

WIGTOWNSHIRE SPORTS COUNCIL

Minutes of Executive Committee held in Glen of Luce Hall, Auchencmalg
at 7.30 pm on Thursday 25th May 2023.

Jim welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked them for their attendance.

In Attendance

Jim Hayes, Chairman

Alex Whiteside

Jane McDowall (Secretary & Treasurer)

Alison Murray - Dumfries & Galloway Council Leisure & Sport

John Galloway, Vice Chairman

Councillor Richard Marsh, D&G Council

1. Apologies

Dot Plant, Jamie Nelson, Clare Burns, Mark Taylor and Councillor Chrissie Hill.

2. Minutes of Previous Meeting (27th April 2023)

All agreed that the minutes were an accurate record of the business conducted and the adoption of the minutes was proposed by John Galloway and seconded by Jim Hayes.

3. Matters Arising not covered on Agenda

None.

4. Affiliations

CLUBS - Wigtown Coastal Rowing Club.

Senior Individuals - Bruce and Andrew McLean (angling).

5. Treasurer's Report

I&E to 25th May 2023 - circulated. No questions raised.

Grant award paperwork had been received from Dumfries & Galloway Council. It was unanimously agreed to accept the award of £8,000 and the acceptance form was signed by the Chair and Treasurer.

6 Sports Council Grant Applications

Grant Acceptance Forms received from Harry Lockwood, Esther Hamill, Finlay Nelson, Ruby and Charley Hilferty. First 50% of grant awards to be paid.

Jane

Use of Grant Report Form received from Galloway Hillbillies Bike Club. Final 50% of grant award to be paid.

Jane

The under-noted grant applications were considered and decisions made as follows:

| Ref | Applicant | Detail | Award |
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| WSC/014 | Bruce McLean | Assistance with travel and accommodation costs to represent Scotland at The Home Nations in Wales in July 2023. | £275.00 |
| WSC/015 | Andrew McLean | Assistance with travel and accommodation costs to represent Scotland at The Home Nations in Wales in July 2023. | £275.00 |

7. Visit by Gary Grieve, National Development Manager Scottish ClubSport

A number of ideas and suggestions were put forward including wheelchair curling, bowling, meet the funders, meet Clubs, attend Agricultural shows, share video presentations from Clubs on social media, etc.

Reference was made to the Amazing Summer Fund on offer from Dumfries & Galloway council. Alison suggested working with Glenda Dewar from YMCA, which puts on a number of activities over the summer and Lewis McCulloch, who is involved with Disability Sport.

It was agreed that the Sports Council needed to raise awareness of the support on offer and how best to do that would be discussed along with possibilities for attendance by Gary.

It was agreed to add to agenda for June meeting to allow for more time to consider options.

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8. AOCB

Councillor Marsh enquired if there could be an incentive with affiliation to encourage more clubs and individuals to join to support the Sports Council. This was considered a good idea and is to be added to Agenda for discussion.

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Discussion took place around funding. It was agreed that Jane should contact Third Sector D&G to speak to a Funding Manager for details of potential funders.

Jane

Alex raised a good point about the number of successful sportspeople from Wigtownshire, some of whom had previously been supported by Wigtownshire Sports Council. Alex also raised the query about how many more could have been helped with additional funding.

9. Date of Next Meeting

Thursday 29th June 2023 at 7.30 pm - in Glen of Luce Community Hall, Auchenmalg.

John tendered his apologies for the June meeting.

Jim thanked everyone for their attendance and input. The meeting closed at 8.20 pm.