Fund report



EDF Renewables Corriemoillie Wind Farm Community Benefit Fund



Year 6, 16th December 2021 – 15th December 2022



Headlines

- Total of 374 grants awarded since the Fund launched, to the value of £509,776.
- Record number of awards made from the Education & Training Fund this year, supporting learning and career progression
- Increase in bursary awards in the priority sector of STEM subjects
- Projects continue to deliver a range of practical benefits to local communities
- Fund Reviews carried out for Contin and Marybank, Scatwell & Strathconon

Year Six Summary

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

Year Six has seen a continued increase in the number of awards made – 83 compared to 78 last year, with overall value of awards made dropping slightly £105,380 compared to £116,533 in Year Five. The number of bursary awards to individuals for educational purposes remains high at 59, with a notable increase in awards for courses in the priority sector of STEM subjects.

The total figure awarded represents 110% of the £96,097 community benefit funding provided by EDF Renewables for the year, as all but one of the Panels, have awarded monies not spent in earlier years to meet an increase in demand for funding.

All four Panels supporting the individual funds have been supported by Foundation Scotland in their award making (Lochbroom monies are awarded directly by the Community Council there). Panel members continue to donate generously their time and experience to help direct fund strategy and make grant decisions, adapting to post pandemic restrictions with a mixture of online and hybrid meetings and finding flexible ways to support their communities beyond the

pandemic and through the current cost of living and other global crises.

The Corriemoillie Funds have therefore continued to make an impact across the area, supporting a variety of infrastructure projects, services, and activities. From the delivery of access improvements and sports equipment, to supporting refugees in the community, the funds continue to make a positive impact throughout the area. A record number of individuals have also received support to study, train and develop their career or business in fields as diverse as engineering, nursing, music and accounting.



Successful HGV Training for Jacqui from Garve

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1. Introduction

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 2021 to 15 December 2022, its sixth 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. 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 £266,886 in Year 6. 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:

| Community council area | Proportion of remaining funds |
|------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Contin | 7% |
| Garve & District | 80% |
| Lochbroom | 1% |
| Marybank, Scatwell & | 5% |
| Strathconon | |
| 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 subfund as follows:

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

2. Financial Statement

Statement Period: 16 December 2021 to 15 December 2022

| | Education & Training | Contin | Marybank, Scatwell & Strathconon | Strathpeffer | Loch- broom | Total |
|--------------------------|-------------------------|------------|--|--------------|----------------|-------------|
| Balances brought forward | £41,467.81 | £31,168.94 | £26,251.87 | £6,475.45 | £0.00 | £105,364.07 |
| Torward | 141,407.81 | 131,108.34 | 120,231.87 | 10,473.43 | 10.00 | 1103,304.07 |
| Income | | | | | | |
| EDF Renewables | £53,377.15 | £14,945.60 | £10,675.43 | £14,945.60 | £2,153.09 | £96,096.87 |
| | | | | | | |
| Expenditure | 1 | | 1 | 1 | | |
| Grants awarded - | | | | | | |
| paid | £58,304.30 | £12,290.40 | £8,413.50 | £18,780.00 | £2,153.09 | £99,941.29 |
| Grants awarded - | | | | | | |
| pending | £36,135.00 | £4,841.00 | £0.00 | £4,500.00 | £0.00 | £45,476.00 |
| Fund expenses | £0.00 | £0.00 | £36.00 | £0.00 | £0.00 | £36.00 |
| | | | | | | |
| Grants | | | | | | |
| returned/cancelled | -£2,550.00 | £0.00 | £0.00 | -£3,000.00 | £0.00 | -£5,550.00 |
| | | | | | | |
| Balances carried | | | | | | |
| forward | £2,955.66 | £28,983.14 | £28,477.80 | £1,141.05 | £0.00 | £61,557.65 |

3. Education & Training Fund

The 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 (1-10 employees) / small (11-50 employees) 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 Year Six:

Priority 1: Renewables and energy industry related

Priority 2: Engineering, construction and related trades, health & safety, and STEMD (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 and small 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

Awards were offered 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, learning and development that increases employability, and activities that inspire and motivate individuals by developing links with prospective employers.

3.1 Awards

64 awards were made during the year: 59 were bursaries for individuals, of which nine were repeat awards to applicants on multiyear courses and 50 were for new applications. Five awards were made to support organisations and businesses for a range of projects relating to staff training, mentoring and business planning as well as projects to upskill local residents and develop a pilot hospitality staff bank. A full list of awards made during the year is given in Appendix One.

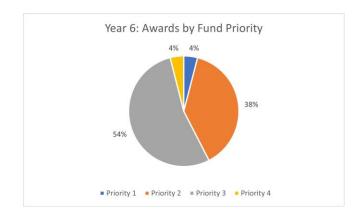
The total value of awards made was £64,104, bringing the total awarded over the first five years of the Education & Training Fund to £307,326.

The number of awards increased to a record high of 65, continuing a general trend of a steady increase in awards from the Fund launch, from 12 awards in the first year, to 35 awards in the second year, 54 awards in year three and 62 in year four, 59 in year five.

Under the bursary strand, support from the Fund enabled individuals to attend a wide variety of courses. 58% of these awards were for undergraduate courses, from NC (National Certificate) to degree level, which were, in the main, being undertaken by recent school leavers. Support was given towards a wide range of courses including engineering nursing, accounting, tourism, gaelic and computing.

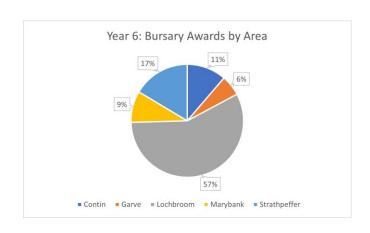
Short courses accounted for 42% of awards made. These courses ranged from basic safety training for offshore renewables, HGV

training, beauty therapy to driving lessons. Applicants ranged in age and employment status, with some awardees seeking to enhance an established career, whilst others were embarking on a new career direction.



There was a continued increase in bursary awards made in the Fund's high Priority areas in 2022 with 4% relating to Priority One (renewables) and 38% relating to Priority Two (engineering, construction, STEMD).

Despite a recent trend of an improving geographical spread of awards throughout the area of benefit, 2022 saw awards increasing in Lochbroom and decreasing slightly in all other areas.



