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**HERMIA COMMUNITY ENERGY C.I.C**

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**UNAUDITED**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

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**FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021**

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**HERMIA COMMUNITY ENERGY C.I.C**  
**REGISTERED NUMBER: 09639199**

**BALANCE SHEET**  
**AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2021**

	Note	2021 £	2020 as restated £
<b>Fixed assets</b>			
Tangible assets	4	928,462	990,288
Investments	5	1,128,389	1,128,389
		<u>2,056,851</u>	<u>2,118,677</u>
<b>Current assets</b>			
Debtors: amounts falling due after more than one year	6	5,949,686	5,440,206
Debtors: amounts falling due within one year	6	591,271	353,349
Cash at bank and in hand	7	35,790	8,013
		<u>6,576,747</u>	<u>5,801,568</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	8	(1,874,337)	(840,182)
<b>Net current assets</b>		<u>4,702,410</u>	<u>4,961,386</u>
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>		<u>6,759,261</u>	<u>7,080,063</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	9	(7,545,961)	(7,641,557)
<b>Net liabilities</b>		<u>(786,700)</u>	<u>(561,494)</u>
<b>Capital and reserves</b>			
Called up share capital		10	10
Profit and loss account		(786,710)	(561,504)
		<u>(786,700)</u>	<u>(561,494)</u>

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**BALANCE SHEET (CONTINUED)**  
**AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2021**

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The directors consider that the Company is entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 and members have not required the Company to obtain an audit for the period in question in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and the preparation of financial statements.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime and in accordance with the provisions of FRS 102 Section 1A - small entities.

The financial statements have been delivered in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

The Company has opted not to file the profit and loss account in accordance with provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime.

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the board and were signed on its behalf on 2 November 2022.

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**J Waxman**  
Director

The notes on pages 3 to 9 form part of these financial statements.

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
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**1. General information**

Hermia Community Energy C.I.C. is a company limited by shares incorporated in England and Wales. The company's registered office is 34 Norrice Lea, London, England N2 0RE. The company's main activity is the operation of a wind turbine.

**2. Accounting policies**

**2.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements**

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention unless otherwise specified within these accounting policies and in accordance with Section 1A of Financial Reporting Standard 102, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland and the Companies Act 2006.

The financial statements are presented in sterling which is the functional currency of the company and rounded to the nearest £.

The following principal accounting policies have been applied:

**2.2 Going concern**

On the basis of their assessment of the company's financial position, the company's directors have a reasonable expectation that the company will be able to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. They continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the annual financial statements.

**2.3 Foreign currency translation**

**Functional and presentation currency**

The Company's functional and presentational currency is GBP.

**Transactions and balances**

Foreign currency transactions are translated into the functional currency using the spot exchange rates at the dates of the transactions.

At each period end foreign currency monetary items are translated using the closing rate. Non-monetary items measured at historical cost are translated using the exchange rate at the date of the transaction and non-monetary items measured at fair value are measured using the exchange rate when fair value was determined.

Foreign exchange gains and losses resulting from the settlement of transactions and from the translation at period-end exchange rates of monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are recognised in profit or loss except when deferred in other comprehensive income as qualifying cash flow hedges.

Foreign exchange gains and losses that relate to borrowings and cash and cash equivalents are presented in the Profit and Loss Account within 'finance income or costs'. All other foreign exchange gains and losses are presented in profit or loss within 'other operating income'.

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**2. Accounting policies (continued)**

**2.4 Revenue**

Revenue is recognised to the extent that it is probable that the economic benefits will flow to the Company and the revenue can be reliably measured. Revenue is measured as the fair value of the consideration received or receivable, excluding discounts, rebates, value added tax and other sales taxes. The following criteria must also be met before revenue is recognised:

**Rendering of services**

Revenue from a contract to provide services is recognised in the period in which the services are provided in accordance with the stage of completion of the contract when all of the following conditions are satisfied:

- the amount of revenue can be measured reliably;
- it is probable that the Company will receive the consideration due under the contract;
- the stage of completion of the contract at the end of the reporting period can be measured reliably; and
- the costs incurred and the costs to complete the contract can be measured reliably.

