



Tannach Community Funds



Tannach and District Community Council works in partnership with Foundation Scotland to manage different funds donated for the benefit of the community. The arrangement provides for a streamlined application for grantees. The current Donors are Gresham House Asset Management, owner of Wathegar 1 and Wathegar 2 wind farms and RWE, owner of the Bilbster wind farm.

History of Awards

Since the **Bilbster Community Fund** was transferred to Foundation Scotland in 2019 the Fund has awarded two grants, distributing just over £5,000.

The **Wathegar 1 Fund** launched in 2014 and has awarded 39 grants, distributing over £180,000.

The **Wathegar 2 Fund** launched in 2019 and has awarded five grants, distributing over £23,000.

The **Tannach and District Wind Farm Education & Training Fund** launched in 2019 and has awarded 18 educational awards to individuals distributing over £40,000.

How to Apply

For community groups there are two rounds per year with deadlines of 30th June and 31st December. Guidance is available online at <https://www.foundationscotland.org.uk/apply-for-funding/funding-available/tannach>

If you are a group looking for support with planning your project contact Caithness Voluntary Group at www.cvg.org.uk

For individuals, you can apply anytime here: <https://www.foundationscotland.org.uk/apply-for-funding/funding-available/tannach-education-training>

For assistance or further information about the funds please contact Eilidh Coll.

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Community Funding

Any constituted community group delivering a project which will benefit the residents of Tanach and District can apply to the Fund.

During this reporting period the Panel has considered four applications, all of which were awarded. The four projects were:

- £4,000 to Yarrows Heritage Trust** to contribute to the Swartigill Archaeological Community Dig in September 2021.
- £224 to Wick Model Yacht Club** to fund the groups insurance for a year.
- £7,500 to Wick Academy Football Club** to replace the Club's 17-year-old mower.
- £19,976 to Tannach and District Community Council** for new play equipment at Haster playpark from toddlers to teens.

Education and Training

This fund has been up and running since late 2019 and residents are slowly beginning to apply and see the value of it. Over the last year 10 residents applied for funding in a range of subjects including:

1. Postgraduate Diploma in Education Primary
2. MEng Aeronautical Engineering
3. Post Grad Cert Autism and Learning
4. Health Coach Institute certification
5. BA International Business Management
6. BSc Computer Science
7. London College of Style Diploma
8. NC Welding Fabrication
9. Earth and Environmental Science (Hons)
10. SVQ Professional Cookery

The purpose of this fund is to improve local people's opportunities for employment. You don't have to be unemployed to apply. The process is quick with awards made usually within a month of receiving the application.

Financial Transactions through the fund year

Tannach and District Funds financial transactions (01/11/20 - 31/10/21)	Bilbster (Year 11)	Wathegar 1 (Year 8)	Wathegar 2 (Year 3)	TOTAL
OPENING BALANCE	£1,576.15	£49,021.22	£43,697.55	£94,297.92
FUND INCOME:				
Developer Donation	£4,061.34	£35,084.67	£42,047.30	£81,193.31
Donation forwarded by CC	£4,025.50		£0.00	£4,025.50
Interest	£0.00	£88.52	£0.00	£88.52
Grant returned	£0.00	£0.00	£1,052.73	£1,052.73
TOTAL INCOME	£8,086.84	£35,173.19	£43,100.03	£86,360.06
FUND EXPENSES:				
Community Group Awards	£4,000.00	£20,200.00	£7,500.00	£31,700.00
Educational Awards	£0.00	£0.00	£19,681.41	£19,681.41
Foundation Scotland fee	£808.68	£2,034.91	£0.00	£2,843.59
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	£4,808.68	£22,234.91	£27,181.41	£54,225.00
CLOSING BALANCE	£4,854.31	£61,959.50	£59,616.17	£126,429.98