

SCDT Funding Success

At its meeting on Tuesday 24 June, the Board of Skirling Community Development Trust heard it had been successful in its funding bid to SSE Renewables Clyde Wind Farm Community Fund. Funding has been secured for the next two years to appoint a part-time Community Coordinator to support the work of the Trust, keep the community engaged and informed, and take forward the priority projects from the Skirling Community Plan.

So watch out for the advertisement coming soon for the post of Skirling Community Coordinator, and please apply if interested or if you would like to hear more about the role, or send on to anyone else you think might be interested.

Other news included the work that has been undertaken to create and map where there may be land parcels in and around Skirling which could be acquired for the benefit of the community and held by the Trust on behalf of the community and to enable some of the Community Plan projects to go ahead.

At this stage the Trust is seeking expertise to help set out the options for the community, and to be clear about what is involved - and the intention then is to bring forward the different options and recommendations later in the year for the community to hear about and decide on.

There was also a discussion around how the Trust could best support other projects to move forward – including the idea for a Skirling playpark and other project ideas highlighted in the Community Plan. This will gather pace once a part-time coordinator is in post but the Trust are also keen to work with the different volunteer groups already in place, and a number of members have also come forward to say they would be interested in getting involved in the different projects.

The intention is still to hold an open meeting for members and the wider community once the Co-ordinator is in post and the Trust have had a chance to look at the different projects that are planned for the coming year to allow members to have their say on the different projects and ideas – most likely to be in the early autumn now, but we shall keep everyone up to date.



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