



Old Luce Community Fund Advisory Panel Meeting

Monday 19th July 2021 7:30pm

By Zoom

Minutes

1. Welcome & Apologies

Panel members present:

Fred Murray (Old Luce Community Council), Lesley Goodchild (Chair),
Ian Patterson (Old Luce Community Council), Marion Muir, David Maxwell,
David Ferguson

Apologies: Boyd McIntosh

In Attendance: Clare Graham (Foundation Scotland)

2. Panel Updates

- **Minutes of last meeting dated 19th April 2021**

- i. Outstanding action**

There were two outstanding actions; FS to draft a revised Fund Framework, for discussion and approval by the Panel and once the Fund arrangements had been approved, FS to re-commence Fund promotion. It was agreed that both items would be carried forward to the next Panel meeting.

- ii. Matters arising not on agenda**

None

- iii. Approval**

Fred Murray approved and seconded by Marion Muir.

3. Fund Updates

- **Income & Expenditure Projection**

The Income and Expenditure project had been circulated before the meeting. It was noted that two payments had been received since the previous meeting:

RES Glenchamber LEDS payment received 18th May - £10,482.54

Airies received 24th June - £33,250

- **Grant-making Report**

There was one addition to the grant making report since the last meeting which was a grant to OLDT to support the work of OLDT for three years. Total grant award £690,000 over three years.

4. Grant Applications

Three grant applications were discussed, and the decisions and notes are attached as an appendix.

ACTION: FS to send out grant offer packs.

5. Old Luce Development Trust

A quarterly report that had been submitted to FS from OLDT detailing the progress of the Village Square project had been circulated to the Panel. Within the report, OLDT had requested a variation of the original grant award to fund the completion of the project for an additional sum of £26,051. The Trust were expecting a VAT rebate of approximately £25,000 however HMRC had confirmed the Trust did not qualify for a VAT rebate. The Panel members discussed the request in more detail and it was noted that there had been a vast improvement to the Square, which would benefit the community, however the Panel stated they were unable to commit any additional financial support to this project. The Panel agreed that any shortfall in funding should be met by the OLDT block grant, the first instalment of which will be paid to the Trust on the 1st October.

It was also noted that OLDT had requested if there was any additional funding available for the Brambles project, in the region of £200,000. It was agreed that the fund balance would be unable to support this request.

ACTION: FS to advise OLDT of the Panel decision on both these requests.

6. Education and Training Fund

CG presented an overview of the potential benefits of establishing an E&T Fund and the flexibility that was available within any fund framework to ensure that a fund could be developed to meet the specific needs of the fund area. Panel members discussed how the fund could look and if there was any specific need/gap that could be focussed upon. It was agreed that CG would research specific needs within the area further, and work with Lesley and David M to progress further. David M stated that he had a number of reports and profiles that may assist and that he would forward these to CG.

ACTION: DM to forward any relevant information to support the establishment of an E&T Fund.

ACTION: With the support of David and Lesley, CG to progress the establishment of an E&T Fund and present a potential framework at the next Panel meeting.

AOB

CG advised that Panel meeting dates for 2022 were currently being planned and asked if the Panel wished to continue with meeting four times per year. It was agreed that the Panel meetings should continue as currently held and if there was no business to be discussed at a Panel meeting it could be cancelled.

ACTION: CG to advise Panel of dates for 2022.

The Panel members discussed when it would be reasonable to recommence with face to face meetings. CG advised that currently the FS policy is that staff members are not attending face to face meetings but

that this was being reviewed on a constant basis and that CG would advise prior to the next Panel meeting how this would take place.

7. Date of next meeting

Monday 18th October at 7.30 pm

Location – to be advised

Item	Action	Date	Who
2	FS to draft a revised Fund framework, for discussion and approval by the Panel.	ASAP	FS
2	Once the revised Fund arrangements have been approved by all, FS to commence Fund promotion.	ASAP	FS
4	FS to send out grant offer packs	ASAP	FS
5	FS to advise OLDT of the Panel decision on both these requests.	ASAP	FS
6	DM to forward any relevant information to support the establishment of an E&T Fund.	ASAP	DM
6	With the support of David and Lesley, CG to progress the establishment of an E&T Fund and present a potential framework at the next Panel meeting.	Before the next Panel meeting.	FS
7	CG to advise of Panel meeting dates for 2022.	ASAP	FS

Applicant	Purpose	Amount requested	Amount awarded	Declarations of Interest/ Comments/ Conditions/ Feedback to applicant
Old Luce Community Council	Standard Grant: To create a connecting pathway	£2,250	£2,250	Declarations of Interest – Fred Murray and Ian Patterson Pre-payment conditions: That a copy of the signed accounts for year ending August 2020 are submitted to Foundation Scotland if this has not already been done. That written confirmation that the contractor has the appropriate insurances is submitted to Foundation Scotland.
Glen of Luce Community Association	Standard Grant: To contribute to the running costs of the Auchenmalg Hall	£7,500 (over three years)	£,7,500	Declarations of Interest – Marion Muir This grant was pre-approved at the Panel meeting of 19 th April 2021. Assessment presented to the Panel for audit purposes. Post payment condition: That a report on spend is submitted annually before the grant award of Year 2 and Year 3 is released.
Old Luce Development Trust	Large Grant: To pay for the Stage 2 and Stage 3 design team costs for the redevelopment of the Glenluce GP Surgery	£137,003	£137,003	No Declarations of Interest. Feedback The Panel welcomed the application to progress the GP Surgery project and has approved a full grant award. For information purposes, the Trust is asked to submit approximate timings of the project to the Panel. Pre-payment condition of grant: That large grant terms and conditions apply.