**2.5 Interest income**

Interest income is recognised in profit or loss using the effective interest method.

**2.6 Finance costs**

Finance costs are charged to profit or loss over the term of the debt using the effective interest method so that the amount charged is at a constant rate on the carrying amount. Issue costs are initially recognised as a reduction in the proceeds of the associated capital instrument.

**2.7 Borrowing costs**

All borrowing costs are recognised in profit or loss in the period in which they are incurred.

**2.8 Tangible fixed assets**

Tangible fixed assets under the cost model are stated at historical cost less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses. Historical cost includes expenditure that is directly attributable to bringing the asset to the location and condition necessary for it to be capable of operating in the manner intended by management.

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**2. Accounting policies (continued)****2.8 Tangible fixed assets (continued)**

Depreciation is charged so as to allocate the cost of assets less their residual value over their estimated useful lives, using the straight-line method.

Depreciation is provided on the following basis:

Wind turbine	- 20 years straight line
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The assets' residual values, useful lives and depreciation methods are reviewed, and adjusted prospectively if appropriate, or if there is an indication of a significant change since the last reporting date.

Gains and losses on disposals are determined by comparing the proceeds with the carrying amount and are recognised in profit or loss.

**2.9 Valuation of investments**

Investments in subsidiaries are measured at cost less accumulated impairment.

Investments in unlisted Company shares, whose market value can be reliably determined, are remeasured to market value at each balance sheet date. Gains and losses on remeasurement are recognised in the Profit and Loss Account for the period. Where market value cannot be reliably determined, such investments are stated at historic cost less impairment.

**2.10 Debtors**

Short-term debtors are measured at transaction price, less any impairment. Loans receivable are measured initially at fair value, net of transaction costs, and are measured subsequently at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less any impairment.

**2.11 Cash and cash equivalents**

Cash is represented by cash in hand and deposits with financial institutions repayable without penalty on notice of not more than 24 hours. Cash equivalents are highly liquid investments that mature in no more than three months from the date of acquisition and that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash with insignificant risk of change in value.

**2.12 Creditors**

Short-term creditors are measured at the transaction price. Other financial liabilities, including bank loans, are measured initially at fair value, net of transaction costs, and are measured subsequently at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

**2.13 Financial instruments**

The Company only enters into basic financial instrument transactions that result in the recognition of financial assets and liabilities like trade and other debtors and creditors, loans from banks and other third parties, loans to related parties and investments in ordinary shares.

Derivatives, including interest rate swaps and forward foreign exchange contracts, are not basic financial instruments. Derivatives are initially recognised at fair value on the date a derivative contract is entered into and are subsequently re-measured at their fair value. Changes in the fair

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**2. Accounting policies (continued)**
**2.13 Financial instruments (continued)**

value of derivatives are recognised in profit or loss in finance costs or income as appropriate. The company does not currently apply hedge accounting for interest rate and foreign exchange derivatives.

**3. Employees**

The average monthly number of employees, including directors, during the period was 1 (2020 - 1).

**4. Tangible fixed assets**

	Wind Turbine £
<b>Cost or valuation</b>	
At 1 January 2021	990,288
At 31 December 2021	<u>990,288</u>
<b>Depreciation</b>	
Charge for the period on owned assets	<u>61,826</u>
At 31 December 2021	<u>61,826</u>
<b>Net book value</b>	
At 31 December 2021	<u><u>928,462</u></u>
At 31 December 2020	<u><u>990,288</u></u>

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**5. Fixed asset investments**

	Investments in subsidiary companies £
<b>Cost or valuation</b>	
At 1 January 2021	1,128,389
At 31 December 2021	<u>1,128,389</u>

