

Ellingham Community Trust

Minutes: 8th August 2019

Ellingham Village Hall

Present: Robert Stuart (in the Chair), Louis Fell, George Unwin, David Milne, James Mayers.

Apologies for Absence: Heather Cairns

1. Approval of Minutes:

Draft minutes of 11th July 2019 had not been circulated and will be approved at the meeting on 12th September.

ACTION : Clerk to email previous minutes to all Trustees and bring both sets

2. Actions not dealt with under this agenda.

None.

3. Treasurer's Report

a. Treasurer's Reports

Louis Fell presented the Treasurers Report to the Trustees.

Accounts for the Year ending 31st May 2019, total accounts £53,507.89. Expenditure included £30,271.30 for Solid Fuel Scheme, £2,995.98 for Domestic Appliance Scheme, £964.00 Personal Development Grants, £1,750.00 for Defib at Newham, £783.00 for Ellingham Parish Magazine, £72.30 for Banking Charges, £805.00 for Northumberland Accounts, £299 for Insurance and £25.00 for the website. £1200 will be returned from the Windfarm for the Banking Charges, Accounts, Insurance and the website.

Total accounts at £91,656.52. Payments out were £5,658.00 for the Church Repair Application, £100 for Domestic Appliance Scheme, and £100 for the Village Hall Gentle Exercise Class Application. No income has been received for the period.

4. Applications

a. Update : Church Repair Application Update

Completed and no further update required.

b. Update : Village Hall & Church Application Update

Louis Fell reported that the Windfarm had come back to him with a proposal for an advance payment to help with the funding request from the Village Hall and Church Application. This will come at an additional cost. Louis Fell said that he was still in discussions with the wind farm company and would update at the next meeting.

ACTION : David Milne to inform Gus McLeod and Neil Mundy about the current position.

ACTION : Louis Fell to go back to Windfarm Company and explore other options.

c. Application : Replacement Defib Pads for Ellingham Village Hall

An application was received to fund replacement defib pads for the defib at Ellingham Village Hall. The application was approved unanimously.

5. Update on Active Schemes

a. Domestic Appliance Scheme (DAS)

One application in the last period. George Unwin noted that no bank account details had been provided.

ACTION : Clerk to try to get in touch with the applicant to provide bank details.

b. Solid Fuel Scheme

Louis Fell noted that the Heat Logs have been ordered and the hard wood will be ordered once the demand is established. Trustees noted that forms would be hand delivered by the Trustees. Louis Fell reported that the plan would be to have heat logs delivered in October to avoid the delays experienced in 2018.

ACTION : Louis Fell to print the Solid Fuel Scheme application forms.

ACTION : Clerk to put notices on the website, and local noticeboards.

c. Personal Development Grant application

None in this period.

6. Any of Competent Business

James Mayers noted that new residents in Ellingham need to be included in the various schemes. Trustees noted their desire to ensure all permanent residents are included in the schemes and would verbally promote them rather than producing any marketing information.

7. Dates of the Next Meetings

Thursday 12th September 2019, 7pm in Ellingham Village Hall.

Thursday 10th October 2019, AGM 7pm in Ellingham Village Hall with ordinary meeting following.

Thursday 14th November 2019, 7pm in Ellingham Village Hall.

Thursday 5th December 2019, 7pm in Ellingham Village Hall.

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