

SANDFORD AND UPPER AVONDALE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Kype Muir Windfarm Community Benefit Fund Public Consultation Survey

Sandford and Upper Avondale Community Council (SUACC) is currently developing a Community Action Plan for our community. The Action Plan is aimed at improving the area in which we live and work. It does not seek to replace the work of South Lanarkshire Council or any other public body and will focus instead on key themes for targeted action which are outlined later in this survey.

We would like to invite you to attend one of our two **PUBLIC CONSULTATION DROP-IN EVENTS** on **Saturday 2nd February** when we will be at **Sandford Village Hall** from **10.30am until 12noon** and **Gilmourton Rural Hall** from **2pm until 3.30pm**. Please pop in for a chat.

Your input is crucial to the development of an Action Plan that represents the whole community which is why we would also ask that you please take a few minutes to complete this survey. Your thoughts and input are really valuable and we appreciate your time. This survey can also be completed online at:

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/SUACC>.

Your experiences

To start with, please tell us THREE things you like about your community:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

Purpose and remit of the Kype Muir Community Benefit Fund

To help you to understand how the Kype Muir Community Benefit Fund will operate and the types of projects and initiatives that could benefit, we have provided a brief overview of its purpose and remit.

The Banks Kype Muir Community Benefit Fund (KMCF) has been established to provide financial assistance to community groups, voluntary organisations and the local community via the Kype Muir Community Partnership in the area surrounding the Kype Muir Wind Farm. The fund will be shared equally between the Community Council areas of Sandford and Upper Avondale, Lesmahagow, Stonehouse, Blackwood and Kirkmuirhill and Strathaven and Glassford.

What's it for?

Grants from the fund can only go to the following charitable purposes:

- the promotion of energy efficiency
- environmental protection
- landscape conservation
- health and well-being
- rural regeneration
- amenities for community use
- education and training
- employment
- social welfare

What's it NOT for?

- Services or facilities already funded by the local authority or other public body
- Political activities
- Projects that don't benefit local people
- Charities not located in the area
- Projects on land without public access
- Sponsorship
- Projects that have already taken place
- Public bodies carrying out their statutory or legal duties

Purpose and remit of the Kype Muir Community Benefit Fund (continued)

Who's it for?

- Local charities
- Social enterprises
- Community groups
 - ⇒ Playgroups
 - ⇒ Youth clubs
 - ⇒ Sports clubs/ facilities
 - ⇒ Community Council projects
- Small businesses
- Environmental projects
- Voluntary organisations
 - ⇒ Village halls
 - ⇒ Church halls
 - ⇒ Scouts
 - ⇒ Guides
 - ⇒ Senior citizens clubs/ activities

Proposed Action Plan themes

In order to give focus and structure to the Action Plan, the Community Council are suggesting 5 themes for the plan. We would like to know how you feel about these themes and whether you have any suggestions of projects under each theme.

Environment

Improving our physical environment with projects such as improving pathways, riverbanks, etc, or reducing our impact on the environment with energy saving or green initiatives. Examples of these could be home energy projects, community electric cars or bikes.

It would be great to hear your suggestions of projects under the ENVIRONMENT theme.

Transport & Access

Transport is a key issue for any rural community, particularly with the lack of public transport we have access to. We may want to look at projects that help improve transport, e.g. community bus.

It would be great to hear your suggestions of projects under the TRANSPORT & ACCESS theme.

Proposed Action Plan themes (continued)

Legacy & Heritage

This is a 25 year plan and as such we should be including projects that support future generations and help build communities for the future.

It would be great to hear your suggestions of projects under the LEGACY & HERITAGE theme.

Enterprise

Support small businesses within the community through initiatives to improve communication (eg: mobile reception, broadband, etc.) or nurture local talent.

It would be great to hear your suggestions of projects under the ENTERPRISE theme.

Enhancing Communities

This could be supporting existing community groups or helping facilitate future community groups and projects (eg: providing or improving playparks, village halls, etc.).

It would be great to hear your suggestions of projects under the ENHANCING COMMUNITIES theme.

Community Action Plan Priorities

We are also keen to find out how you think the proposed Action Plan themes should be prioritised. If you believe there is an alternative theme that should be included, please also specify it below.

How would you like to see expenditure of the Community Benefit Fund be prioritised?

<i>Please tick (✓) one box only for each theme</i>	Urgent priority	Medium-term priority	Long-term priority	I do not agree that this theme should be a priority
Environment	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Transport & Access	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Legacy & Heritage	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Enterprise	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Enhancing Communities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Alternative theme (<i>please specify below</i>)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

(Proposed alternative theme)

Please rank the proposed Action Plan themes 1-5 in order of importance (1 = MOST important, 5 = LEAST important).

	Environment
	Transport & Access
	Legacy & Heritage
	Enterprise
	Enhancing Communities

Also, if you have any thoughts on projects that would not be covered by one of the themes outlined, please let us know:

About you

We are keen to ensure that a range of demographic groups are represented in this survey. It would therefore be most helpful if you could provide the following information:

Please tell us where you live:	Sandford <input type="checkbox"/>	Upper Avondale <input type="checkbox"/>	Neither <input type="checkbox"/>
Please tell us your age range:	Under 16 <input type="checkbox"/>	30-44 <input type="checkbox"/>	60-74 <input type="checkbox"/>
	16-29 <input type="checkbox"/>	45-59 <input type="checkbox"/>	75+ <input type="checkbox"/>
Please tell us your gender:	Male <input type="checkbox"/>	Female <input type="checkbox"/>	

If you would like to receive updates about the Community Fund, please provide your name and contact details below:

Name.....

Address.....

..... Postcode.....

Email.....

Completed questionnaires can be handed in at the drop-in events or returned **BY 16th FEBRUARY 2019** to:

Facilitating Change (UK) Ltd, FREEPOST RSTS-TAAY-CLLU, PO Box 15047, DUNBLANE, FK15 9YB (No stamp required)

If you require additional information please visit www.suacc.com, telephone 01786 820 111 or email victoria@fchange.com

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