**6. Debtors**

	2021 £	2020 £
<b>Due after more than one year</b>		
Due from participating interests	5,949,686	5,440,206
	<u>5,949,686</u>	<u>5,440,206</u>
<b>Due within one year</b>		
Trade debtors	26	26
Prepayments and accrued income	591,245	353,323
	<u>591,271</u>	<u>353,349</u>

**7. Cash and cash equivalents**

	2021 £	2020 £
Cash at bank and in hand	35,790	8,013
	<u>35,790</u>	<u>8,013</u>



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**8. Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year**

	<b>2021</b>	<i>2020 as</i>
	<b>£</b>	<i>restated</i>
		<b>£</b>
Other loans	<b>246,335</b>	66,750
Trade creditors	<b>6,161</b>	1,732
Other creditors	<b>3,328</b>	1,884
Accruals and deferred income	<b>1,618,513</b>	769,816
	<u><b>1,874,337</b></u>	<u>840,182</u>

**9. Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year**

	<b>2021</b>	<i>2020</i>
	<b>£</b>	<i>£</i>
Other loans	<b>7,545,961</b>	7,641,557
	<u><b>7,545,961</b></u>	<u>7,641,557</u>

The other loans are loans from individuals to the C.I.C on which interest is accruing at 7.5% & 4% per annum. There is £ 1,485,763 of accrued interest included within accruals and deferred income less than one year.

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**10. Loans**

Analysis of the maturity of loans is given below:

	<b>2021</b> £	<b>2020</b> £
<b>Amounts falling due within one year</b>		
Other loans	<b>246,335</b>	66,750
	<b>246,335</b>	66,750
<b>Amounts falling due 1-2 years</b>		
Other loans	<b>246,335</b>	246,335
	<b>246,335</b>	246,335
<b>Amounts falling due 2-5 years</b>		
Other loans	<b>739,005</b>	739,005
	<b>739,005</b>	739,005
<b>Amounts falling due after more than 5 years</b>		
Other loans	<b>6,560,621</b>	6,656,217
	<b>6,560,621</b>	6,656,217
	<b>7,792,296</b>	7,708,307

**11. Community Benefit Donation**

During the year, the C.I.C made community benefit payments of £0 (2020: £7,00). A further £28,000 (2020: £23,000) has been pledged to a number of different charities. These have been paid in September and October 2022 along with previously pledged but unpaid amounts.

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## Community Interest Company Report

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**Company Name in  
full**

Hermia Community Energy C.I.C.

**Company Number**

09639199

**Year Ending**

31<sup>st</sup> December 2021

This template illustrates what the Regulator of Community Interest Companies considers to be best practice for completing a simplified community interest company report. All such reports must be delivered in accordance with section 34 of the Companies (Audit, Investigations and Community Enterprise) Act 2004 and contain the information required by Part 7 of the Community Interest Company Regulations 2005. For further guidance see chapter 8 of the Regulator's guidance notes and the alternate example provided for a more complex company with more detailed notes.

**(N.B. A Filing Fee of £15 is payable on this document. Please enclose a cheque or postal order payable to Companies House)**

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## **PART 1 - GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF THE COMPANY'S ACTIVITIES AND IMPACT**

In the space provided below, please insert a general account of the company's activities in the financial year to which the report relates, including a description of how they have benefited the community.

