

Minutes of the CGLMC Ltd Community Benefits Sub-Committee Meeting held in the CGLMC Ltd Offices at 20 Links Parade on Wednesday 3rd May 2017

Present: G Paton (Convenor), P Sawers, C Yule, J McLeish, I Frier, D Cheape

Meeting began at 1830 hours.

1. Apologies

There were none.

2. Declarations of Interest

C Yule declared an interest in the application from the Mercantile and Carnoustie Golf Clubs.

D Cheape declared an interest in the application from S.A.P.A.L.D.

3. Applications for Discussion

Sixteen applications had been received and each was discussed and points were awarded to those which met the qualifying criteria, using the agreed matrix. The requests were then considered for awards and the recommendations will be passed to the Full Board of Trustees for approval.

4. Greenkeeping Machinery

G Paton explained that we had now received 2 applications from local golf courses looking for machinery. He explained that when Carnoustie Golf Links renew equipment, the Links Superintendent either trades in or sells the existing machinery. G Paton said that he had sought the opinion of the Greens Convenor, Finance Convenor and the Links Superintendent on whether it would be acceptable for the Community Benefits sub-committee to offer this used equipment to other local courses. The Community Benefits sub-committee would then compensate the greenkeeping machinery budget for the appropriate amount. They had agreed in principle to this arrangement. It was noted that, in most instances, the full re-sale value could amount to a substantial percentage of the Community Benefits budget. It was agreed that this could be instituted but that it would be more appropriate to offer a discount to any interested course. G Paton also noted that there would be procedural issues to be determined before any offers were made.

5. Amended Form

G Paton explained that the 6 page application form was too complex for minor requests. He circulated a simplified form, for applications of £2,500 or less, and the format was agreed.

D Cheape asked if the front page could show more clearly what items would not be considered for grants. G Paton noted that the cover sheet required updating and that this would be incorporated.

6. Any Other Competent Business

Late Application

G Paton explained that an application had been received 2 weeks late from an organisation that had won a place to represent Scotland in a competition due to take place in September. As a result, this application could not be held back until November's meeting, and he asked that it was discussed now. It was agreed to consider the request.

Additional Grant Opportunities

D Cheape had emailed the sub-committee with details of 2 causes which would be worth supporting.

After discussion, it was agreed that application forms had to be submitted by the due dates. However, since both had merit, if the appropriate paperwork was received, they could be considered.

It was agreed that it might now be worthwhile to review the Awards and Grants procedures and that an interim meeting might be appropriate.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 2115 hours.