

## **MINUTES OF WANLOCKHEAD VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 18<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER, 2020.**

Present/Taking part via Zoom and Telephone:

Catriona Blewer, Chair, Androulla Richford, Secretary & Temp Treasurer, Jean Edmiston, Marion Connolly, Sharon Connolly.

Apologies: Victoria Chanin

Minutes of the last public meeting held on 2<sup>nd</sup> March, 2020 and working notes of VC business carried out to date (to be displayed with these minutes) were read and approved. Proposer Catriona Blewer second Jean Edmiston.

Finance: Treasurers report up to September 1st. was presented and a copy attached to these minutes.

Micro Grants: VC in receipt of an application for £250 grant from Wanlockhead Community Trust to be used for admin, printing and accountant services. This was approved by 3 votes. There were 2 abstentions due to conflict of interest.

SSE Clyde Wind Farm Foundation Scotland meeting held on the 8<sup>th</sup> September. The VC's two Panel members, Catriona and Sharon took part via Zoom.

FS and VC also in communication regarding a previous Panel meeting

that awarded a grant of £2,752 for a project for a metal structure to be placed over a live Christmas Tree planted in the centre of the village. This project was not finalised before last year's AGM. The new committee felt under the change of circumstances and Covid 19 restricting activities it would be best to withdraw from this project. So the awarded grant will go back into the overall community fund.

On presentation of an invoice for £52.49 it was agreed a payment be made to the Secretary for ink for printing expenses on behalf of the VC.

Poly Tunnel/Gardens: We discussed the autumn /winter management. To date we have received no response from the Payback Team for grass cutting. It was agreed to contact Neil & Jennie who previously carried out work in the gardens and ask them to cut the grass before winter. We have £400 from the SSE grant allocated for garden maintenance, planting and landscaping and we have until April 2021 to use it.

Village Telephone Box: The VC bought this a few years back for the village it was initially used as a book exchange and now needing a clear out and cleaning. We discussed ideas for its further use such as it being used as a showcase for children's paintings and for local artists and craft makers, potted plants exchange or other displays. A few people have already expressed an interest in this as an ongoing project.

AGM : We had been hoping to hold this on the 19<sup>th</sup> October. A few days before this meeting the Government guidelines on gatherings from different households is now further restricted and it was unanimously agreed that we postpone plans for an AGM for now since we don't have the capacity to hold an inclusive AGM meeting by Zoom for all the village to take part.

We agreed that we will continue to look after essential VC business until we are able to hold an AGM.

Annual Village Clean Up:

Discussed and agree to hold this on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> October at 11 am.

Secretary to prepare a Poster for the information boards and local FB as well as a Health & Safety sheet for the day, also check on available equipment for this job.

The meeting ended at 12 pm