Hermia Community Energy owns two wind farms

### **1. Priestsides Wind Turbine – 0.5MW Inverclyde**

At the end of 2016 our 500kW wind turbine was completed on time and on budget and started exporting electricity into the national grid. Electricity production during 2021 was 1,233,000 kwhr. This was 22% lower than 2020 and 17% below what we would regard as an average year and below the range expected from the site; the windiness does vary from year to year. At the time of writing (late October 2022) the production for 2022 is back at close to normal levels. Our Enercon E44 turbine has performed extremely well, with technical availability of 99.4%

### **2. Pogbie Wind Farm – 9.6MW East Lothian**

At the end of 2018, we acquired Pogbie Holding Limited, the owner of two co-located 4.8MW wind farms at Pogbie Farm in East Lothian (through its subsidiaries MP1 Ltd and PB Community Energy CIC). During 2021, the wind farms generated a total of 18,220,000 kwh. This is 25% below the production for 2020 and 22% below what we would expect in an average year. At the time of writing (late October 2022) the energy generation for 2022 is back at close to normal levels.

The wind farms each consist of 6 Enercon E-53 800kW turbines and these have performed well with technical availability of around 98.7% for the year.

All our turbines are maintained under fully warranted agreements with the manufacturer (the agreement is for 15 years) and are insured through Bruce Stevenson Risk Management.

The total clean zero carbon exported to the grid therefore during 2021 was 19,450,000 kwh – enough to power 6,700 average UK homes. Had this been generated by gas power plants, it would have generated 7,400 tonnes of carbon dioxide emissions (380g/kwh). As it is, no carbon dioxide at all was emitted by the operation of our turbines. In a typical year we expect to generate 25,000,000 kwh and the gas displaced will be even greater. And this is our main impact as a company.

With the additional cash constraints under which we have been operating during 2019-2020 (construction of Pogie with large cost overruns and then COVID) and the requirement to service the new debt we have assumed, we had to reduce our community payments in the short term. We have however managed to meet all our obligations in respect of rent payments to landowners, debt service to lenders (although some payments had to be deferred, which was done with the agreement of the lenders) and all other operating expenditure.

But more positively, in respect of 2021 we have been in a position to resume our community benefit payments as set out in our Community Engagement Report attached and as set out below.

*(If applicable, please just state "A social audit report covering these points is attached").*

*(Please continue on separate continuation sheet if necessary.)*

**PART 2 – CONSULTATION WITH STAKEHOLDERS** – Please indicate who the company's stakeholders are; how the stakeholders have been consulted and what action, if any, has the company taken in response to feedback from its consultations? If there has been no consultation, this should be made clear.

The general objectives of Hermia as follows:

- (i) support for those suffering from fuel poverty in Scotland
- (ii) research into energy technology
- (iii) research into malignant, neurological and wasting diseases,
- (iv) support for those suffering from such diseases
- (v) the deployment of renewable energy in Africa and
- (vi) support for the elderly, disabled and poor of the UK

We have been consulting with Fuel Bank Foundation (in conjunction with ChangeWorks) to find a route to supporting those in fuel poverty in the areas around our wind farms. We have given our largest grant to date to FBF in a partnership to work on this important area.

We have consulted with our landowners and local residents on some of the organisations to which we have made grants this year (MS Society, Gourrock Coal Fund, Oxton CDL and Ardgowan Hospice).

*(If applicable, please just state "A social audit report covering these points is attached").*

**PART 3 – DIRECTORS' REMUNERATION** – if you have provided full details in your accounts you need not reproduce it here. Please clearly identify the information within the accounts and confirm that, "There were no other transactions or arrangements in connection with the remuneration of directors, or compensation for director's loss of office, which require to be disclosed" (See example with full notes). If no remuneration was received you must state that "no remuneration was received" below.

No remuneration was paid to directors in the period during 2021.

**PART 4 – TRANSFERS OF ASSETS OTHER THAN FOR FULL CONSIDERATION** – Please insert full details of any transfers of assets other than for full consideration e.g. Donations to outside bodies. If this does not apply you must state that “no transfer of assets other than for full consideration has been made” below.