Nine applications were withdrawn prior to assessment due to ineligibility of some of the requested expenditure or issues with retrospective funding, and a further four 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 83%.

3.2 Financial Statement – Education & Training Fund

Statement Period: 16 December 2021 to 15 December 2022

| Balance brought forward | £41,467.81 |
|---------------------------|------------|
| | |
| Income | |
| EDF Renewables | £53,377.15 |
| | |
| Expenditure | |
| Grants awarded - paid | £58,304.30 |
| Grants awarded - pending | £36,135.00 |
| Fund expenses | £0.00 |
| | |
| Grants returned/cancelled | -£2,550.00 |
| | |
| Balance carried forward | £2,955.66 |

3.3 What Difference is the Fund making?

During the first six years of the Fund, 268 bursary awards have been made and taken up. 46 of these were repeat awards, therefore 222 individuals have been supported.

As in previous years the Education and Training Fund continues to make a difference through:

 Addressing the added costs faced by people in rural areas in accessing education and training, in particular, travel costs.

- Supporting people in accessing training in sectors facing significant skills shortages in the Highlands, such as engineering, nursing and teaching.
- Providing a flexible source of funding which can support learners and courses which do not benefit from government funded bursaries, such as professional and vocation qualifications.

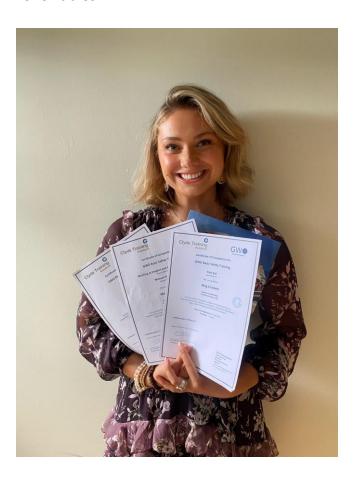
The case studies below provide examples of individuals supported through the Fund.

3.4 Case Studies

Offshore Wind Basic Safety Training – new career possibilities

Meg from Strathpeffer had a range of jobs since leaving school including marketing, administration, and latterly working in the care sector.

With family and friends working in energy, both on and offshore, she decided to retrain and build up some practical qualifications in order to pursue a longer term career in the renewables.



She enrolled on a Professional Development Award course in Renewable Energy Systems at University of the Highlands & Islands, which could be studied part time while she continued with her employment in the care home.

She applied for funding from the Corriemoillie bursary scheme and was awarded £1,315 to fund a Basic Safety Training Package for Offshore Renewables.

The 5 day course is an entry level package of modules for those about to begin work in on or off shore renewables. The modules are in sea survival, working at height, manual handling, fire awareness and basic first aid.

"After just completing the GWO basic safety training, I'm eager to learn more and have the opportunity to pursue an interesting and varied career. I hugely value the opportunity this course provides me in gaining a route into this exciting and innovative sector."

Powering on to better employment opportunities

Angelica from Lochbroom completed her commercial powerboat licence training in 2022 having received an award of £994.50 from the Corriemoillie Fund.

Angelica lives near Ullapool and has volunteered with the Isle Martin Trust for several years.

In 2017 she was one of several volunteers who were put through powerboat training by the Trust in order to operate the Trust's boat and get volunteers and visitors out to the island safely. As the popularity of the island has increased and visitor numbers have gone up, the Trust has created a more formal service – visitors are charged for the boat trip and this helps to generate income for the Trust. The fact they are charging passengers though makes this a commercial operation and so the boat operators must be appropriately trained and qualified for this role.

Having gained the qualification, Angelica is now employed as a ferry operator. This a paid role which is part time and seasonal though the schedule is fairly flexible with trips being made as long as the weather is suitable.



"I have now received all my paperwork and have started to run the ferry. Already new opportunities are starting to emerge in the context of the island. I am very happy and so grateful to you to have been given this opportunity."

3.5 Fund Review

A Fund Review was carried out in May 2022, giving the panel the opportunity to reflect on five years of grant making and update the fund strategy going forward. With demand for funding increasing year on year, the fund has reached the position where the value of applications exceeds the annual EDF

donation, and the underspend from earlier years was also being allocated in awards. The panel reviewed the fund operations from the previous annual report and from an analysis of awards from 2017-2022, prepared by Foundation Scotland. As a result several amendments were proposed.

Given the increase in demand for the Fund it was agreed that award making would reflect the priority sectors, taking in to account the ethos of the Fund and also the needs of the local area in terms of skills and employment. The sector of health and social care was seen as particularly important and it was agreed therefore to consider training in this sector as a priority two subject. Obtaining a driving licence was added to Priority 4 as a specific skill to enhance employability, particularly in a rural area.

It was agreed that bursary funding levels would be based on priority sectors with a higher level of award for Priority 1 and 2 (and health care). Going forward applications will be on maximum award levels for bursaries as follows:

Training which relates to Priorities 1 or 2: Year 1 of award or short courses: £1,500

Year 2 of award: £1,000

Years 3 / 4 of award: £300 per year.

Training which relates to Priority 3:

Year 1 of award or short courses: £1,000

Year 2 of award: £600

Years 3 / 4 of award: £200 per year.

Training which relates to Priority 4:

Year 1 of award or short courses: £750

Year 2 of award: £500

Years 3 / 4 of award: £150 per year.

Funding for driving lessons remains capped at £500.

The Panel decided to remove support for employing apprentices. There had been little take up of this and it was felt there is sufficient support from other sources.

The mentoring strand was also removed: – as this was unaccredited the Panel noted the difficulty in measuring the impact of projects and that mentoring support should be more of a goodwill gesture than consultancy work.

Instead it was agreed to increase the upper level of award for businesses seeking funding to undertake staff training and development leading to a recognised vocational qualification to £2,500 per organisation per year.

The Developing Career Aspirations and Journeys strand remained unchanged.

3.6 Governance

The EDF Renewables Corriemoillie Education and Training Fund Panel makes decisions on how the Fund is spent and helps promotes the Fund 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. The Panel met three times during the year to consider applications to the Fund, in March, August and December, holding meetings online in all cases. The short-notice process was also used, whereby decisions are made by email between meetings as necessary.

