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Rannoch Community Hub

£1.5m fundraising target reached

Looking back over the year 2022-23 there has been good progress on the Community Hub. Having moved through the challenges of the asset purchase, the planning process, and the financial impact of the pandemic, we are now making some real and visible progress with the builders on site carrying out the down takings and stripping out of the old outdoor centre ready for the complete refurbishment and conversion to the Hub. I hope some of you got a flavour of what's to come with the Rannoch Hub bar operating at the 2023 Rannoch Games!

Fundraising success!

A massive fundraising effort led by Gwen Joubert, our fundraising project officer, has triumphantly got us to the £1.5m needed to complete the essentials of the building development. My heartfelt thanks must go to Gwen and my colleague Board members for the hours of form filling and diligence in finding the avenues of funding. A full list of funders and the appropriate thanks will follow with the completion of the project. We are currently reviewing the timelines and schedules with the construction to drive the project through to completion sometime late summer 2024

Councillor Mike Williamson SNP visited the Hub on the 27th November to meet the representatives of RCT (see below) and look at progress made to date. He was impressed with the project and what has been achieved and offered his support which will be helpful when applying for any further funding.



A **G** **M**
Annual General Meeting

7.00pm 19th December 2023

Kinloch Rannoch Village Hall

Please come along to the AGM on 19th December at 7pm, Kinloch Rannoch Village Hall. We will be available to answer any questions or concerns you may have about any of the projects we are undertaking and to discuss any new ideas you might have that may help enhance our community.

Funding – more good news!

We are delighted to let you know that we have secured funding from the Rural Perth and Kinross Community Led Local Development (CLLD) fund for both the Rannoch Community-led Care Project and the Affordable Housing Project. See below for more information.

Rannoch Community-Led Care Project

The need for this project

There is a pressing need in rural areas to provide equal access to care at home services for older and vulnerable people. Care service delivery models designed for more densely populated areas and based on purely market forces do not work where there is, as currently, insufficient resource in the system. People living in remote areas such as Kinloch Rannoch do not have equal access to the options which should be available to all. Demographic trends mean the situation will deteriorate further unless addressed. This situation was understood locally back in 2016 when the Trust held community consultation and produced the Rannoch Sustainable Development Plan, and it is well understood by the Perth & Kinross Health and Social Care Partnership (HSCP) which is itself working towards designing innovative ways of meeting rural care needs.

What the project will achieve

The project aims to gain an in-depth understanding of, and develop agreed solutions to, the challenges of providing care and support to people in and around Kinloch Rannoch. The work will be led through partnership working between Rannoch Community Trust, SKS Scotland CIC (a consultancy with expertise in this area) and the Perth and Kinross Health and Social Care Partnership. The project is funded through the Perth & Kinross CLLD programme, and will run from January to September 2024. By the end of it, we expect to have a fully developed and costed plan for the next steps of a solution, with the agreement and commitment of the Health and Social Care Partnership.

The knowledge, views and commitment of people who live in this area will be key to whatever will be possible to develop for the future and there will be many opportunities to meet and talk to the team of consultants who will be working with us. More to follow in the New Year.

For more information about this development, please get in touch with Lara lara08@gmx.com 079586 80853.

Affordable Housing Project



We were delighted with the level of interest in the community consultation in May and the overall positive feedback received. Since then the Project has been making steady progress. A successful application to the CLLD fund means that an updated flood risk study has been commissioned and a planning in principle application is currently underway. If successful this will lead to the preparation of a full planning application, including a more detailed design, starting sometime next year. We will keep you informed of progress and hope to have community input into the design once (and if) we get to that stage.

A project of this scale and ambition is a slow burn but we very much hope that the progress made over the past year will come to fruition and that the project can be a major achievement for the community in time.

If you have any questions about any of our projects or want to get involved, please mail Projects@ourrannoch.co.uk



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