foundation Scotland, they set up a steering group involving the neighbouring communities of Garve, Strathpeffer and Marybank.

Funding of £5,000 was approved by the Panel for EDF Corriemoillie Wind Farm Community Benefit Fund in March 2020 to commission a community transport study and ascertain demand and feasibility for a local shuttle bus service or other methods of improving local transport connectivity and sustainability.

CCC appointed an experienced contractor to look at current service provision in the immediate and wider area; review existing community transport models and schemes in other areas; carry out community consultations to identify demand; and develop initial costings and proposals for a pilot shuttle

bus service linking the communities with each other and with onward travel connections.

Much of the consultation was carried out online and by telephone but the consultant was also able to organise outdoor, socially distanced events in each of the relevant villages (image below).

As a result of the study, the Community Council is now working with Community Support and Information Ross-shire to pilot a bus service at the key times of the day identified by the study. CCC is also now promoting carshare schemes as an alternative and is looking to investigate better cycle routes and e-bikes as part of a wider community transport project. There is potential for charging points at the new community hall.



**"The very professional feasibility study has provided us with a choice of options which, in consultation with our residents, will enable us to find solutions to the lack of transport at very specific and critical times of the day. The study itself will also be very helpful in preparing funding applications."**

Norma Ross, Contin Community Council

## 4.5 A Responsive Fund

As with all other Panels supporting EDF Renewables Corriemoillie Wind Farm Community Benefit Fund, the Contin Panel had to move to an online decision-making process, with the first meeting of the year held by telephone conference and the second by zoom. The Panel took all necessary changes in its stride.

Only three applications were received during 2020, leaving the Fund with a fairly large underspend which has built up over preceding years. When this issue was raised in 2019 it was thought that the opening of the new community hall would likely generate more community activity and result in more applications to the Fund. However, due to COVID-19, completion of the hall was delayed and it is now due to open in spring/summer 2021. It is anticipated that applications either relating to the hall or to groups using the hall will follow.

The Panel responded quickly to a significant issue which occurred pre-pandemic - a significant cut to public transport services. Working through the Community Council and in partnership with neighbouring communities and the local authority, a community transport study was commissioned (see case study above) demonstrating how the Fund can be used strategically and proactively to address specific local issues as they arise.

The microgrant scheme was used effectively over the year to support pandemic related initiatives such as food and meal provision in the community to those who most needed it, allowing the Fund to respond quickly to local need.

## 4.6 Governance

The Contin Panel makes decisions twice each year on how the Fund is spent and helps promote the Fund locally. The Panel can comprise one nominee of Contin Community Council and up to six other representatives from the community.

Panel members at 15 December 2020 were:

Lisa Miller  
Fiona Penfold  
Selina Rennie  
Norma Ross  
Vicki Ross  
Bill Wood  
Phil Baarda/Sherry Morris

A Panel vacancy was advertised locally in 2020 and filled in a job-share capacity by a local couple, Phil Baarda and Sherry Morris, who will take turns attending meetings.



## 4.7 Communications

Foundation Scotland, alongside the Fund Panel, sought to raise the profile of the Fund through a variety of channels during 2020, which are set out in the table below.

Channel	Notes/Impact
<b>Press</b>	<p>"Village bid to restore vital links" Highland News 28.5.20</p> <p>"Communities around Contin probe new transport solutions after bus blow - EDF Corriemoillie Contin Community Fund helps Ross-shire transport probe." Ross-shire Journal 31.5.20</p> <p>"Deadline call on EDF Renewables Corriemoillie Contin Community Fund bids" North Star 19.7.20</p> <p>"Wind farm community funding from EDF Renewables helps provide gymnastics classes in Marybank and boosts Contin community history project" Ross-shire Journal 5.1.21</p> <p>Regular articles in The Contin Post – local newspaper delivered to all households bi-monthly</p>
<b>Websites</b>	<p>The main Fund webpage saw 369 visits of which 278 were unique. Regularly updated with awards, deadlines etc</p> <p><a href="https://www.foundationscotland.org.uk/apply-for-funding/funding-available/corriemoillie-contin">https://www.foundationscotland.org.uk/apply-for-funding/funding-available/corriemoillie-contin</a></p> <p>Promotion on local website – contincommunitycouncil.org</p>
<b>Social Media</b>	<p>Promotion on Foundation Scotland (2,354 facebook and 5,029 twitter followers) and local social media sites</p> <p>Corriemoillie facebook and twitter accounts set up in 2020 (83 followers)</p>
<b>Posters</b>	Via local notice boards at community venues, shops etc
<b>Enquiries received</b>	Ad hoc queries from potential applicants, requests from the press and public for information, etc.
<b>Publicity advice to awardees</b>	"Acknowledging your grant" publicity advice sheet appended to grant offer letters.