Hermia paid £77,000 in community benefits in respect of 2021. The benefits paid are as follows (all the recipients are registered charities):

Charity	Amount	Website
Age Scotland	£6,000	<a href="http://www.agescotland.org.uk">www.agescotland.org.uk</a>
Ardgowan Hospice	£5,000	<a href="http://www.ardgowanhospice.org.uk">www.ardgowanhospice.org.uk</a>
Breast Cancer Now	£6,000	<a href="http://www.breastcancernow.org">www.breastcancernow.org</a>
British Heart Foundation (Miles Frost Fund)	£3,000	<a href="http://www.bhf.org.uk/miles-frost-fund">www.bhf.org.uk/miles-frost-fund</a>
Child Brain Injury Trust	£3,000	<a href="http://www.childbraininjurytrust.org.uk">www.childbraininjurytrust.org.uk</a>
Crick Institute	£3,000	<a href="http://www.crick.ac.uk">www.crick.ac.uk</a>
Fuel Bank Foundation	£25,000	<a href="http://www.fuelbankfoundation.org">www.fuelbankfoundation.org</a>
Gourock Coal Fund	£3,000	
Jewish Care Scotland	£5,000	<a href="http://www.jcarescot.org.uk">www.jcarescot.org.uk</a>
MS Society Scotland	£5,000	<a href="http://www.mssociety.org.uk">www.mssociety.org.uk</a>
Oxton Community Development Council	£6,000	<a href="http://www.oxtonshop.co.uk">www.oxtonshop.co.uk</a> <a href="http://www.channelkirkprimaryschool.co.uk">www.channelkirkprimaryschool.co.uk</a>
RSABI	£7,000	<a href="http://www.rsabi.org.uk">www.rsabi.org.uk</a>
<b>Total</b>	<b>£77,000</b>	

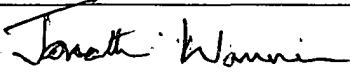
No dividends or performance related interest payments were made by Hermia.

*(Please continue on separate continuation sheet if necessary.)*

## PART 5 – SIGNATORY

The original report must be signed by a director or secretary of the company

Signed



Date

26<sup>th</sup> October  
2022

Jonathan Waxman

Director

You do not have to give any contact information in the box opposite but if you do, it will help the Registrar of Companies to contact you if there is a query on the form. The contact information that you give will be visible to searchers of the public record.

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DX Number	DX Exchange

**When you have completed and signed the form, please attach it to the accounts and send both forms by post to the Registrar of Companies at:**

*For companies registered in England and Wales:* Companies House, Crown Way, Cardiff, CF14 3UZ  
DX 33050 Cardiff

*For companies registered in Scotland:* Companies House, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, Edinburgh Quay 2, 139  
Fountainbridge, Edinburgh, EH3 9FF DX 235 Edinburgh or LP – 4 Edinburgh 2

*For companies registered in Northern Ireland:* Companies House, 2nd Floor, The Linenhall, 32-38  
Linenhall Street, Belfast, BT2 8BG

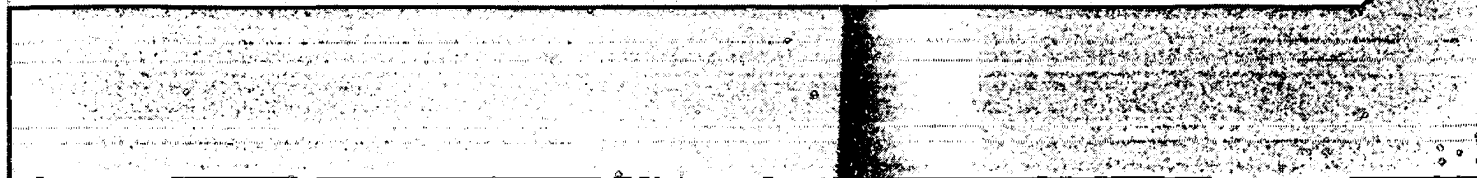
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**(N.B. Please enclose a cheque for £15 payable to Companies House)**





