Furnace Community Council April 2020 – March 2021 A Brief History

Context

From early lockdown April 2020, Furnace CC members communicated and made decisions by email. From June 2020 to February 2021 we have been meeting monthly via Zoom, with members of the public invited and attending.

In May 2020 we made a successful application to Foundation Scotland for financial support during the COVID 19 pandemic, receiving £900 in addition to our annual £1,000 Windfarm Microgrant funding.

We used the emergency grant to buy masks and hand gel, which were distributed free to residents, and to offset additional costs related to daily food and newspaper deliveries. These were mainly undertaken by the local shop, which played a vital part throughout the first lockdown, with grateful thanks to Cindy and David MacInnes, who run the Furnace Stores.

Communication

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