## 5. EDF Renewables Corriemoillie Wind Farm Community Benefit Fund - Strathpeffer

Strathpeffer Community Fund aims to **support projects which will provide positive change and strategic impact**. In particular projects that will:

- enhance quality of life for local residents;
- contribute to vibrant, healthy, successful and sustainable communities;
- promote community spirit and encourage community activity.

**Projects should also relate to Strathpeffer Community Action Plan** which has been developed to prioritise activity for the period 2019 - 2024 reflecting the themes of: **sharing and connecting; visitors staying longer; and an even better place to live**. The plan is available at <https://www.strathpeffer.org/community-action-plan/>

These priorities may change when the Fund is reviewed annually by the Panel.

The maximum award is £3,000.

### 5.1 Awards

Reference	Applicant	Award	Project Cost	Project Summary
A544809	Strathpeffer Pavilion	£2,646.00	£2,646.00	To fund insurance costs for Strathpeffer Pavilion
A543847	Strathpeffer Community Council	£1,500.00	£1,500.00	To fund software and printing costs for a community newspaper
A543861	Strathpeffer Community Association	£3,000.00	£3,000.00	To develop the area of ground to the rear of the community centre to make it suitable for use as an outdoor play and activity space for use by the children and child-based groups that attend the centre year round.
A545832	Pefferly Way Association	£3,000.00	£111,948.00	To help fund a section of safe low level foot and cycle path between Strathpeffer and Dingwall.

A545837	Museum of Childhood	£500.00	£720.00	To fund a new printer and IT training for volunteers to improve interpretation materials
A562414	Strathpeffer Pavilion	£2,680.00	£2,680.00	To fund a lawn tractor and brushcutter to maintain the Pavilion Gardens.
A573242	Strathpeffer & District Community Rowing Club	£3,000.00	£4,169.99	To purchase materials, safety equipment and a trailer to complete a second boat and increase the opportunities for coastal rowing.
A580185	Strathpeffer Community Council	£1,962.95	£1,962.95	To fund purchase of new Christmas lights and install new connection points to improve the Christmas display in the village.

Eight awards were made during the year, totalling £18,288.95. This included the re-purposing of an award of £3,000.00 previously made to Strathpeffer Community Association: plans for a youth work project in 2018 did not go ahead due to staff changes at the Association, so they requested the award be used to develop ground around the community centre as an outdoor play area.

Awards made in the first three years of the Fund totalled £29,362, bringing the total awards made to date to £47,650.95 in value, 25 in number.

Ten applications were received in the year. One was rejected due to ineligibility of the applicant organisation and one was deferred by the Fund Panel as it related to delivering music sessions in a local care home, which

could not be done during the pandemic (a conversion rate of 80% from application to award).

## 5.2 Financial Statement

<b>Income</b>	
Year 1 EDF Renewables donation	£13,566
Year 1 Interest	£5
Year 2 EDF Renewables donation	£13,585
Year 2 Interest	£6
Year 3 EDF Renewables donation	£13,838
Year 4 EDF Renewables donation	£15,081
Total Income	£56,081
<b>Expenditure</b>	
Grants paid to 15 Dec 2020	£44,651
Grants approved not paid	£3,000
Fund expenses (Panel meeting venue hire and travel)	£108
<b>Balance going forward</b>	<b>£8,322</b>

### 5.3 What difference is the Fund making?

The Fund continues to support a wide range of projects, ensuring residents throughout the community benefit, in line with the local community plan.