Panel members at 15 December 2022 were:

| Community/ Sector | Panel Representative |
|----------------------------------|--|
| Contin | Christopher Buxton |
| Garve & District | Sue Tarr |
| Lochbroom | Peter Harrison |
| Marybank, Scatwell & Strathconon | Christine Mackintosh |
| Strathpeffer | Julian Foot |
| Industry/Business | Sheree Grant (local business representative) |
| Industry/Business | Lynne Reid (local business representative) |
| Skills/Training Agencies | Roddy Bailey (Skills Development Scotland) |
| Youth representative | Jack Allan-Sangster |

3.7 Communications

Foundation Scotland, alongside the Fund Panel, sought to raise the profile of the Fund through a variety of channels during year five, as set out in the table below.

| Channel | Notes/Impact |
|---------|--|
| Press | "EDF Renewables Corriemoillie Wind Farm flags year of success funding community projects in Contin, Strathpeffer, Lochbroom, Marybank, Scatwell and Strathconon" Ross-shire Journal 3.1.22 |
| | https://www.ross-shirejournal.co.uk/news/ross-shire-wind-fund-spin-off-flagged-as-communities-enjoy-s-261800/ |
| | "Share of £23,000 scooped by local groups from EDF Renewables Corriemoillie Wind Farm Community funds with deadlines for next bids for Marybank, Scatwell and Strathconon, Strathpeffer and Contin pots revealed" Ross-shire Journal 11.6.22 |
| | https://www.ross-shirejournal.co.uk/news/ross-wind-farm-cash-a-win-win-for-strathpeffer-group-as-ma-277847/ |
| | (General releases for all sub funds) |

| Channel | Notes/Impact | |
|------------------------------|---|--|
| Websites | The Fund webpage saw 1,303 visits of which 1,070 were unique (slight increase from last year). https://www.foundationscotland.org.uk/programmes/corriemoille-education-and-training/ Promotion on local websites. | |
| Social Media | Promotion on Foundation Scotland (3,400 Facebook followers) and local social media sites. 115 followers on Corriemoillie Facebook account. | |
| Direct Contact | E-mailings to local newsletters, schools, and other stakeholders to promote each funding round. Summary of awards sent to Panel and Community Councils. | |
| Posters | Via local notice boards at community venues, shops etc. | |
| Enquiries received | Ad hoc queries from potential applicants, requests from the press and public for information, etc. | |
| Publicity advice to awardees | "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 Contin Community Fund aims to **support** projects which will provide positive change and strategic impact.

Local priorities for the fund, based on community consultation, are projects relating to access and to heritage.

The maximum award is £3,000.

Projects must meet one of the following outcomes:

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

4.1 Awards

Seven awards were made during the year, to a total value of £15,931. These are shown in the table below. This brought the total

number of awards made over the six years to 29 and £56,447 in value.

| Reference | Applicant | Project Summary | Project Cost | Award |
|------------|--|---|-----------------|-----------|
| FR-0061971 | Contin, Jamestown and Tarvie Projects (CJT Projects) | To fund a series of events to bring people together and build a more resilient community through shared activities post-pandemic. | £1,760.00 | £1,885.00 |
| FR-0061846 | Contin Community Council | To fund a bi-monthly newsletter to keep the community informed and connected. | £1,980.00 | £1,200.00 |
| FR-0061992 | Contin Community Trust | To purchase a commercial dishwasher, hand driers and other equipment to ensure the effective and safe use of the community hall. | £2,995.00 | £2,995.00 |
| FR-0062108 | Highland Trail Riders | To purchase an Armorgard Secure Tool Truck Box to store tools for volunteer mountain bike trail maintenance. | £1,010.40 | £1,010.40 |
| FR-0062421 | Strathpeffer Residents Association | To contribute to the cost of creating a path network to improve access to the community park in Strathpeffer. | £62,000.00 | £1,000.00 |

| Reference | Applicant | Project Summary | Project Cost | Award |
|------------|----------------------------------|---|-----------------|-----------|
| FR-0067446 | Contin Community Trust | To purchase sound absorbing panels to improve the hall acoustics to benefit hall users. | £5,841.00 | £4,841.00 |
| FR-0062516 | Contin Parish Church of Scotland | To create composting toilet facilities for visitors to Contin Island. | £12,000.00 | , |

No awards were rejected by the Panel during year six, so the conversion rate from award to application was 100%.

4.2 Financial Statement

Statement Period: 16 December 2021 to 15 December 2022

| Balance brought forward | £31,168.94 |
|---------------------------|------------|
| | |
| Income | |
| EDF Renewables | £14,945.60 |
| | |
| Expenditure | |
| Grants awarded - paid | £12,290.40 |
| Grants awarded - pending | £4,841.00 |
| Fund expenses | £0.00 |
| | |
| Grants returned/cancelled | £0.00 |
| | |
| Balance carried forward | £28,983.14 |

4.3 Case Studies

A Blessed Relief! Contin Parish Church

Contin Island has been the site of a place of worship since probably the 7th century and the current church building dates from 1747. Weekly services are held at Contin Parish Church which is also a venue for funerals and weddings and other community events.

The island itself is a key local feature and there is a popular walking route which goes from the village, over a footbridge and then makes a circuit of the island. The paths have been adopted by Highland Council with the route at the north end of the island having core path designation and the southern end currently undergoing the process of being adopted as core path.

The community council has worked to promote the walks and heritage of Contin Island by publishing a map and leaflet and recently organising repairs to the footpath (both projects supported by this Fund). With the growing popularity of the site it was decided that toilet facilities would be beneficial, so the minister and a group of local volunteers began to investigate options. The rural island site has no services so they were focusing on compost toilets and after visiting a successful example at nearby Evanton Community Woodland, opted for the NATSOL full access composter.

The Corriemoillie fund contributed £3,000 to the project with the balance coming from a private donation and from church funds. A team of volunteers laid the concrete base and erected the prefabricated toilet unit in the church car park where it is accessible to all visitors to the island, the church and the graveyard. Volunteers will also be responsible for its ongoing maintenance and upkeep.

The panel was fully supportive of the project but did raise a concern about visitors in campervans disposing chemical waste in the toilet. The solution has been to have a key safe with a code available on request by telephone. A celebration concert for the new toilet was held at the church on 1st February 2023 to share the community joy for the new facility!



