



# Fort Augustus and Glenmoriston Community Company

## **FAGCC – Who we are**

Fort Augustus & Glenmoriston Community Company was created by the Community Council in 2006 to receive the community benefit from the windfarms and Hydro schemes in the area. We distribute this money through our grant scheme which has been approved & agreed by the funders. We also run projects on behalf of the Community. As well as our grant scheme, we are run the Community Caretakers project, own & run the Fort Augustus Village Hall, currently re-building the Medical Centre, run an apprenticeship scheme & we have bought the Old Convent land for Community development. The Company is run by a board of voluntary Directors & follows strict Company law & OSCR rules as we are also a registered charity. FAGCC has one part-time Administrator & a part-time Bookkeeper.

## **Membership**

We encourage everyone age 16+ who resides in the Fort Augustus & Glenmoriston area to become a member of FAGCC. It is free to join & allows you to vote at the AGM on who will be Directors of the Company & any changes to the setup of the Company. If you would like a membership form or have any questions about being a member, please use the contact details below or visit our website – [www.communitycompany.co.uk](http://www.communitycompany.co.uk)

## **AGM & how you can get involved**

This year, our AGM will be held on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> November, 7pm at the Fort Augustus Village Hall. We would love to see as many of our members there & non-members are welcome too. The year's events will be discussed as well as the accounts then there will be tea, coffee & time for questions. We are always looking for members of the Community to get involved & become Directors. If you feel like you might want to be a Director, please get in touch using the contact details below. It's a great opportunity to make a difference in your Community.

## **Community Action Plan**

We are just coming to the end of a Community Action Plan process that we commissioned & was helped made possible by a wonderful steering group that came together to represent many of the local groups & interests in the area. The final document will be getting delivered to every household shortly. We hope you enjoy reading it & to follow that, there is going to be a launch evening on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> October at 7pm with the title of 'Moving planning into Action'. All welcome & refreshments will be available.

## **Grant Scheme**

We offer four types of grants, they are ~

1. Student grant - £250 per full time student to help with travel costs. There is an additional £500 grant for equipment available to students from low income families.
2. Individual for Community Benefit – Up to £1,000 available if you have a project/event that is for Community benefit.
3. Constituted Groups (up to £10k) – This is our main grant programme for all local groups that are run for the benefit of those that live in the Fort Augustus & Glenmoriston area.
4. Constituted Groups (over £10k) – Same as above but for larger projects.

Each of the grants comes with rules & guidance that are set by our funders. For more information on the grants, help with applying or help setting up a group or an idea, please use the contact details below.

We also run our apprenticeship grant scheme – if you are an employer or you would like to take part in an apprenticeship, please get in touch to find out more.

## **Medical Centre**

After such a long wait to start the building, we are very pleased with the progress of the build. This has been a long & complicated journey that has been fraught with difficulties but we hope that once completed, you will all have a 1<sup>st</sup> class medical centre fit for purpose & one that our Community can be very proud of & even better, the Community own it. For progress reports, we have a page set up on Facebook (FAGCC New Medical Centre) plus a page on our website & posters on the noticeboards.

## **Minutes**

Minutes of the boards meetings are available on our website at [www.communitycompany.co.uk](http://www.communitycompany.co.uk) but as we are a company, our minutes are not available until they have been approved at meeting following so can take one to two months before they are published.

## **Contact**

For information or help on any of the above or any other query, please contact our Administrator, Sharon Ferguson on one of the following ~

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