In terms of Foundation Scotland's impact categories, one of the projects supported led

to **better access to the environment**, one to **improving skills and education**, two to **health improvements** and four to **maximising ability to strengthen community cohesion and build social capital** locally.

The following case studies illustrate how funded projects are contributing to the improvement of community assets and local quality of life.

### 5.4 Case Studies

#### Supporting community rowing in Strathpeffer

Strathpeffer and District Community Rowing Club (SDCRC) was formed in 2017 to provide opportunities for people in landlocked Strathpeffer to get involved in boat building and in social and competitive coastal rowing.

Since its formation, SDCRC has successfully self-built and launched a St Ayles skiff and created a secure storage unit and base at Foulis on the Cromarty Firth. These were part funded by two grants from this Fund of £2,000.00 each. The skiff was launched in September 2018 and has been in regular use since. The Club attended regatta events throughout 2019 including the Castle to Crane event in Glasgow and Monster the Loch in Loch Ness. SDCRC organised its own regatta at Foulis in August 2019 which was well attended and has held many successful "come and try" days.

Given the expansion of its membership and the popularity of boat building and coastal rowing as an activity, SDCRC decided to build a second skiff and began fundraising for this in 2019. The Club secured grants from the Cromarty Port Authority and the local



Mackenzie New York Villa Trust to purchase the basic boat kit. The group received an award of £3,000 in November 2020 from the EDF Renewables Corriemoillie Wind Farm Community Benefit Fund (Strathpeffer) in order to complete the boat build, fit it out with the necessary safety equipment and purchase a trailer.

The three awards from the Fund have helped the group to evolve at each key stage of their development, contributing to the build costs of both boats and also helping to secure a storage facility for the Club. This has allowed

local residents of all ages to experience the process of boat building and to participate in the popular sport of coastal rowing.

Membership reached a peak of 70 prior to the pandemic restrictions on rowing.

**“Without all this support the Club would not have progressed and been in a position to offer coastal rowing to more new Members of all ages. All participants have let the Trustees know that taking part in coastal rowing has been of huge benefit both for improvement of physical and mental health.”** Tor Justad

## Lighting up the community

Strathpeffer Community Council is a proactive organisation which takes a lead role in many development and improvement projects in the village, from producing a community newspaper to leading on consultation for a community action plan in 2018. One need identified from the consultation work was to improve the Christmas light display in the village. This was seen as a means of improving the look and atmosphere of the village for residents and visitors alike during the dark winter months. In 2019, funding was secured to purchase and install a new set of Christmas lights which were mounted on lampposts in the centre of the village. This Fund paid for the electrical connection for the lights (£1,440).

Feedback from residents about the new lights was very positive and an aspiration was expressed to extend the display further along the main road to complete the effect and



improve the overall appearance of the village over the festive period. An award of £1,962.95 in November 2020 paid for a further 4 sets of decorations and connections, providing a light display throughout the main village street.



## 5.5 A Responsive Fund

The Panel has successfully allocated most of the funding provided by EDF Renewables in the last four years to a variety of projects which will have a positive impact on the community.

During 2020, the Panel adapted to the social distancing restrictions imposed due to the pandemic; the first meeting of the year was conducted by telephone conference and the second by video conference. The Panel also continues to make use of the short notice decision making option where decisions can be made by email between Panel meetings if necessary.

A Fund Review was held in 2020. Generally, the Panel was happy about the range of projects and types of groups supported to date and also appreciative of Foundation Scotland's support. The Panel was content with the grant

making process but agreed to enable the option of awarding more than £3,000 to projects where particular need and community benefit could be demonstrated.

## 5.6 Governance

The Strathpeffer Panel makes decisions on how the Fund is spent and helps promote the Fund locally.

Panel membership is comprised of the members of Strathpeffer Community Council. Panel members at 15 December 2020 were:

Val Macgregor  
Gail MacLean  
Peter MacLellan  
Archie Macnab  
Ron McAulay  
Neil Moscrop  
Duncan MacPhail

## 5.7 Communications

Foundation Scotland, alongside the Fund Panel, sought to raise the profile of the Fund through a variety of channels during 2020, which are set out in the table below.