# **Hermia Community Energy CIC Community Engagement Report 2021**

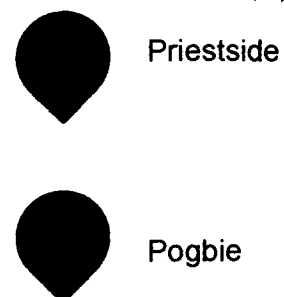
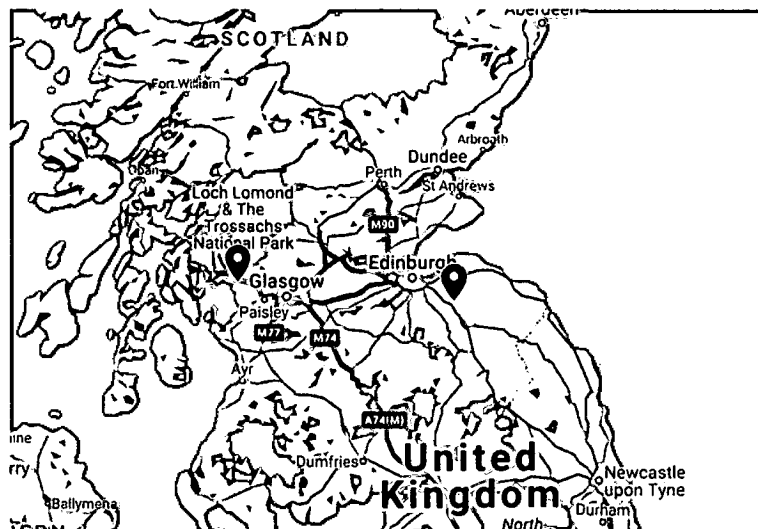


# Operational and Financial Report

Hermia Community Energy CIC completed the construction of its wind turbine at Priestside Farm (located between Kilmacolm and Port Glasgow) in November 2016 and the construction of its Pogbie Wind Farm (Phase 1 completed in September 2018 and Phase 2 completed in March 2019). In 2021, the company generated approximately 19,500,000 kwhr of zero carbon electricity, enough to power more than 6,700 average UK homes.

2021 was a particularly low wind year (the lowest average wind speeds for 60 years). In 2020, we generated 26,000,000 kwhr of zero carbon electricity. In an average wind year, we hope to generate 25,000,000 kWh from our wind farms. As I write this report towards the end of October 2022, we have generated a little under 20,000,000 kwh and are on track for an average sort of year. This is a record of our energy generation during our short existence!

Year	Priestside B	Pogbie I	Pogbie II	Total
2021	1,232,680	9,204,333	9,018,313	19,455,326
2020	1,580,220	12,628,354	11,811,554	26,020,128
2019	1,387,139	11,207,141	7,580,243	20,174,523
2018	1,427,868	4,213,601		5,641,469
2017	1,519,989			1,519,989



The integration of Pogbie wind farm was quite difficult, following our acquisition of that wind farm in summer 2018. We faced a number of unanticipated challenges with both large capital cost overruns on the construction and some technical challenges. Just when we got all that sorted out, the electricity market collapsed as COVID19 lockdowns hit electricity demand. Coming into 2021, we were trying to dust ourselves off from all of these various obstacles and the wind stopped blowing! So it has not been an easy start by any means. On the plus side, we have managed to service our bank lender debt in full and on time and we have ensured that all the wind farms' ongoing financial commitments (rent, insurance, rates, grid connection, transmission and monitoring costs) have been met in full and on time.

