

Ellingham Community Trust

Minutes: 8th April 2021, 7pm

Present: David Milne (in the Chair), George Unwin, Robert Stuart, Judy Glover, David Metcalfe, Louis Fell.

Apologies for Absence: None.

1. Approval of Minutes:

Draft minutes of 11th March 2021 were approved, proposed by Judy Glover and seconded by George Unwin. It was noted that notes of the meeting of 11th March 2021 were taken by David Milne in the absence of the Clerk owing to illness, and typed up by the Clerk on her recovery.

The Clerk noted the lack of Treasurer's Report on the previous minutes, and the AGM minutes.

ACTION : Louis Fell to provide both reports for inclusion.

2. Actions not dealt with under this agenda. None.

3. Treasurer's Report

a. Treasurer's Reports

Louis Fell delivered the Treasurer's report. The total in the accounts are £59,300.

4. Applications

a. Update : Ellingham Village Hall & St Maurice's Church.

It was noted that Ellingham Village Hall had not heard back on the loan application from NCC.

No further update from St Maurice's Church.

David Milne noted that Eileen Duncan had applied for the funds for the Parish Magazine after the last meeting. The Trustees noted that the payment of £554.07 had been approved by email.

5. Update on Active Schemes

a. Domestic Appliance Scheme (DAS)

George Unwin noted that one application was received since the last meeting. The scheme continues to be popular.

b. Solid Fuel Scheme

The Trustees asked the Clerk about the letters sent to Solid Fuel Scheme applicants from Maxwell Drive and Carnaby Drive. The Clerk confirmed that all respondents to date were permanent residents. The Clerk noted that she had not written to those households who had not applied to the solid fuel scheme.

ACTION : Clerk to put letters to new owners who have not applied to the schemes.

The Clerk noted an email request for a future Solid Fuel Scheme to include vouchers for fuel oil. After a discussion of this, the Trustees noted that the applicant would be entitled to £200 for not having a solid fuel burner.

ACTION : Clerk to respond to the applicant.

The Trustees noted plans to review all the schemes at the next physical meeting.

c. Personal Development Scheme. No applications received since the last meeting. The Trustees noted that there have been no applications for some time. Judy Glover suggested that owing to Covid, parishioner's focus may not be on personal development, and the scheme may see more applications when the pandemic is over.

6. Chathill Interactive Lights

George Unwin updated the Trustees with the current status of the repair of the Interactive Lights. Progress is being made, but the repairs are not yet complete. The Trustees thanked George Unwin for his continued work on the lights.

7. Any of Competent Business. None.

8. Dates of the Next Meetings

Dates of next meetings: 13th May, 10th June, 8th July, 12th August, 9th September, 14th October, 11th November, 9th December.

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