Channel	Notes/Impact
<b>Press releases</b>	<p>"Wind farm spin off to benefit Strath schemes" Ross-shire Journal 29.5.20</p> <p>"Fresh funding up for grabs" Ross-shire Journal 22.1.21</p> <p>Fund awards and deadlines promoted in the local newsletter Strath Times</p>
<b>Websites</b>	The main Fund webpage saw 246 visits of which 175 were unique. Regularly updated with awards, deadlines etc

	<a href="https://www.foundationscotland.org.uk/apply-for-funding/funding-available/corriemoillie-strathpeffer">https://www.foundationscotland.org.uk/apply-for-funding/funding-available/corriemoillie-strathpeffer</a> Promotion on local website – strathpeffer.org
<b>Social Media</b>	Promotion on Foundation Scotland (2,354 facebook and 5,029 twitter followers) and local social media sites Corriemoillie facebook and twitter accounts set up in 2020 (83 followers)
<b>Posters</b>	Via local notice boards at community venues, shops etc
<b>Enquiries received</b>	Ad hoc queries from potential applicants, requests from the press and public for information, etc.
<b>Publicity advice to awardees</b>	“Acknowledging your grant” publicity advice sheet appended to grant offer letters.

## 6. EDF Renewables Corriemoillie Wind Farm Community Benefit Fund – Marybank, Scatwell & Strathconon

The EDF Renewables Corriemoillie Wind Farm Community Benefit Fund (Marybank, Scatwell & Strathconon) was launched in November 2019 and made its first awards in 2020.

The Fund aims to **support projects that will provide positive change and strategic impact**. In particular projects that will:

- enhance quality of life for local residents;
- contribute to vibrant, healthy, successful and sustainable communities;
- promote community spirit and encourage community activity.

Priorities for the Fund are projects that:

- Enhance community facilities and physical assets
- Build skills, knowledge and understanding among groups delivering projects and people benefiting from projects
- Address issues of rural isolation
- Can evidence widespread support from the local community
- Take a creative approach to meeting the needs of the local community
- Create opportunities for all to get involved
- Source goods and services locally where appropriate

The maximum award is £5,000.

### 6.1 Awards

Reference	Applicant	Award	Project Cost	Project Summary
A538197	Fairburn Memorial Hall	£3,820.00	£15,384.00	To part fund salaries for hall staff for one year.
A539639	Scatwell Community Association	£276.00	£276.00	To purchase blinds for the Old Sawmill to increase security for community storage.
A540240	Music in Hospitals and Care	£600.00	£1,200.00	To fund two musical performances at healthcare venues serving the community council area of Marybank, Scatwell & Strathconon

A568689	Fairburn Memorial Hall	£1,210.00	£1,210.00	To install wheel stops in the Hall car park to improve parking and reduce maintenance costs.
A569653	Strathconon Social and Recreational Society	£4,850.11	£4,850.11	To fund car park resurfacing to improve safety when accessing the hall.
A569656	Fyrish Gymnastic Club	£4,550.00	£5,830.00	To fund a nine-month outreach programme of gymnastic sessions for children in the Marybank, Scatwell and Strathconon area.

Six awards were made during the year, totalling £15,306. All applicants received an award so the conversion rate from application to award was 100%.

## 6.2 Financial Statement

<b>Income</b>	
Year 1 EDF Renewables donation	£9,705
Year 1 Interest	£4
Year 2 EDF Renewables donation	£9,690
Year 3 EDF Renewables donation	£9,884
Year 4 EDF Renewables donation	£10,772
Total Income	£40,055
<b>Expenditure</b>	
Grants paid to 15 Dec 2020	£14,346
Grants approved not paid	£960
Fund expenses (Panel meeting venue hire and travel)	£72
<b>Balance going forward</b>	<b>£24,677</b>

## 6.3 What difference is the Fund making?

This first year of the Marybank, Scatwell and Strathconon Fund saw a range of projects supported throughout the Fund area. Improvements to local facilities and delivering local services were the main themes among the six awards made.