Serving the Community Contin Community Trust

Contin Community Trust is the group responsible for the new build community hall in Contin, which is now fully up and running after the completion of the build and the various delays related to the pandemic. As envisaged, all kinds of activities are now taking place, using the lovely new space as it was intended. Yoga, country dancing and indoor bowls are all now regular options and the hall is also the venue for a new toddler group and regular soup and sandwich lunches to bring people together through the winter. Larger scale events have also been held including Christmas parties for young and old residents, ceilidhs and the Strathpuffer pasta party.

The community fund has been able to help the Trust with some essential equipment for the hall which really allow it to be used to its full potential.



In early 2022 an award of £2,995 was made to purchase a commercial dishwasher and other essential hygiene equipment such as hand driers, toilet roll and paper towel dispensers and other washroom fixings like mirrors. All important items to keep the facility hygiene compliant and to make it easier to look after for volunteers and hall users.

Later in the year another award was made to purchase sound absorbing panels to improve the hall acoustics. This award was for £4,841 which is higher than the usual award level, but it was agreed that the panels would make a significant improvement to this important local facility, which benefits so many local residents.



Due to the covid related delays in the hall construction and subsequent price increase, some of the interior specification for the hall had to be pared back, including the acoustics. It became apparent once the hall was open and being used by a range of different groups that there was a need to improve the sound quality in the hall.

The hall committee got specialist advice and with the funding were able to purchase high quality made to measure fabric covered sound absorbing panels which have greatly improved the situation for the comfort and benefit of all.

4.4 Fund Review

A review of the fund strategy was carried out in October 2022. Foundation Scotland provided statistics and an overview of the funds awarded and projects supported to date. In general the panel was pleased to see range of awards made, relevance to local priorities, increasing levels of applications and still healthy Fund balance going forward.

Through the review process it was agreed to continue with most of the current fund arrangements (two rounds per year with short notice process available; maximum award levels).

It was agreed to retain existing fund priorities but also to highlight other current local issues: youth activities; play park for younger kids; community garden; social events and activities for families and other residents. This has been added to the fund webpage and promoted locally to encourage applications in these areas.

4.5 Governance

The EDF Renewables Corriemoillie Contin Community Fund Panel makes decisions 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 2022 were:

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

Panel membership was consistent throughout the year.

The Panel met twice during the year, in March and in October by zoom.

*share the role

4.6 Communications

Foundation Scotland, alongside the Fund Panel, sought to raise the profile of the Fund through a variety of channels during 2022, which are set out in the table below.

| Channel | Notes/Impact | |
|------------------------------|--|--|
| Press | Regular articles in The Contin Post – local newspaper delivered to all households bi-monthly. | |
| | "EDF Renewables Corriemoillie Wind Farm flags year of success funding community projects in Contin, Strathpeffer, Lochbroom, Marybank, Scatwell and Strathconon" Ross-shire Journal 3.1.22 | |
| | https://www.ross-shirejournal.co.uk/news/ross-shire-wind-fund-spin-off-flagged-as-communities-enjoy-s-261800/ | |
| | "Share of £23,000 scooped by local groups from EDF Renewables Corriemoillie Wind Farm Community funds with deadlines for next bids for Marybank, Scatwell and Strathconon, Strathpeffer and Contin pots revealed" Ross-shire Journal 11.6.22 | |
| | ttps://www.ross-shirejournal.co.uk/news/ross-wind-farm-cash-a-vin-win-for-strathpeffer-group-as-ma-277847/ | |
| | (General releases for all sub funds) | |
| Websites | The main Fund webpage saw 402 visits of which 331 were unique. Regularly updated with awards, deadlines etc. | |
| | https://www.foundationscotland.org.uk/programmes/contin/ | |
| | Promotion on local websites. | |
| Social Media | Promotion on Foundation Scotland (3,400 Facebook followers) and local social media sites. | |
| | 115 followers on Corriemoillie Facebook account. | |
| Enquiries received | Ad hoc queries from potential applicants, requests from the press and public for information, etc. | |
| Publicity advice to awardees | "Acknowledging your grant" publicity advice sheet appended to grant offer letters. | |

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

Corriemoillie Strathpeffer Community Fund aims to support projects which will provide positive change and strategic impact. Projects must meet one of the following outcomes:

- 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 the Community Action Plan which has been developed to prioritise activity for the five year period 2019 - 2024 reflecting the themes of: sharing and connecting; visitors staying longer; and an even better place to live. https://www.strathpeffer.org/community-action-plan/

The maximum award is £3,000

5.1 Awards

Eight awards were made during the year, to a total value of £16,551. These are summarised in the table below. This brought the total awarded over years one to six to £86,302, and the total number of awards to 43. There continues to be strong demand for funding from a range of local groups with award funds fully committed for the year. No awards were rejected in 2022 making an application conversion rate of 100%.

| | | | Project | |
|------------|--|---|------------|-----------|
| Reference | Applicant | Project Summary | Cost | Award |
| FR-0062599 | Strathpeffer and District Community Rowing Club | To fund materials and equipment to complete a Ness Yoal boat for community rowing and sailing. | | |
| | | | £4,000.00 | £1,411.00 |
| FR-0062301 | Strathpeffer Indoor Bowling Club | To purchase two replacement indoor bowling carpet mats to ensure the long-term viability of the club. | £3,500.00 | £3,498.00 |
| FR-0062243 | Strathpeffer Residents Association | To contribute to the cost of creating a path network to improve access to the community park. | £62,000.00 | £3,000.00 |

| | | Project | |
|--|---|---|---|
| Applicant | Project Summary | Cost | Award |
| Strathpeffer Community Development Trust | To fund activities and transport costs to improve wellbeing and support Ukrainian refugees based in Strathpeffer. | £500.00 | £500.00 |
| Strathpeffer & District Community Rowing Club | To contribute to costs of sails for a traditional boat to increase participation in coastal rowing and sailing. | | £642.00 |
| Strathneffer Residents | To purchase noticehoards to | £1,392.00 | 2042.00 |
| Association | raise awareness and increase participation in community park activities. | | |
| | | £8,143.00 | £3,000.00 |
| Strathpeffer Spa Bowling Club | To contribute to the cost of a specialist lawnmower to ensure the bowling green is well maintained to sustain Club activity | | |
| | | £3,500.00 | £3,000.00 |
| Strathpeffer Spa Golf Club | To contribute to the cost of specialist equipment to maintain the greens to help ensure the long-term viability of the Club. | f4 900 00 | £1,500.00 |
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5.2 Financial Statement

