Dunadd Community Council

Treasurer's Report 2022/23 - Di Roberts

Dunadd Community Council operates three bank accounts, one for general expenses, one for Ventient Energy A'Chruach Wind Farm Micro Grants and one for RWE Braevallich Hydro Scheme Community Fund.

The accounts have been independently verified by Sue Creech and are available on www.dunaddcc.org

General:

Funding is received from Argyll and Bute Council on an annual basis to enable the administration of the Community Council. A payment of £474.40 was received in August 2022.

A total of £200 was spent on secretarial costs, this is lower than usual as the Community Council did not operate for 3 months. Bank charges were paid and refunded. A payment for web hosting and email was approved in 2022, but the cheque was not issued until after the end of the financial year. This (£144) will show up in 2023/24 accts.

A grant of £500 was secured from Argyll and Bute Council Covid 19 Community Grant in 2022/23. It was to enable the Community Council to re-engage with communities across the area to promote the Community Council, what it does and to begin a conversation identifying community needs. This work was done in partnership with Dunadd Community Enterprise. Where possible our desire was to support existing community events and meet as many folks as possible face to face. The funding was used to support a community questionnaire, a film night in Ford and Kilmartin Community Fun Day.

A grant of £2,750 was secured from A'Chruach Wind Farm Community Fund to purchase a defibrillator for Kilmichael. There has been no expenditure on this fund to date.

The account shows a balance £6,043.19,of which £3,293.19 is for administration/general purposes and £2,750 for the Kilmichael defibrillator, both of which will be carried forward into 2023/24.

Ventient Energy A'Chruach Micro Grants:

This funding is administered by Foundation Scotland and distributed by the Community Council. Funds are requested as and when needed, £2,500 is the max per annum.

Grants of up to £250 are available for individuals and groups to apply for as and when required. Applicants must be able to show how the community will benefit and apply by letter to any Community Council meeting.

Bank charges were paid and refunded.

A total of eight grants were awarded in this period totalling £1,709. Community benefits included:

- Wildflowers for Kilmichael
- Replaced defibrillator batteries in Ford
- Replaced defibrillator pads in Kilmartin Village and Primary School
- Extension of Book Swap hours to offer a warm space and light lunch during the colder months
- Visiting dance group expenses
- Software upgrades for Kilmartin defibrillators (two separate grants)
- Children's garden, Kilmichael Primary School. The cheque went astray and was not cashed so this will be paid in 2023/24.

The accounts show a balance of £1,806.18 which will be carried forward into 2023/24.

RWE Braevallich Hydro Scheme Community Fund:

This fund is administered by Dunadd Community Council on behalf of Ford Village Hall Committee. An annual payment is received from RWE, this figure is based on the output of the hydro-scheme and is non-negotiable. A payment of £1,896.77 was received in Jan 2023.

Bank charges were paid and refunded.

The only expenditure from this account was £148.20 to purchase defibrillator pads.

The accounts show a balance of £5,998.26 which will be carried forward into 2023/24.