

Sunart Community Benefit Fund Panel Meeting Wednesday 21st April 2021 7pm High School

Present: Eilidh-Ann Philips (Chair), Michelle Hilder, Val Barker, Sheila Wilson, Maureen Tyldsley, John Jones, James Hilder (SCCompany Rep), Elaine Sneddon-Hughes (SCCouncil Rep), Laura Wilson, Rebecca Drinkwater (Admin).

Apologies: Dugald MacIntyre, John Tylsdley, Sarah Traynor, Alistair MacLean

1) SCBF Review Document

- a) Discussion Panel members all agreed with the review summary and comments. See separate document.
- b) Panel Composition

Age Group	Total number that
	should be in each
	group
16-25	2
25-44	3
45-64	3
65+	2

- c) Any step downs for Re-election, Autumn and Spring
 - i) We had no step downs this year.
 - ii) We have a vacancy for 16-25 age bracket and one vacancies for the 25-44 age bracket.

2) Current Funding Available

£ 29,576	Current Reserves Comprised of
£ 9,576	Remaining from September 2020
£ 10,000	Donated from SCR in November 2020
£ 10,000	Donated from SCR in March 2021

3) This Rounds Applications

a) Declarations of interest

i) Panel members will update the declaration of interests forms at the next meeting

Application	Interests Declared
1. Ardnamurchan High School (Grant	
verbally agreed at the last SCBF	
meeting)	
2. Sunart Angling Association	Eilidh (Father is applicant), Sheila
(remainder of grant previously	(Husband is treasurer)
verbally agreed at the last SCBF	
Meeting)	
3. Urram (Dail Mhor Redevelopment)	John Jones (involved in project)
4. SCC – Community Consultation	John Jones, Rebecca Drinkwater, James
	Hilder, Michelle Hilder
5. Three Lochs Festival	
6. Fèis nan Garbh Chriochan	
7. Sunart Angling Association	
8. Care Lochaber -West Lochaber	Eilidh (Father is applicant), Sheila
Hospital Transport Project (Applied	(Husband is treasurer)
September 2020/1)	
9. Strontian Men's Shed (SCC)	John Jones, James Hilder, Sheila, Val,
	Michelle

4) Discussion of each application and award amount

Application	Award	Discussion
	Amount	
Ardnamurchan High School (Grant verbally agreed at the last SCBF meeting)	£1000	Panel approved the grant for Ardnamurchan High School which had been provisionally verbally agreed at the September 2020 meeting.
Sunart Angling Association (remainder of grant previously verbally agreed at the last SCBF Meeting)	£1,563	Panel approved the grant for the Angling Club, which had been provisionally verbally agreed at the September 2020 meeting.
Urram (Dail Mhor Redevelopment)	£2500	Panel feel it is important to support this project and help with the redevelopment
SCC – Community Consultation	£3,000	Panel feel that this (along with other funding applied for by SCC) will help with the proposed wider community consultation.
Three Lochs Festival	£0	Panel feel that the decision should be deferred until have more information regarding online events, and contingency plans R.E. Covid-19 restrictions changing again
Fèis nan Garbh Chrìochan	£1000	Panel feel this would help with the purchase of instruments required.
Sunart Angling Association	£2460	Panel feel this will help with the project stated
Care Lochaber -West Lochaber Hospital Transport Project (Applied September 2020/1)	£2000	Panel feel that this amount will be helpful to the project, but state that an addition £1000 (which would equate to full amount applied for), could potentially be provided at another time, if this would cause issues for the continuation of the programme.

Total Awarded	£15,523	
		difference in the community.
(SCC)		the new men's shed, to help the project make a
Strontian Men's Shed	£2000	The Panel feel this amount will help with the set up of

5) Feedback from Applicants

Agree that we need to gather feedback and make sure funds are spent as agreed.

6) SCBF Endowment Fund:

The ethical investment scheme with Foundation Scotland was discussed, and how FS will match fund up to £50k.

The board committed to investing £5000 in the scheme, with a potential further £5000 to be discussed at the Autumn 2021 SCBF Panel Meeting.

7) Remaining funds going into 2021.

£ 14,053

Un allocated funds remaining

8) Next meeting

Depending on SCR financials, a round will be held in Autumn 2021.