In terms of Foundation Scotland's impact categories, two of the projects were aimed at **reducing isolation and improving access to services**; two at **health, wellbeing and safety improvements**; one at **connecting people with the arts** and one was aimed at **strengthening community cohesion and building social capital**.

The following case studies illustrate how funded projects are contributing to the improvement of community assets and local quality of life.

## 6.4 Case Studies

### Delivering outreach gymnastic classes for young people in Strathconon

Fyrish Gymnastic Club is based in Alness, Ross-Shire. It operates from a dedicated gymnastics centre and provides access to a wide variety of gymnastics programmes for some 800 people from all over the North of Scotland, with classes starting from age two upwards. After the first (2020) lockdown, the Club was able to reopen on a very restricted basis, with much smaller classes to allow social distancing.

As there were several members and a coach living in the Marybank area, FGC saw an opportunity to set up some outreach classes. The Club applied to the EDF Renewables Corriemoillie Wind Farm Community Benefit Fund (Marybank, Scatwell and Strathconon) and was awarded £4,550 in October 2020.

Fyrish Gymnastics Club set up regular weekly classes from October for three age groups over a 32-week period. Numbers were limited to 10 per class to allow for social distancing. The funding paid for the rental of the community hall, where the classes were held. It also helped to subsidise the cost of the gymnastic coaches, which would not have been affordable from fees alone based on the lower numbers keen to participate from the

area. Additional equipment was purchased along with a box trailer for storage.

The classes have proved to be very popular with nearly all spaces filled from the local area. The children are really enjoying the experience of accessing professional gymnastic coaching where they live.



**"The new project has been really successful. We are almost fully booked in all classes and will definitely consider how to continue these out-reach classes in the future."**

Heidi Bavnhoøj



## **Improving local facilities and safety in Strathconon by resurfacing the Hall car park**

Strathconon Hall is a well-used facility enabling a range of regular activities for the community. Strathconon is a scattered rural community with no public transport service. Driving to the hall for events and activities is essential for many hall users.

Community consultation highlighted a need to upgrade the car park area - the surface is uneven and potentially hazardous particularly to older people.

The Hall committee applied to the EDF Renewables Corriemoillie Wind Farm Community Benefit Fund (Marybank, Scatwell and Strathconon) to resurface part of the car parking area in October 2020 and was awarded £4,850.11.

The original surface was compacted hardcore which over time and with use and weathering had become broken up with potholes. It was in need of either continual repair or, ideally, a better, permanent surface. Work was delayed due to the pandemic restriction, but 130 sqm of the car park was due to be resurfaced in spring/summer 2021 which will enhance this popular facility and improve access and safety for hall users.



## 6.5 A Responsive Fund

The establishment of the decision making Panel and subsequent grant making from the Fund were delayed until year four due to issues around local capacity and a period when the local community council was in abeyance. With a new community council established in 2019, the Panel was established and the Fund was launched late that year. Unfortunately, the pandemic hit soon after and as a result the Panel did not meet in person in its first year of grant making. The first two meetings were held using a telephone conference call. Despite the lack of face-to-face promotion opportunities, including the cancellation of events in 2020, the Panel was successful in spreading word locally and in making its first six awards.

A separate Panel meeting was held in April 2020 to consider the merits of developing a community action plan. There are not very many constituted groups operating in the Fund area and it was also felt that there was a need to find ways to bring the different communities in the Fund area together and potentially stimulate different project ideas. The Panel supports the idea of developing a community action plan – it was felt this would be best led by the

Community Council. While it was not possible to progress this further in 2020, the hope is this can be developed in 2021, when gatherings become possible again.

## 6.6 Governance

The EDF Renewables Corriemoillie Wind Farm Community Benefit Fund (Marybank, Scatwell & Strathconon) Panel makes decisions on how the Fund is spent and helps promote the Fund locally.