Statement Period: 16 December 2021 to 15 December 2022

| Balance brought forward | £6,475.45 |
|---------------------------|------------|
| | |
| Income | |
| EDF Renewables | £14,945.60 |
| | |
| Expenditure | |
| Grants awarded - paid | £18,780.00 |
| Grants awarded - pending | £4,500.00 |
| Fund expenses | £0.00 |
| | |
| Grants returned/cancelled | -£3,000.00 |
| | |
| Balance carried forward | £1,141.05 |

5.3 Case Studies

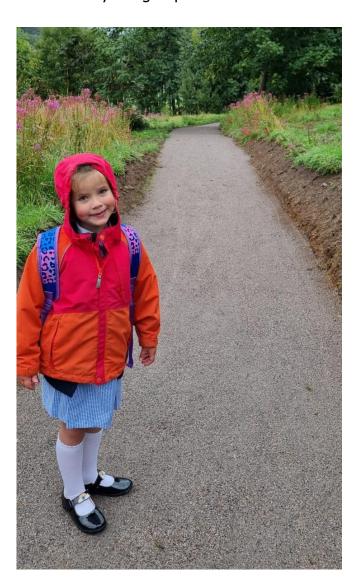
On the Right Path! Strathpeffer Residents Association

Strathpeffer Residents Association took ownership of the community park in 2018 following a successful asset transfer from Highland Council. The area of 1.84 hectares mostly overgrown scrub and unwas maintained grassland with areas of wet ground and mature trees. There was a small poor quality play area and limited access to the site overall due to vegetation and a lack of paths, particularly for those who cannot tackle steps or uneven ground. Based on extensive, positive community consultation the group has embarked on ambitious plans to transform the space.

In previous years, this Fund contributed £3,674 towards drainage improvement works and £2,558 for a metal container to store tools and equipment for community park volunteers.

In 2022 the focus was on creating a network of footpaths to allow people to fully access the site. The group had secured funding in 2021 from the Scottish Government's Place Based Investment Programme, receiving an award of £50,650 to build the path network. However as with many projects last year, costs significantly increased between the time of the initial tender and quote, and the successful funding award, leaving SRA with a shortfall of £13,000. The community some contributed a maximum award of £3,000 to help bridge this gap and allow the group to create the full path network as envisaged, a

small but not insignificant contribution to the overall funding package which was very much welcomed by the group.



The path network is now complete and has created 600 metres of new all ability footpath with access points from the local housing areas to all the park amenities and also connecting the park to the school and community centre with an off-road route.

Bowled Over! Strathpeffer Indoor Bowling Club

Strathpeffer Indoor Bowling Club meets in the local Community Centre for weekly sessions over the winter months. It complements the activities of the outdoor bowling club which operates in the summertime. Members pay an annual subscription and a small weekly charge which covers the hall hire. The Club is not competitive but provides an opportunity to socialise and get some exercise over the winter months.

When first established in 2000, the club acquired second hand mats from another bowling club. The mats were not of a very high quality and of course deteriorated over time. This impacts on the quality of the playing surface and therefore the enjoyment of the game so new mats were needed.

The club researched a range of specialist suppliers and identified a suitable replacement. The mats are nine feet by 45 feet and come fully marked out for the game of bowls to be played. The best deal to replace both mats was £3,498.

The award was made by the panel on that basis as it was felt that, although the club is quite small it does provide a valuable and sociable activity, particularly for older residents during the winter months, helping to keep people active.

There was a delay in purchasing the mats as there was potential for second hand mats to be acquired. These turned out not to be suitable and in the interim, the price of the mats, like everything else, had increased by £1,614.

Due to other demands on the community fund, the panel encouraged the group to look elsewhere, with the original award as a lever for match funding from other sources, and extended the timescale for the award. In fact, the Fund Adviser made enquiries within Foundation Scotland about potential support from other funding programmes and was able to help the group secure the balance from another Foundation Scotland programme.



The group was very appreciative and look forward to at least another ten years of happy bowling.

5.4 Governance

The EDF Renewables Corriemoillie Strathpeffer Community Fund Panel makes decisions on how the Fund is spent and helps promote the Fund locally. The panel met twice, on line, in 2022. Panel membership comprises the members of Strathpeffer Community Council.

Panel members at 15 December 2022 were:

Val Macgregor Peter MacLellan Archie Macnab Ron McAulay Neil Moscrop Alison Wood

5.5 Communications

Foundation Scotland, alongside the Fund Panel, sought to raise the profile of the Fund through a variety of channels during 2022, as set out in the table below.

| Channel | Notes/Impact |
|----------------|--|
| Press releases | "EDF Renewables Corriemoillie Wind Farm flags year of success funding community projects in Contin, Strathpeffer, Lochbroom, Marybank, Scatwell and Strathconon" Ross-shire Journal 3.1.22 |
| | https://www.ross-shirejournal.co.uk/news/ross-shire-wind-fund-spin-off-flagged-as-communities-enjoy-s-261800/ |
| | "Share of £23,000 scooped by local groups from EDF Renewables Corriemoillie Wind Farm Community funds with deadlines for next bids for Marybank, Scatwell and Strathconon, Strathpeffer and Contin pots revealed" Ross-shire Journal 11.6.22 |
| | https://www.ross-shirejournal.co.uk/news/ross-wind-farm-cash-a-win-win-for-strathpeffer-group-as-ma-277847/ |
| | (General releases for all sub funds) |
| | Fund awards and deadlines promoted in the local newsletter Strath Times. |
| Websites | The main Fund webpage saw 350 visits of which 279 were unique. Regularly updated with awards, deadlines etc. |
| | https://www.foundationscotland.org.uk/programmes/strathpeffer/ |

| | Promotion on local websites. | | |
|------------------------------|--|--|--|
| Social Media | Promotion on Foundation Scotland (3,400 Facebook followers) and local social media sites. | | |
| | 115 followers on Corriemoillie Facebook account. | | |
| Posters | Via local notice boards at community venues, shops etc. | | |
| Enquiries received | Ad hoc queries from potential applicants, requests from the press and public for information, etc. | | |
| Publicity advice to awardees | "Acknowledging your grant" publicity advice sheet appended to grant offer letters. | | |

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

The Marybank, Scatwell & Strathconon Fund was launched in November 2019 and made its first awards in 2020.

