



Dear All

General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR). You may already be aware of the GDPR which comes into effect in May 2018. Many of the principles are the same as the existing Data Protection Act, but there are a few new responsibilities community groups should probably know about! KDP is planning to run some information sessions in late April and early May, and we are also happy to consider one-to-one support. At this stage, we would appreciate an indication of how many of you would find workshops useful, or if you would prefer a different format. We will organise the events based on the feedback we receive from you, so please email lesleykdp@gmail.com as soon as possible.

St John's Hill Windfarm Community Fund. This fund is now open to applications from community and not-for-profit groups in the Arbuthnott and Catterline, Kinneff & Dunnottar Community Council areas. Applications are open until Friday 30th March. Please contact lesleykdp@gmail.com before submitting an application - we are always delighted to provide advice and support!

Local organisations invited to apply to be a Co-op local cause. The Co-op Local Community Fund gives money to local causes, helping to bring people together and make a difference. To apply to be a Co-op cause you must have a project or event in mind that meets the Co-op's values, takes place or will still be running after October 2019 and benefits your local community. They give preference to projects run by small, local organisations that make a real difference to people in their community. Deadline: 8th April <https://causes.coop.co.uk/>

Stafford Trust. The Stafford Trust supports general charitable projects in the UK. Though registered charities are eligible to apply, the Trust has a preference for organisations based in Scotland. Grants of between £50 and £5,000 are available. The Trustees usually meet twice per annum, in Spring and Autumn, to consider applications. The deadline for new applications for the Autumn 2018 meeting will close on 30th June 2018. For more information and an application form, visit: <http://www.staffordtrust.org.uk/>

Scotch Whisky Action Fund Now Open. The Fund is looking to support and develop a range of projects/initiatives which will deliver targeted interventions designed to tackle alcohol-related harms across three themes: Young People; Families; Communities. Awards of up to £25,000 for a one year period are available and this year's closing date is 29 June. Visit <https://www.foundationscotland.org.uk/programmes/scotch-whisky-action-fund/> for more information.

The North East of Scotland Fisheries Local Action Group (NESFLAG) aims to support the sustainable development of coastal communities located in Angus and North & South Aberdeenshire. Fisheries funding will be targeted on coastal settlements with demonstrable associations with the fisheries sector and projects which align with the priorities of each area's Local Development Strategy and European Maritime Fisheries Fund (EMFF) objectives. The eligible priorities for North Aberdeenshire and South Aberdeenshire are: adding value and promoting innovation at all stages of the fisheries and seafood supply chain; creating jobs, attracting young people, encouraging lifelong learning and facilitating training in fisheries areas; supporting diversification inside or outside commercial fisheries; enhancing and capitalising on the environmental assets of the fisheries areas; promoting social well-being, cultural heritage and community development in fisheries areas. The first stage in the application process is to submit an Expression of

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Interest form to the NESFLAG Co-ordinator at nesflag@aberdeenshire.gov.uk, or visit <http://nesflag.org.uk/> for further information.

With very best wishes,

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