Panel membership is comprised of two members of Marybank, Scatwell & Strathconon Community Council, with the remainder recruited from the wider community. Panel members at 15 December 2020 were:

- Christine MacKintosh
- Cormac Seekings
- Sandra Riach
- Isabel Grant
- Emma Whitham
- Christina Turner
- Malcolm Sutherland
- Joe McQuillan

## 6.7 Communications

Foundation Scotland, alongside the Fund Panel, sought to raise the profile of the Fund through a variety of channels during 2020, which are set out in the table below.

Channel	Notes/Impact
Press releases	" <a href="#">Wind farm community funding from EDF Renewables helps provide gymnastics classes in Marybank and boosts Contin community history project</a> " Ross-shire Journal 5.1.21
Websites	The main Fund webpage saw 411 visits of which 295 were unique. Regularly updated with awards, deadlines etc

	<a href="https://www.foundationscotland.org.uk/apply-for-funding/funding-available/corriemoillie-marybank-scatwell-strathconon">https://www.foundationscotland.org.uk/apply-for-funding/funding-available/corriemoillie-marybank-scatwell-strathconon</a>
<b>Social Media</b>	Promotion on Foundation Scotland (2,354 facebook and 5,029 twitter followers) and local social media sites  Corriemoillie facebook and twitter accounts set up in 2020 (82 followers)
<b>Posters</b>	Via local notice boards at community venues, shops etc
<b>Enquiries received</b>	Ad hoc queries from potential applicants, requests from the press and public for information, etc.
<b>Publicity advice to awardees</b>	"Acknowledging your grant" publicity advice sheet appended to grant offer letters.

## 7. EDF Renewables Corriemoillie Wind Farm Community Benefit Fund - Lochbroom

### 7.1 Governance

EDF Renewables Corriemoillie Wind Farm Community Benefit Fund (Lochbroom) is normally administered as a micro-grant scheme by Lochbroom Community Council, with Foundation Scotland providing a single award to the Community Council for it to then disburse as small charitable grants of up to £250 to individuals and up to £500 to groups. In 2020, however, the Community Council made a request for the full year four donation

from EDF Renewables to go towards an upgrade to the playparks in Ullapool. This was in part due to the pandemic, which meant a lot of the usual group activity was not taking place and there was therefore less demand for small grants. The request was made following community consultation which approved the decision to put the entirety of the year four funds towards the playground project.

### 7.2 Awards

Reference	Applicant	Award	Project Cost	Project Summary
A578522	Lochbroom Community Council	£2,154.45	£8,750.00	To contribute to the upgrade of local playpark equipment to improve outdoor play facilities for children in Ullapool.

### 7.3 Financial Statement

<b>Income</b>	
Year 1 EDF Renewables donation	£1,938
Year 1 Interest	£1
Year 2 EDF Renewables donation	£1,941
Year 2 Interest	£1
Year 3 EDF Renewables donation	£2,102
Year 4 EDF Renewables donation	£2,154
Total Income	£8,137
<b>Expenditure</b>	
Grants paid to 15 Dec 2020	£8,137
Grants approved not paid	£0
<b>Balance going forward</b>	<b>£0</b>

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## Appendix 1: EDF Renewables Corriemoillie Education & Training Fund - Year 4 Award Summary