The Fund aims to support projects which will provide positive change and strategic impact. Projects must meet one of the following outcomes:

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

The maximum award is £5,000.

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

6.1 Awards

| Reference | Applicant | Project Summary | Project Cost | Award |
|------------|--|---|-----------------|-----------|
| FR-0061889 | Fairburn Memorial Hall SCIO | To fund a programme of outdoor, health and creative activities for children and adults to improve well-being. | £4,500.00 | £4,500.00 |
| FR-0061826 | Marybank Primary School Parent Council | To fund nature and heritage-based outings and outdoor activities for local children to create social opportunities and promote well-being post-covid. | £3,443.50 | £3,443.50 |
| FR-0061883 | Scatwell Community Association | To fund the purchase of four lightweight folding tables and a replacement noticeboard to facilitate community events. | £1,085.00 | £850.00 |

Three awards were made during the year, to total value of £8,793. This makes a total of eleven awards since the Fund launched in 2020, with a total value of £32,899.

One application from four was rejected by the panel as not being relevant to the area making a conversion rate of 75%.

6.2 Financial Statement

Statement Period: 16 December 2021 to 15 December 2022

| Balances brought forward | £26,251.87 |
|---------------------------|------------|
| | |
| Income | |
| EDF Renewables | £10,675.43 |
| | |
| Expenditure | |
| Grants awarded - paid | £8,413.50 |
| Grants awarded - pending | £0.00 |
| Fund expenses | £36.00 |
| | |
| Grants returned/cancelled | £0.00 |
| | |
| Balance carried forward | £28,477.80 |

6.3 Case Studies

Out & About Activities Marybank Primary Parent Council

There are two primary schools in the fund area of benefit – Marybank and Strathconon - which are part of the same school cluster. Normally children from both schools would collaborate on a number of projects and activities throughout the school year, but during the last couple of years of covid restrictions, this was not possible. The years of pandemic lockdowns and restrictions, meant that primary age children have had limited opportunities to socialise with their peers, to mix with children from other schools and to experience travel and group activities.

Marybank Parent Council volunteers decided to address this with an exciting project to bring the children of both schools together and try to make up for some of the missed opportunities. They also made a point of including children who lived locally but attended other schools. They planned to organise three day trips to sites of interest in the highland area, picking places which would be fun as well as educational, with a natural heritage theme. They also planned a series of Friday afternoon sessions at a local outdoor activity centre.



Trips were organised to the Highland Wildlife Park near Kingussie and a boat trip was also arranged to see marine wildlife in the Moray Firth, as well as the outdoor activities at the Fairburn Centre.

Staff changes at the schools created some issues with scheduling and the Parent Council was not able to arrange all the planned outings in 2022. They also saved some money by partnering up with other schools in the cluster to share transport costs on one of the trips. As a result they got back to Foundation Scotland at the end of the year to request an extension to the project – to use the remaining funds for further activity in 2023.



Local volunteer Eleanor said: "The grant has supported the Marybank Primary Parent Council to better connect the children living in this remote and rural area providing transport funding to take them to new places and learn about the nature on their doorstep. The impact has been fantastic and reached the lives of

families suffering transport poverty and isolation bringing them together to go places they cannot normally go together. It was very effective to be inclusive of multiple schools and open the events up

to wider families. We'll build on the success and continue to organise a further trip and activity day(s) in Spring 2023."

Small project – big difference! Scatwell Community Association

Scatwell Community Association is a small but active organisation, set up to benefit local people and foster community spirit. The group leases an old sawmill building from Scatwell Estate as a meeting space.

The building is basic but the group has carried out a number of improvements to make it suitable for a range of community events.

SCA strives to create a community space where people from within and out-with Scatwell can come together for social events, education and learning, talks, exhibitions, displays and informal get-togethers. The project is driven by the community for the community, creating a hub that welcomes everyone.

In 2022 the group received an award of £850 to purchase of four lightweight folding tables and a replacement noticeboard. The tables would be used for events and activities at the old sawmill and the noticeboard would be used to publicise SCA events and other matters of local interest.

Post pandemic, it was especially important to help bring the community back together.



A simple project, addressing community needs, met by the fund.

6.4 Fund Review

A fund review meeting was held in October 2022 in order to consider awards made to date and future strategy for the fund. In general the fund was considered to have reasonable uptake, with annual spend close to the level of the annual donation from EDF.

Panel also felt that on the whole there was a good spread of types of award, with a mix of capital and activity costs being supported for a range of local groups, including each of the local halls.

After discussion it was agreed to maintain current award levels and timing of rounds, and to create a short notice process where urgent requests for funding could be considered by email, similar to the emergency covid funding strand operated by the fund in recent years.

It was agreed that the original fund priorities were all still relevant but that an additional priority should be added to encourage projects which would help address the current cost of living crisis.

To encourage more groups to apply to the fund some additional promotional material

was prepared to inform local groups directly of above changes to the fund strategy and remind them of help available from Foundation Scotland at the application stage and throughout the process.

6.5 Governance

The EDF Renewables Corriemoillie Marybank, Scatwell & Strathconon Community Fund 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 2022 were:

- Christine MacKintosh
- Cormac Seekings
- Sandra Riach
- Malcolm Sutherland
- Eleanor MacDonald
- Fiona Martland
- Sarah Marshall

6.6 Communications

Foundation Scotland, alongside the Fund Panel, sought to raise the profile of the Fund through a variety of channels during 2022, which are set out in the table below.

