

# Fetlar Community Council

## Funds for F£tlar!



### What is Funds for F£tlar! - Participatory Budgeting Project?

Fetlar Community Council (FCC) has been successful in securing funds to deliver a Participatory Budgeting Project (PB). This allows FCC to hand over £6k to the community and lets you vote on projects which you feel are worth funding.

We are encouraging new or existing local groups to put forward proposals for projects that will benefit the isle. Following our e-mail in mid Dec, we thought it would be useful to let you all know further details in advance of the event to allow for any new ideas or projects to be developed further. Frances Browne, Community Involvement & Development Officer, has kindly offered to assist in setting up a constitution for any new groups with new projects or ideas. Her email address is [frances.browne@shetland.gov.uk](mailto:frances.browne@shetland.gov.uk) or she can be contacted by phone on 01595 745717.

### Guidelines

- Applications must be from a Fetlar group or organisation
- Applications should be for £1,000 or less
- All groups must have a constitution and bank account
- Projects must take place in Fetlar, be beneficial to the majority of the community, younger people and promote community sustainability and viability
- Your group/organisation will have to support and present your project at a voting event to be held in the Fetlar Hall on Saturday, 25<sup>th</sup> March 2017 (your application will not be considered unless you can attend the event)
- Funding must be used for the agreed purpose set out in the application and any unused funds must be returned
- Projects awarded funding will be monitored and evaluated by Fetlar Community Council in conjunction with the applicant
- Funding must be spent by 31<sup>st</sup> March 2018

# Timetable

## Open Evening

Members of Fetlar Community Council would like to explain more about the project, the process and how the public gets to decide who benefits. We would like to invite Fetlar residents to a Participatory Budgeting Open Evening in the Fetlar Hall from **7.30pm to 9.00pm on Friday, 17<sup>th</sup> February.**

*Please come along to find out more and pick up an application form.*

## Application period

Following the Open Evening, applications will remain open until Monday, 6<sup>th</sup> March 2017. No applications can be considered after this date.

## Groups Contacted

Fetlar Community Council will check each application form and will contact all the applicants by the 10<sup>th</sup> March 2017 to let them know if they have met the grant criteria and invite them to take part in the Voting Event.

## Voting Event

The project will culminate in a short presentation by each group and voting event to be held in the Fetlar Hall from **6.30pm to 9.30pm on Saturday, 25<sup>th</sup> March 2017.**

Groups will be allocated a stall at which they can pitch their project, explain the merits and answer questions from residents. Voting will commence at 7.00pm and end at 7.45pm; all the people who attend the event will get a voting sheet and be able to rank the projects they would like to see funded. Votes will be scrutinised, counted and totalled and the results known on the evening.

*If you are over 11 years of age and a Fetlar resident you will be eligible to vote, children taking part in presentations or voting must have permission from their parents/guardians.*

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***Many thanks also to the Fetlar school bairns for designing wir logo!***