During 2019 and 2020, we were doing all we could to keep our heads above water financially and were unable to make the level of community benefit payments that we aspire to over the long term. Thankfully we have managed to bring lender payments up to date and have been in a position to restart community benefit payments in respect of 2021 and are delighted that the benefits of the Pogbie wind farm acquisition are now starting to show through not only in our clean energy generation but also in the financial contribution we are able to make to the community. These are our total payments so far:

<b>Year</b>	<b>Amount</b>
2021	£77,000
2020	£11,000
2019	£7,000
2018	£30,200
2017	£32,580
<b>Total</b>	<b>£157,780</b>

### **These are our objectives as a Community Interest Company**

**Through the generation of renewable energy to fund activities which benefit the community and in particular (without limitation):**

- i. support for those suffering from fuel poverty in Scotland
- ii. research into energy technology
- iii. medical research into malignant, neurological and wasting diseases
- iv. medical support for those suffering from the above diseases
- v. the deployment of renewable energy in Africa
- vi. welfare support for the elderly, disabled and poor of the UK

## Community Payments

The following table sets out the community payments that Hermia made during September 2022 in respect of the financial year 2021.

Charity	Amount	Website
Age Scotland	£6,000	<a href="http://www.agescotland.org.uk">www.agescotland.org.uk</a>
Ardgowan Hospice	£5,000	<a href="http://www.ardgowanhospice.org.uk">www.ardgowanhospice.org.uk</a>
Breast Cancer Now	£6,000	<a href="http://www.breastcancernow.org">www.breastcancernow.org</a>
British Heart Foundation (Miles Frost Fund)	£3,000	<a href="http://www.bhf.org.uk/miles-frost-fund">www.bhf.org.uk/miles-frost-fund</a>
Child Brain Injury Trust	£3,000	<a href="http://www.childbraininjurytrust.org.uk">www.childbraininjurytrust.org.uk</a>
Crick Institute	£3,000	<a href="http://www.crick.ac.uk">www.crick.ac.uk</a>
Fuel Bank Foundation	£25,000	<a href="http://www.fuelbankfoundation.org">www.fuelbankfoundation.org</a>
Gourock Coal Fund	£3,000	
Jewish Care Scotland	£5,000	<a href="http://www.jcarescot.org.uk">www.jcarescot.org.uk</a>
MS Society Scotland	£5,000	<a href="http://www.mssociety.org.uk">www.mssociety.org.uk</a>
Oxton Community Development Council	£6,000	
RSABI	£7,000	<a href="http://www.rsabi.org.uk">www.rsabi.org.uk</a>
<b>Total</b>	<b>£77,000</b>	

All of the recipients of community payments are charities that are registered in Scotland or in England and Wales (other than Oxton community).

This year, £62,000 of our community payments have been directed to Scotland – with £44,000 to support people in the areas around our wind farms. Tackling fuel poverty (£28,000) has been our largest area of support, followed by general welfare support (£24,000), medical research (£13,000) and medical support (£12,000).

## Charity Information

All of the organisations that we have supported have been selected for their excellent work and expertise in their specified area. We know their needs are many and they will use these funds well and we are proud of our association with them. Here follows a brief description of each organisation and more information can be found at the organisations' websites.

### Age Scotland

[www.agescotland.org.uk](http://www.agescotland.org.uk)



The leading charity representing older people in Scotland and supporting their rights and interests, Age Scotland runs a helpline for older people, their families and their carers, and they fund and support over 1000 community member groups for older people Scotland-wide. Advice and information provided by this charity cover a range of topics, from pensions to mental health, and they aim to increase the public profile of dementia. A project Hermia is specifically interested in is the Warm and Well Project, a roadshow offering advice on how to stay warm and save money during the winter months.

### Ardgowan Hospice

[www.ardgowanhospice.org.uk](http://www.ardgowanhospice.org.uk)



Ardgowan Hospice is a compassionate place of care for people living in Inverclyde who have been diagnosed with a life limiting illness, such as cancer, heart failure, lung disease, kidney failure or neurological conditions. Making patients, families and carers feel at ease is one of their primary concerns. They provide not only physical and medical support, but also important practical, emotional and social support to patients diagnosed with a life limiting illness and their families and carers, passionate about making every moment matter and improving quality of life.

Ardgowan hospice serves the communities around our Priestsideside wind farm.