### Bursary Awards - First Time Applicants

Ref no	Initials	Description	Priority	Area	Award
A537104	RM	To fund travel and subsistence costs relating to HNC in Architectural Technology at Inverness College	2	Lochbroom	£1,432.80
A524405	CM	To contribute to the cost of tools required for automotive apprenticeship	2	Marybank	£1,400.00
A564238	CS	To fund tools, travel and subsistence for joiner and shuttering apprenticeship.	2	Strathpeffer	£1,500.00
A562295	JM	To fund transport, accommodation and equipment relating to Certificate in Shipping and Maritime Operations	2	Lochbroom	£1,500.00
A537054	PB	To fund fees, travel, equipment and subsistence relating to Script Reading and Reporting Short course at the National Film and Television School	3	Contin	£480.40
A537679	BH	To fund fees, travel and subsistence relating to Dog First Aid course	3	Lochbroom	£146.29
A536645	CW	To fund course fees and travel relating to Summer Mountain Leader and BASP First Aid at Glenmore Lodge	3	Lochbroom	£970.50
A537430	JH	To fund fees travel and subsistence for paddle sports training course.	3	Lochbroom	£583.00
A537344	MM	To fund fees, travel, accomodation and equipment relating to MLitt Museum and Gallery Studies	3	Strathpeffer	£1,500.00
A537325	HH	To fund travel, accommodation, equipment and subsistence while studying for BA in Film & Media and Sports Studies at University of Stirling	3	Strathpeffer	£1,500.00
A543435	SM	To fund software required for BBC Writersroom Scottish Voices 2020 programme.	3	Contin	£45.00
A544202	DS	To fund travel, accommodation, childcare and subsistence related to teacher training at University of Aberdeen	3	Lochbroom	£1,500.00

A558813	KB	To contribute to cost of course fees for on-line Health and Social Care Diploma	3	Lochbroom	£832.00
A571790	EM	To contribute to cost of accommodation while studying for HNC in Beauty Therapy	3	Garve	£1,500.00
A575802	AM	To fund travel, equipment and accommodation for BSc Adult Nursing degree.	3	Lochbroom	£1,500.00
A576707	PP	To fund travel, equipment and subsistence relating to HNC in Horticulture.	3	Strathpeffer	£1,500.00
A575667	RM	To fund travel, equipment and accommodation relating to BSc in Adult Nursing.	3	Marybank	£1,500.00
A577567	MC	To fund fees and travel expenses related to LGV training.	3	Contin	£1,500.00
A563330	RM	To help fund equipment, accommodation and subsistence relating to MA Theology and Religious Studies	3	Contin	£1,500.00
A563896	MG	To fund fees, travel and equipment relating to SVQ2 Barbering.	3	Marybank	£1,210.90
A563902	MP	To fund fees and childcare relating to HNC in Childhood Practice	3	Lochbroom	£1,500.00
A564305	IM	To fund accommodation, subsistence and equipment relating to BA in Rural Business Management	3	Lochbroom	£1,500.00
A564325	DM	To fund travel, equipment, subsistence and other costs related to Certificate in Forestry	3	Contin	£1,500.00
A564383	RK	To fund travel and accommodation relating to a Certificate of Higher Education in Gaelic and Communication.	3	Lochbroom	£1,500.00
A564401	DM	To fund fees and travel for LGV training course and licence.	3	Garve	£1,500.00
A564408	JL	To fund fees for LGV training course and licence.	3	Garve	£1,500.00
A564413	BA	To fund fees, travel and equipment for Deer Stalking Certificate.	3	Lochbroom	£413.40
A564437	MT	To fund travel, accommodation and subsistence relating to BA in Fine Art.	3	Lochbroom	£1,500.00
A564523	BW	To fund fees, travel, equipment and accommodation relating to HND in Professional Dance Performance	3	Strathpeffer	£1,500.00
A564530	HC	To fund fees and equipment relating to Gaelic language course.	3	Lochbroom	£345.00
A564533	AM	To fund fees and childcare relating to BA (Hons) in Culture, Heritage and Archaeology.	3	Lochbroom	£1,500.00
A564553	HP	To fund fees and equipment relating to Gaelic language course.	3	Lochbroom	£345.00

