# Range of criteria for grants from The Community Council Windfarm Trust

## 1. Positive criteria

Applications that fulfil the greatest number of the following criteria have the best chance of being successful.

#### Criteria (a) must be met

- a. The area in which the grant is to benefit is the Area of "The Community Council"
- b. The organisation is a recognised charity
- c. The organisation has a constitution, committee, accounts and has held an AGM within the past year
- d. The grant will be used to benefit the social, educational or religious life of the community
- e. The grant will be used for proposals that result in improved energy efficiency, improved energy management or innovative renewable or sustainable energy projects.
- f. The grant will be used to benefit tourism, or the scenic or historical value of the area.
- g. The grant will benefit the community at large.
- h. The grant will benefit the young or the elderly
- i. The grant will benefit the disabled or the disadvantaged.

#### 2. Negative criteria

Applications that fall into the following categories will have less chance of success.

- a. Grants sought by individuals
- b. Grants sought for projects that are expected to be undertaken by statutory bodies, such as the local Council, Social work, Police, Schools and Health Service.
  - **NB** Grants will be available for the above for the likes of extracurricular activities or locally run initiatives that fulfil a number of the positive criteria.
- c. Grants sought retrospectively
- d. Grants sought which expect the trust to fund the project in its entirety
- e. Grants sought where a large amount is requested and only a few people benefit.
- f. Grants sought for projects that bear little relation to the geographical area of "The Community Council"

# 3. Grants for Revenue Costs

Grants are available for Revenue or running costs for the following:

- a. A village hall or church building that has charitable status.
  - I. Where there has been fundraising to at least the amount of the grant.
  - II. With reference to a set of accounts
  - III. With the proviso that the money does not simply increase the general balance.
- b. A project deemed suitable by "The Community Council" that fulfils a number of the positive criteria above.

# 4. Grants for Capital Costs

Grants are available for Capital or project costs with the following considerations:

- a. That the project may only be totally funded by the Trust when there is no other funding available from another source.
- b. When other funding is available the Trust may only part fund the project.
- c. The Trust may in exceptional circumstances make grant for costs incurred.

# 5. Revision of "range and criteria"

"The Community Council" reserves the right to adjust the range of and criteria for grants in the light of experience. All such adjustments will be made in accordance with the "Deed of Trust" set up by Argyll and Bute Council.