| Channel | Notes/Impact | | |
|------------------------------|--|--|--|
| Press releases | "EDF Renewables Corriemoillie Wind Farm flags year of success funding community projects in Contin, Strathpeffer, Lochbroom, Marybank, Scatwell and Strathconon" Ross-shire Journal 3.1.22 | | |
| | https://www.ross-shirejournal.co.uk/news/ross-shire-wind-fund-spin-off-flagged-as-communities-enjoy-s-261800/ | | |
| | "Share of £23,000 scooped by local groups from EDF Renewables Corriemoillie Wind Farm Community funds with deadlines for next bids for Marybank, Scatwell and Strathconon, Strathpeffer and Contin pots revealed" Ross-shire Journal 11.6.22 | | |
| | https://www.ross-shirejournal.co.uk/news/ross-wind-farm-cash-a-win-win-for-strathpeffer-group-as-ma-277847/ | | |
| | (General releases for all sub funds) | | |
| Websites | The main Fund webpage saw 259 visits of which 221 were unique. Regularly updated with awards, deadlines etc. | | |
| | https://www.foundationscotland.org.uk/apply-for-funding/funding-available/corriemoillie-marybank-scatwell-strathconon | | |
| | Promotion on local websites. | | |
| Social Media | Promotion on Foundation Scotland (3,400 Facebook followers) and local social media sites. | | |
| | 115 followers on Corriemoillie Facebook account. | | |
| Enquiries received | Ad hoc queries from potential applicants, requests from the press and public for information, etc. | | |
| Publicity advice to awardees | "Acknowledging your grant" publicity advice sheet appended to grant offer letters. | | |

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

7.1 Governance

The Lochbroom Fund is normally administered as a micro-grant scheme by Lochbroom Community Council, with Foundation Scotland providing a single award to the Community Council in each year, should there be sufficient

demand locally, for it to then disburse as small charitable grants of up to £250 to individuals and to groups.

7.2 Awards

| Group | Project | Award |
|--------------------------|--|-----------|
| Ullapool Community Trust | Community Pantry painting & signage | £250.00 |
| Creative Hands | Materials for local art group | £250.00 |
| Get Ullapool Growing | Press for apples to provide juices at community events | |
| Ullapool Football Club | Football kit for Junior teams | £250.00 |
| Ullapool Sea Savers | Boat running coats | £250.00 |
| Ullapool Swim Club | Costs of swimming gala | £250.00 |
| Youth Space | Towards running costs of cabin for meetings | £250.00 |
| Ullapool Primary School | Tech boards for classrooms | £250.00 |
| Welcome Ullapool | Bowser for village flower displays | £135.09 |
| · | Total | £2,135.09 |



Community Pantry

7.3 Financial Statement

| Balances brought forward | £0.00 |
|---------------------------|-----------|
| | |
| Income | |
| EDF Renewables | £2,153.09 |
| | |
| Expenditure | |
| Grants awarded - paid | £2,153.09 |
| Grants awarded - pending | £0.00 |
| Fund expenses | £0.00 |
| | |
| Grants returned/cancelled | £0.00 |
| | |
| Balance carried forward | £0.00 |

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Appendix 1 - Education & Training Fund Award Summary

Bursary Awards:

| Reference | Area | Priority | Award | Award Description - Summary |
|------------|--------------|----------|-----------|--|
| FR-0063502 | Strathpeffer | 1 | £920.00 | To fund course fees and travel costs relating to IRATA Rope Access Training Level 1 |
| FR-0062114 | Strathpeffer | 1 | £1,315.00 | To fund the GWO Basic Safety Training Package for Offshore Renewables |
| FR-0066040 | Garve | 2 | £1,000.00 | To contribute to costs relating to MSc Physics and Astrophysics (year 2 award) |
| FR-0066104 | Lochbroom | 2 | £1,000.00 | To contribute to costs relating to MEng Civil Engineering (year 2 award) |
| FR-0066162 | Garve | 2 | £1,000.00 | To fund travel costs relating to Skills for Work: Motor Vehicle SCQF Level 4 course. |
| FR-0066172 | Lochbroom | 2 | £1,500.00 | To contribute to accommodation costs relating to HNC Built Environment |
| FR-0066929 | Lochbroom | 2 | £1,000.00 | To contribute to costs relating to BSc Biomedical Science (year 2 award) |
| FR-0062704 | Contin | 2 | £1,500.00 | To fund costs related to HND in Games Development (including Digital Design & Development) |
| FR-0063110 | Lochbroom | 2 | £1,500.00 | To contribute to costs of accommodation, subsistence and equipment relating to BSc (Hons) Environmental Civil Engineering |
| FR-0063270 | Strathpeffer | 2 | £1,259.00 | To contribute to costs relating to HNC Computing |
| FR-0063376 | Lochbroom | 2 | £1,500.00 | To contribute to costs of accommodation and subsistence relating to BSc (Hons) Sport and Exercise Science |
| FR-0063425 | Strathpeffer | 2 | £1,500.00 | To contribute to costs of equipment and accommodation relating to BEng (Hons) Mechanical Engineering |
| FR-0061649 | Lochbroom | 2 | £1,000.00 | To contribute to accommodation, subsistence and equipment costs relating to BSc in Architectural Technology (year 2 award). |
| FR-0061675 | Lochbroom | 2 | £1,500.00 | To contribute to costs of accommodation, subsistence and equipment relating to BSc Veterinary Bio-science |

| Reference | Area | Priority | Award | Award Description - Summary |
|------------|---------------------------------------|----------|-----------|---|
| FR-0061762 | Lochbroom | 2 | £1,500.00 | To contribute to costs of accommodation, subsistence and equipment relating to MEng Naval Architecture with Ocean Engineering |
| FR-0061763 | Lochbroom | 2 | £1,500.00 | To fund fees, accommodation and transport relating to Level 3 Diploma in Electrical Installation. |
| FR-0061794 | Marybank Scatwell & Strathconon | 2 | £1,478.00 | To fund travel and training costs for 360 Excavator, Agricultural Tractor and Dump Truck Operator training. |
| FR-0061964 | Lochbroom | 2 | £1,500.00 | To contribute to accommodation and subsistence relating to BSc Hons Environmental Science and Outdoor Education |
| FR-0064384 | Contin | 3 | £1,250.00 | To fund equipment and childcare costs relating to SVQ Level 3 Health and Social Care course |
| FR-0064458 | Lochbroom | 3 | £600.00 | To contribute to costs relating to BA International Marketing (year 2 award) |
| FR-0064821 | Strathpeffer | 3 | £600.00 | To contribute to costs relating to Diploma in Professional Legal Practice |
| FR-0064827 | Lochbroom | 3 | £1,000.00 | To contribute to costs relating to MA Ancient History |
| FR-0065999 | Lochbroom | 3 | £1,000.00 | To contribute to costs relating to BA (Hons) International Business Management |
| FR-0066043 | Contin | 3 | £250.00 | To fund fees relating to Indian Head Massage Course. |
| FR-0066083 | Lochbroom | 3 | £600.00 | To fund fees for chainsaw maintenance, cross-cutting and felling training |
| FR-0066086 | Lochbroom | 3 | £600.00 | To contribute to equipment costs relating to NC Child Health and Social Care |
| FR-0066144 | Lochbroom | 3 | £1,500.00 | To contribute to travel and childcare costs relating to Emergency Driver and Clinical Training for the ambulance service. |
| FR-0066223 | Lochbroom | 3 | £600.00 | To contribute to costs relating to PGDE Primary Education |
| FR-0066224 | Contin | 3 | £450.00 | To fund fees for Driver Certificate of Professional Competence training |
| FR-0066234 | Strathpeffer | 3 | £1,000.00 | To contribute to cost of HGV Class 1 training course |
| FR-0066317 | Contin | 3 | £600.00 | To fund course fees relating to beauty therapy teaching and waxing training. |
| FR-0066352 | Contin | 3 | £700.00 | To purchase equipment relating to Archives and Records Management PGDip |

