

ELCC meeting – Tuesday, 20th April 2021

19.30 by Webex

1 - Present and apologies

Present Community Councillors Colin Bloomfield (minutes), Janette MacDonald, Anne Lyall, Janice Hanvidge, Chris Bruce (Chair), Julia Harrison

Apologies Donna Collins.

Visitors In attendance - None

2 - Approval of previous Minute

Further minor corrections to minutes from 30th March 2021 were approved. Proposed Chris B, Seconded Janice H.

3. Crystal Rig III agreement

The current proposal was that FOR would release funds pretty much up front - more proactively than the current arrangement, but still require application details to be submitted before any funding would be allowed to be issued, but hopefully this would be within around 10 days or so. CB had suggested to FOR that all 3 agreements be aligned in terms of process.

This was much faster than the current situation.

4. Treasurer's Report

Current fund balances stood as:

Crystal Rig I	£29,362
Crystal Rig II	£266,092
Crystal Rig III	£244,802 (accrued)

Annual approx total accrual is around £136,862 plus RPI

JH checked the original agreements and confirmed that RPI should be cumulative year on year.

Action - JH would check previous years accounts to establish FOR had followed agreement policy of cumulative RPI accrual.

Olhamstocks and Innerwick Village Hall refurbishments would make a significant dent in these funds, thought to be around £400k currently.

5. Covid-19 Support

The Covid-19 Community Support Fund is currently £17,432.84. Currently £22,832 had been paid out to applicants

6. Exercise on Referral

Janice H and Janette MacD had been in contact with Enjoy Leisure, who are looking to employ one person in a co-ordinator type role to support the programme. The course providers would need training in Level 3 Exercise Referral. ELCC agreed to pay for this additional training requirement for 2 individuals.—

ELCC would also fund the £30 per person per month for 100 people to give a total project funding of approx. £10,200. It was thought this would be likely to fund around 4 months service provision.

It was agreed unanimously to progress Exercise on Referral on a project basis. CB would email Alison MacDonald & Sharon Saunders to inform them of our intention to progress the project. CB would also contact the Health & Social Care Partnership to inform them of ELCC intentions (**Action CB**)

7. Community Support Fund future options

J MacD highlighted 'Wild Minds' - basically beach open air sessions for primary school kids. A discussion followed. It was thought this offered very good value for money and was well worth a pilot session, possibly at Spott, Innerwick or Stenton schools.

JH commented that we ought to check with the Ridge in terms of our last £12k donation and whether/how that benefitted individuals (Action JH & JMacD)

AL commented that the Lottery funded events (all on-line currently) in Spott were progressing well, being run by Kelly Thacker. The concept design for cycle ways was also due pretty soon and match funding was likely to be needed for this.

8. Covid responders – Village Reviews

Janice H commented we were now at a stage we could probably revert to a 'good neighbour' approach.

Stenton & Oldhamstocks now only had one person requiring regular support.

Spott & Innerwick had wound done and were effectively disbanded, but willing to step up again at short notice if required.

Decision : Continue as is, in case a future wave changes current circumstances.

9. Long term Strategy

Various Councillors were due to step down at September/October elections. It was decided to reserve the August meeting date as a strategic review meeting

10. Dates of Next Meetings

4th May – Funding meeting prior at 18.00

8th June

24th August

14th September

26th October

16th November - Funding meeting prior at 18.00