

**East Kintyre Windfarm Trust**  
**Minutes of Meeting**  
**7pm Thursday 2 May 2024**  
**Carradale Village Hall**

**Welcome:** Ian Brodie (Chair) welcomed everyone to the meeting and handed over to Alasdair Bennett (Secretary/ Treasurer).

**Attendance:** Ian Brodie (IB), Alasdair Bennett (AB), Josè MacKinnon (JM), Shelagh Cameron (SC), Audrey Willan and Rebecca Paterson.

Councillor Dougie McFadzean was in attendance over a Zoom link.

**Apologies:** Robert Strang and Eleanor Sloan. Although not in attendance, both had participated in the pre-meeting on 25 April and shared their views in relation to the applications.

**Declarations of Interest:** Village Hall IB, Play Park SC.

**SPR Due Diligence Statement:** All members have confirmed that they still comply with the statement. AB will send a signed copy to SPR along with the annual return.

**Financial Update:** AB provided an update on the finances of the EKWFT and advised that when outstanding grants were taken from the balance of the current account there remained £157,907 for allocation at the meeting and the autumn tranche in November 2024. It was noted that the number of grant applications was beginning to increase with the amounts being requested growing larger. A total of 8 application (including maintenance budget) had been made for a total of £82,989. Since East Kintyre Community Fund recently attracted 13 applications, some requesting large amounts, it would appear community groups are very active once again following the pandemic.

**Applications:** 8 new applications were considered and several applicants were represented at the meeting to speak on behalf of their particular project. Debbie Wragg spoke on behalf of Carradale Primary School Parent Council and explained why transport costs should be granted for pupils attending swimming lessons in Campbeltown. Trustees agreed that a grant approved in November 2022 should also be paid on receipt of invoices as the children had travelled for other activities when the swimming pool was closed for repair.

Phil Moorcroft was in attendance and explained CCT proposals for upgrading a path in the village. While trustees were unconvinced of the need for the project they were supportive of additional grass cutting to make the path more walkable. Tony Leighton for Carradale Village Hall explained their proposals for a complete revamp of the toilet areas. Trustees were very supportive and recognise the village hall as a key community facility.

Patricia Collins and Debbie Wragg put forward CAPP's proposals for a refurbished play park and explained the items of equipment they hoped to have installed. They were advised that a grant of £16,000 would be made available, but that this would be reviewed in the event of them falling short with their funding target.

Alan Milstead was able to speak to the application from The Kintyre Way for some maintenance work on the East Kintyre section of the route. A small grant was agreed on the condition that it will only be paid once a full 5 year business plan is in place, something EKWFT and other local funders have been requesting for some time.

A maintenance budget that covers a range of small projects in and around Carradale was agreed by the trustees.

The results of all applications are detailed in the attached schedule (see <https://eastkintyre.org/ekwft-past-awards>).

**AOCB** - The EKWFT AGM will be held after the EKCC meeting on Thursday 4 July.

As there was no further EKWFT business, the meeting was closed at 8.50pm.

**Date of next meeting:** Thursday 7 November 2024