

Strathglass Community Fund



APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP OF THE STRATHGLASS COMMUNITY FUND

Name:	
Address:	
Postcode:	
Telephone:	
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I hereby apply to become a member of the Strathglass Community Fund (SCF), a Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation (SCIO), and confirm that I am at least 16 years old and live within the Strathglass Community Council area. I understand that the board of trustees of SCF have the discretion to accept or refuse any application.

I also understand that as a member of SCF, a SCIO, I am subject to some of the general duties of charity trustees; specifically, I must:

- act in the interests of SCF, and
- seek, in good faith, to ensure SCF acts in a manner which is consistent with its charitable purposes.

Signed:	
Date:	

Please return your application form to Strathglass Community Fund at the address below.

Strathglass Community Fund (SCIO)

Registered with the Office of the Scottish Regulator: Charity No. SC044964
Registered Office: Muirdale, Cannich, Beauly, Inverness-shire, IV4 7LN

Becoming a member of the Strathglass Community Fund (SCF)

What does it mean?

- All members are subject to some of the general duties of charity trustees; specifically members must:
 - act in the interests of SCF, and
 - seek, in good faith, to ensure SCF acts in a manner which is consistent with its charitable purposes.

The Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator (OSCR) recognises that members may not be in the day to day management and control of the administration of SCF. Therefore, in practice, when exercising powers such as considering changes to the constitution or taking part in elections of charity trustees, the members must act in the interests of SCF and seek to ensure that SCF continues to operate in line with its charitable purposes.

- Members can attend and vote at Annual General Meetings (AGMs). Attending such meetings will provide you with an oversight of the charity's operations and will be an opportunity for you, along with other members, to elect charity trustees, scrutinise accounts and vote on particular matters.

It does not mean that:

- You are required to commit any money
- You are making yourself liable for SCF's debts

Who can become a member?

- Anyone 16 or over living in the Strathglass Community Council area

Who cannot become a member?

- Employees of SCF are not eligible for membership.

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What is the Strathglass Community Fund?

Strathglass Community Fund (SCF) is a Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation (SCIO) set up to receive the community benefit from local hydro power schemes, particularly the Green Highland Renewables (GHR) hydro projects in Glen Affric and Glen Cannich.

Why does SCF exist?

When GHR first contacted the Strathglass community, 6 community groups in the area expressed an interest in being involved. SCF was created from all 6 groups, each supplying members for the initial committee.

Which hydro schemes give community benefit?

The two hydro schemes in Glen Cannich, in the Liatric burn and Alt Mullardoch, gave a total generation royalty sum of £2109 in 2019-2020. The two schemes in Glen Affric, Abhainn Gleann nam Fiadh and in Allt Garbh, gave a total community royalty payment of £17,783 in 2020. The amount varies each year in line with the RPI. In addition, SCF will receive a company performance royalty equivalent to a five per cent equity share capital in the two Glen Affric hydro projects, as and when this becomes available.

When were the hydro schemes commissioned and when does funding become available?

Community benefit is paid annually in arrears from the grid connection date for each scheme. The Glen Cannich schemes were commissioned in November 2016 and the Glen Affric schemes in July 2017. Glen Cannich payments are received in December/January and Glen Affric scheme payments in August/September.

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What is the governance of SCF?

There is a board of trustees. The trustees must act in the best interest of SCF and are appointed annually at the AGM.

What are the charitable objectives of SCF?

- Protection and enhancement of the natural, cultural and built heritage of the Strathglass Community Council geographic area (hereinafter referred to as 'the Area') and promotion and interpretation of the Area's heritage to people living in, working in, or visiting the Area
- The advancement of education in the Area
- The relief of those in need in the Area, by reason of age, ill-health, disability, financial hardship or other disadvantage
- The advancement of citizenship and community development in the Area
- The advancement of environmental protection or improvement in the Area
- The advancement of public participation in sport in the Area
- The provision of recreational facilities and the organisation of recreational activities to improve the conditions of life for everyone in the Area.

SCF aims to support people of all ages to stay in the community.

For more information please email: scfdipper@gmail.com or write to the secretary: Muirdale, Cannich, Beauly, Inverness-Shire, IV4 7LN.