

WEST KINTYRE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

WIND FARM TRUST

ANNUAL REPORT 2019

Since the last report to the Umbrella Trust AGM there has been two allocation meetings held in October 2018 and April 2019 with the next scheduled to take place in October 2019. We continue to many regular events and activities such as the Kintyre Way Ultra, local ploughing matches, village halls and other local clubs and groups such as the four local Scottish Women's Institute groups in the area.

Some of the larger grants include:

- £1600 to Shopper-Aide a local charity that collects and delivers repeat prescriptions in the area for those not able to carry out this task themselves plus offers a befriending and social activities service to residents in the area.
- £1500 to the Kintyre and Gigha Marketing Group to help with the redesign of their website.
- £2800 to West Kintyre Community Council for the replacement of out of date batteries and pads in the 6 defibrillators dispersed throughout the area
- £1500 to the Killean and Parish Church group for the purchase of a digital hymnal. Due to the loss of several local people able to play the church organ this purchase will allow music to be played at all services held within the churches
- £12000 to the "Turn Tayinloan Around Project" an exciting project linked to the West Kintyre Community Action Plan which identified the need for a playpark in the West Kintyre Area. The only suitable area in the west is that of the playing fields at Tayinloan. A local group has taken up the challenge to fund raise and develop part of the playing fields with state of art play and adventure equipment ranging from infant's swings for the very young to zip wires for older age groups. The cost of the equipment including insurance and maintenance is £58000 of which much fund raising has been done by the young people themselves. To date £52000 has been raised. At its last meeting the wind farm trust agreed it would "top up" the final amount needed if the final sum had not been reached by October of this year. This will enable the equipment to be installed over the winter months and be available for both residents and visitors to the area by the spring of 2020. It is hoped to further develop the playing fields over the next few years to that of an excellent outdoor sporting facility area able to host a variety of outdoor events and sports activities.
- Clachan Village Hall £4800 – due to the hall's deteriorating state the villagers have set up a redevelopment fund to raise funds for its replacement, to help with this project the wind farm trust has given £1000 for a conditions survey of the hall and £3800 revenue costs for two large fund raising events.
- £2500 to the McCorkindale School of Dancing, Campbeltown to help with the costs of their attendance at the American Highland Dance Championships held in Las Vegas with ~~trish@highland~~ Highland Dance

