

Annandale and Nithsdale Community Benefit NEWSLETTER

COMPANY NOW INCORPORATED

The new board of Annandale and Nithsdale Community Benefit Company (AN CBC) is now incorporated.

Our Company Number is SC: 492185

The legal agreement between SPR is currently being worked through and it is anticipated that it will be signed and agreed within the next two weeks.

There are 12 directors forming the board of this new and exciting organisation. Board Members are:

East	Nicholas Jennings	Eskdalemuir
East	Richard Mann	Johnstone
East	Martin Brown	Kirkpatrick Juxta
East	Jean Purves	Moffat (Treasurer)
South	VACANT	
South	Maureen Johnstone	Tinwald Parish
South	Murdoch Macpherson	Dalton & Carrutherstown
South	Russell Stuart	Heathhall
West	David Dick	Closeburn
West	Alistair McFadzean	Dunscore
West	Derek Ivy	Kirkmahoe
West	Richard Clarke	Kier

There is one **VACANCY** in the South Area. If you have a nomination for board membership please contact Julia Whitaker (julia@ailsahorizons.co.uk) in the first instance.

The board would like to thank John Magill for his work and contributions to setting up AN CBC and his further help with the Schools Project for the Logo Brief



AN CBC Board Members working through their November meeting at Tinwald Parish Hall



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THANKS TO SPR

The Board would like to thank Scottish Power Renewables for opportunity it has given the communities surrounding the Harestanes Windfarm to control and use the Community Benefit Funds kindly given by SPR.

The board looks forward to working with SPR over the next 25 years and to demonstrating that communities can make significant positive changes to their surroundings, facilities and activities through the potential £8 million that will be invested into the fund over the

Schools invited to take part in LOGO Design Competition

A design brief has been sent to the senior Academy Schools in the Annandale and Nithsdale areas to encourage them to take part in a competition to develop a LOGO for the company. This will be an important and exciting opportunity for students wishing to study Art or Media as it will give them a live assignment and a piece of work they can put forward in College / University applications or future job opportunities.

There will be a short list of 10 entries with the winner receiving a £200 cash prize, £100 for their school and the rest receiving a £20 cash prize for taking part.

The winning logo will then be used as the formal 'face' of AN CBC, on letter headings, application forms, website and posters etc Short listing will be done to suit the schools prelim exam schedules—possibly towards the end of January with the winner being announced in Mid February to coincide with our launch event.

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Small Grants coming soon

Early in the new year we should be in a position to distribute funds to each established Community Council that signed up to the company.

Our Chairman will be writing to the secretary from each community council to advise them of the process and eligibility requirements. Once signed forms have been received back, funds will be disbursed to each Community Council via their nominated representative.

PLEASE LOOK OUT FOR THIS INFORMATION AND SEND BACK AS PROMPTLY AS POSSIBLE

Launch Event

When we have funds credited to our account we will host a launch event.



This is being planned as a Dragons Den type of event where local schools will be given the opportunity to pitch for a £500 prize for their school, based on a social enterprise activity that the school will undertake with that prize money.

There will be a local panel of Dragons for each school to pitch for and a decision made as to the winning pitch.

Get ready for Application Process Opening

The board is looking forward to advertising for the first round of applications early in the new year and would urge all community groups to start to think about their applications now.

Grants will be split as follows:

Up to £5,000—simple short application form

£5,001 to £20,000—a little more information is needed

Over £20,000 project proposal form required first and more in-depth information at Stage 2

FURTHER INFORMATION

If you would like more information about AN CBC please contact

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