A568189	LC	To fund fees, travel and equipment relating to Holistic Therapies Diploma.	3	Contin	£1,500.00
A564574	NC	To fund fees and travel related to PDA Management Accounting	3	Lochbroom	£1,100.00
A565807	DH	To fund fees, travel, accommodation and subsistence related to Level 3 Women's Artistic Gymnastic Coaching Award.	3	Strathpeffer	£1,068.50
A565242	HM	To fund fees relating to Level 2 British Gymnastics coaching qualification.	3	Strathpeffer	£208.00
A537486	HS	To fund driving lessons to assist with travel to study.	4	Contin	£500.00
A541066	MM	To fund driving lessons and driving test fees	4	Contin	£500.00
A533319	FO	To fund driving lessons to allow applicant to attend college.	4	Marybank	£500.00
A571778	JK	To contribute to cost of fees, travel and accommodation relating to a kilt making course.	4	Garve	£1,500.00
A575668	ZC	To fund driving lessons in order to access future employment and education opportunities.	4	Garve	£500.00
A582033	BM	To fund travel, equipment and subsistence relating to Level 4/5 Art and driving lessons to access college.	4	Garve	£1,421.10
A564389	EP	To fund accommodation and other costs related to studying MA Spanish and English Literature	4	Lochbroom	£1,500.00
A561395	LS	To fund driving lessons and transport costs related to NC Social Science.	4	Marybank	£1,500.00
A564576	JS	To fund driving lessons to access study or employment.	4	Garve	£500.00

**Sub Total****£50,501.89****Bursary - Repeat Awards**

A564375	CS	To fund fees, travel, accommodation and equipment relating to BSc Computer Games Development (year 2 award)	2	Contin	£1,000.00
A564568	AW	To fund travel, equipment, accommodation, subsistence and other costs related to HND Visual Communications (year 2 award)	2	Lochbroom	£1,000.00
A565704	RM	To fund travel, equipment and subsistence related to HND Architectural Technology (year 2 award)	2	Lochbroom	£1,000.00
A564237	HR	To fund travel and a laptop relating to LLB Law degree (year 2 award)	3	Lochbroom	£630.00
A564314	IM	To fund fees, travel, equipment, accommodation and subsistence relating to BSc Diagnostic Imaging (year 3 award)	3	Lochbroom	£300.00
A564373	SJ	To fund travel, equipment and subsistence relating to LLB Law (year 2 award)	3	Marybank	£1,000.00

A564415	TM	To fund travel costs related to BSc Adult Nursing (year 3 award)	3	Garve and District	£300.00
A564225	EC	To fund travel and accommodation relating to MA (Hons) Geography and Sustainable Development (year 3 award)	3	Marybank	£300.00
A563387	MT	To fund travel, equipment, accommodation and subsistence related to BSc Mental Health Nursing (year 3 award)	3	Lochbroom	£300.00
A561876	JP	To fund travel, equipment, accommodation and subsistence relating to HND Fine Art (year 2 award)	4	Strathpeffer	£1,000.00
<b>Sub Total</b>					<b>£6,830.00</b>

### Support for Business – Training

Ref no	Group	Description	Priority	Area	Award
A565859	Strathpeffer Spa Golf Club	To fund manual handling and first aid training for four members of golf club staff.	3	Strathpeffer	£1,464.00

### Support for Business – Mentoring

Ref no	Group	Description	Priority	Area	Award
A537319	Create Youth Theatre	To fund mentoring to support governance and business planning for a new social enterprise	3	Lochbroom	£1,860.00
A564210	Create Youth Theatre	To fund ten mentoring sessions in film-making and sound recording in order to develop practical workshop content to engage young people in these skills; to fund computer equipment and software required for the mentoring and future workshop delivery.	3	Lochbroom	£2,050.00

### Career Aspirations and Journeys

Ref no	Group	Description	Priority	Area	Award
A537140	HIE	To help fund trips to Dingwall Newton Room for all schools in the Fund area.	2	All areas	£2,350.00
A536639	Social Enterprise Academy	To fund a 5 day Social Enterprise Academy Masterclass in Ullapool.	3	Lochbroom	£3,000.00
A537653	Ullapool Sea Savers	To fund an event where young people can learn about working in marine conservation; make contact with a range of local and national organisations and be inspired to seek employment in this sector.	3	Lochbroom	£1,850.00
A564220	Ullapool High School	To contribute towards the Enviro Link Project, which will provide 36 S3 pupils with work experience in the conservation sector, link them with employers, and inspire career choices in nature conservation.	3	Garve/Lochbroom	£2,000.00
		Sub Total			<b>£14,574.00</b>
		<b>Total</b>			<b>£71,905.89</b>

<b>Key</b>
<b>Round1</b>
<b>Round 2</b>
<b>Short Notice</b>