| Reference | Area | Priority | Award | Award Description - Summary |
|------------|---------------------------------------|----------|-----------|---|
| FR-0062717 | Lochbroom | 3 | £200.00 | To contribute towards costs of studying for HND Agriculture (year 3 award) |
| FR-0063194 | Lochbroom | 3 | £1,000.00 | To contribute to course fees for Portfolio Art Course. |
| FR-0063233 | lochbroom | 3 | £1,000.00 | To contribute to costs of equipment and accommodation relating to BA (Hons) International Tourism and Events Management |
| FR-0063271 | Lochbroom | 3 | £1,000.00 | To fund accommodation and subsistence costs related to NC in Animal Care |
| FR-0063285 | Lochbroom | 3 | £920.00 | To contribute to accommodation and equipment relating to Animal Care HNC |
| FR-0063305 | Marybank Scatwell & Strathconon | 3 | £1,000.00 | To assist with accommodation fees and course costs relating to BA (Hons) Criminology |
| FR-0063349 | Lochbroom | 3 | £1,000.00 | To contribute to fees and childcare relating to Childhood Practice HNC |
| FR-0063360 | Lochbroom | 3 | £600.00 | To contribute to costs relating to BA Hons in Gaelic and Traditional Music (year 2 award) |
| FR-0063364 | Lochbroom | 3 | £1,000.00 | To contribute to costs of accommodation and subsistence relating to BA (Hons) Accountancy |
| FR-0063380 | Lochbroom | 3 | £1,000.00 | To contribute to travel costs and subsistence relating to PGDE Primary Education teacher training course. |
| FR-0063382 | Strathpeffer | 3 | £1,000.00 | To fund fees for Transport Manager Certificate of Professional Competence course |
| FR-0063386 | Strathpeffer | 3 | £1,000.00 | To contribute to costs relating to HND Accounting |
| FR-0063394 | Lochbroom | 3 | £1,000.00 | To contribute to costs relating to BA (Hons) Art and Design (General Foundation) |
| FR-0063430 | Lochbroom | 3 | £600.00 | To assist with costs relating to BA (Hons) Film (year 2 award) |
| FR-0061235 | Strathpeffer | 3 | £500.00 | To contribute to costs of equipment relating to BA (Hons) Childhood & Youth Studies |
| FR-0061623 | Marybank Scatwell & Strathconon | 3 | £1,000.00 | To contribute to costs of accommodation, subistence and equipment relating to BSc Nursing Studies (Adult) |

| Reference | Area | Priority | Award | Award Description - Summary |
|------------|---------------------------------------|----------|-----------|--|
| FR-0061781 | Marybank Scatwell & Strathconon | 3 | £1,000.00 | To fund travel, equipment and accommodation relating to BSc in Adult Nursing (year 2 award). |
| FR-0061905 | Lochbroom | 3 | £1,000.00 | To contribute to costs of accommodation, equipment and subsistence relating to BSc (Hons) Sport and Exercise |
| FR-0061939 | Lochbroom | 3 | £1,000.00 | To contribute to costs relating to BSc Nursing (Children and Young People) |
| FR-0061943 | Garve | 3 | £1,000.00 | To purchase a laptop and contribute to subsistence costs relating to Childhood Practice course. |
| FR-0061963 | Garve | 3 | £70.00 | To fund the purchase of course books relating to Social Services and Healthcare (Adults) |
| FR-0062491 | Lochbroom | 3 | £1,000.00 | To contribute to cost of fees to obtain a full HGV Licence |
| FR-0063351 | Garve | 4 | £200.00 | To assist with travel costs relating to HNC Social Science (year 3 award) |
| FR-0061234 | Marybank S&S | 4 | £500.00 | To fund driving lessons to improve access to training and employment |
| FR-0061946 | Contin | 4 | £500.00 | To fund driving lessons to improve access to training and employment |
| FR-0061965 | Contin | 4 | £500.00 | To fund driving lessons to improve access to training and employment |
| FR-0062012 | Contin | 4 | £500.00 | To fund driving lessons to improve access to training and employment |

Support for Business & Organisations

| Reference | Awardee | Priority | Award | Award Description - Summary |
|------------|-----------------------------|----------|-----------|--|
| FR-0063296 | Ullapool Community Trust | 3 | £3,000.00 | To deliver accredited hospitality skills training to ten people in order to create a pilot staff bank to help local hospitality businesses remain open and viable. |
| FR-0061982 | An Talla Solais | 3 | £2,400.00 | To engage an experienced mentor to help staff and volunteers develop a five-year strategic plan to ensure the development and sustainability of the arts centre. |
| FR-0062259 | Kinder Croft CIC | 3 | £1,000.00 | To fund two SCQF Level 8 Forest School Leader courses for outdoor nursery staff to enhance childcare provision in Lochbroom. |

| Reference | Area | Priority | Award | Award Description - Summary |
|------------|--------------------------------|----------|-----------|---|
| FR-0062325 | Leckmelm Estate Partnership | 3 | £1,108.00 | To fund accountancy training and mentoring support for financial and business planning to grow and develop the farm business. |
| FR-0062015 | Morven Personal Development | 4 | £1,284.00 | To fund workshops to improve confidence, employability and wellbeing for up to 10 residents of Lochbroom |