Community Funding Bulletin 2024









Tannach and District Wind Farm Trust

In partnership with the Tannach and District Community Council, Foundation Scotland administers three local community benefit funds from local wind farms through the Tannach and District Wind Farm Trust. The wind farms are Gresham House's Wathegar 1&2 and RWE's Bilbster.

Foundation Scotland is an independent charity with expertise in grant making and provides governance and administrative support to the Funds under contract to the wind farm owners. The Foundation's costs for this service are paid from the Fund.

Decisions on awards are made by a local Funding Panel, comprising up to 14 volunteers from the community.

2024 Fund activity

During 2024 the total spend was £64,459...



including 10 awards to community groups totalling £53,840



... and 8 awards to people doing other training courses or further education totalling £10,619.

Need more info?

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How to apply

Guidance and forms



For guidance and to apply online go to: https://www.foundationscotland.org.uk or use the short link: https://bit.ly/TannachTrust

Application Deadlines:

- ❖ 28th February
- ❖ 30th June &
- 31st October



For individuals, there are no deadlines, you can apply anytime.

The 10 awards made in 2024 went to....

2 Tannach District based projects, which were awarded £4,000:

❖ Thrumster Community Development Association two awards of £2,000 each – To organise Easter Events and Halloween Events for the Thrumster Community

8 projects based elsewhere were awarded £49,840:

- Highlands and Islands Enterprise £12,500 towards the cost of the Newton Room Science Academy in Thurso
- Association of Northern Trails Scotland £2,944 for first essential strimming of the Caithness sections of the John O'Groats Trail in 2024
- ❖ Latheron Agricultural Society £2,000 new tables, table covers, chairs and signage for the 100th Latheron Show
- Trinkie Heritage Preservation Group £5,000 structural repairs to the pool wall
- ❖ Venture North £1,000 towards Taste North 2025
- ❖ Wick Community Hub £2,000 after school child care
- Wick Development Trust £19,396 towards a new toilet block and laundry facility
- ❖ Wick High School Parent Council £5,000 study clubs in the 2024 Easter holidays







Tannach and District Education and Training Awards

Anyone aged over 16 who lives within the Tannach and District area who wants to improve their employment opportunities can apply for short courses or multi-year courses. Costs might include course fees, course books, study aids or essential equipment.

8 Tannach and District residents received an award in 2024:

- £1,500 HNC Childhood Practice
- £974 Personal development courses focused on women's health
- £4,000 BSc Anatomy at Glasgow University
- £45 Emmi-Pet tooth cleaning training
- £1,500 SVQ Level 3 in Hairdressing

- £850 Premium Hair Extension Training course at The Weave Room in Inverness
- £750 SVQ 2 Performing Engineering Operations Units Level 5 at UHI North, West and Hebrides
- £1,000 Hairdressing at UHI North, West and Hebrides