#### م. <u>Minutes of the CGLMC Ltd Community Benefits Sub-Committee Meeting</u> held in the Boardroom, Links House on Thursday 3rd February 2022

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

In Attendance: D Archibald (Administrator)

Meeting began at 1730 hours.

# 1. Apologies

None.

# 2. Declarations of Interest

None

# 3. Launch of £25k fund

The Convenor welcomed members to the meeting and advised the group its purpose was to consider how to award £25k of allocated funds before 31 March 2022.

# 4. <u>Consider targeting the fund towards whole of community applications v. traditional</u> <u>individual applications</u>

The Convenor asked the group to consider the merit of awarding funds to, 'whole of community' projects, to reach and support the wider community. There followed a discussion around what could typically be described and recognised as being a 'whole of community' project. Ideas, ranging from supporting a local food bank/social supermarket to community led infrastructure projects and Christmas lights, were discussed. It was acknowledged the fund would still attract bids from various community groups and agreed that if supporting a 'whole of community' project was preferred, this would be declared in the communications strategy. The question of awarding funds to support local project set up costs was also raised. It was established, that if the application criteria are met, bids to support project set up costs could be considered on a case-by-case basis.

The timescale to launch the fund, process and consider applications and present awards (by 31 March 2022) was discussed and the merit of ring fencing the funds (£25k) and delaying the whole process until later in 2022 was suggested. The group decided delaying would be the best option and the Convenor undertook to discuss the proposal with the CGL Executive.

#### Action

Convenor to discuss, with the CGL Executive, a proposal to ring fence the funds and delay the Community Benefits launch until August 2022.

#### 5. Decide a relevant date

The group agreed to meet again in August 2022, or earlier if appropriate, to consider launching the 2022 Community Benefits Fund at that time.

### 6. Agree a communications strategy

Communications strategy to be placed on hold until the next meeting.

# 7. Any Other Competent Business

Details of all awards are currently recorded on various (date specific) spreadsheets.

#### **Action**

Administrator to develop a search friendly single live spreadsheet to show details of all awards.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 1820 hours.