## Breast Cancer Now

[www.breastcancernow.org](http://www.breastcancernow.org)



Breast Cancer Now is the UK's largest breast cancer charity, created by the merger of Breast Cancer Campaign and Breakthrough Breast Cancer. Breast cancer, a name for cancers that start in the breast, is the most common cancer in the UK. Over 50,000 women are diagnosed with breast cancer each year in the UK, including around 4,600 in Scotland. Thanks to research, more people are surviving breast cancer than ever before, yet there are still nearly 1,000 women who die of breast cancer every month in the UK. It's their ambition that by 2050 everyone who develops breast cancer will live.

## BHF (Miles Frost Fund)

[www.bhf.org.uk/miles-frost-fund](http://www.bhf.org.uk/miles-frost-fund)

## Miles Frost fund

Beat heartbreak from inherited heart diseases

Miles Frost died suddenly of hypertrophic cardiomyopathy (HCM) in 2015, just 31 years old. In Miles' memory, the Frost family have set up the Miles Frost Fund to raise money for the BHF to stop more people going through the pain of losing a loved one to deadly heart conditions like HCM. The Fund will help ensure that genetic testing for family members of those affected by HCM is available nationwide. This will mean more people are diagnosed with the deadly condition so it can be treated before it's too late. So far, the fund has raised over £1,000,000 and the first patients have been seen by a Miles Frost Fund cardiac genetic nurse in Belfast.

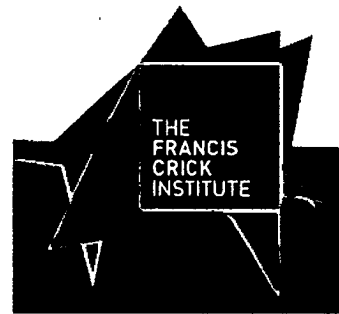
## Child Brain Injury Trust

[www.childbraininjurytrust.org.uk](http://www.childbraininjurytrust.org.uk)



Every 30 minutes, a child or young person will acquire a brain injury. This could be the result of an accident, a poisoning, a stroke or a brain tumour. A brain injury has a devastating and life-long impact on the child and their whole family. Bones can mend and scars can heal but a brain injury stays with you for life and impacts on everything you feel, think and do. The CBIT supports children, their families and professionals and helps them come to terms with what has happened and how to deal with the uncertainty that the future may hold. It is a leading voluntary sector organisation providing non-medical services to families affected by childhood acquired brain injury across the UK.

CBIT continues to provide support in Scotland; in Glasgow and Edinburgh it is in person and we provide remote support to other regions. We have just launched our new CBIT In Hand app in the Royal Aberdeen Children's Hospital, to help families and professionals with immediate access to information if and when they find themselves needing it.



## **The Francis Crick Institute**

[www.crick.ac.uk](http://www.crick.ac.uk)

The Crick's mission is discovery without boundaries. We don't limit the direction our research takes. We want to understand more about how living things work to help improve treatment, diagnosis and prevention of human disease, and generate economic opportunities for the UK.

In our institute more than 2,000 staff and students use their wide-ranging knowledge and expertise to work across disciplines and explore biology at all levels, from molecules through cells to entire organisms.

The Crick is the outcome of a merger between the MRC's National Institute for Medical Research (NIMR) and CRUK's London Research Institute (LRI). The new institute was named after the UK scientist Francis Crick in recognition of his contributions to understanding the genetic code, the key to understanding how living things work.

We were established by our six founding partner organisations: the Medical Research Council (MRC), Cancer Research UK (CRUK), Wellcome, UCL (University College London), Imperial College London and King's College London.

## The Fuel Bank Foundation

[www.fuelbankfoundation.org](http://www.fuelbankfoundation.org)



It's hard to believe that some people in the UK are today living without heat, light and power. This is because they don't have money to top up their prepayment meter. These people live in cold homes and are unable to cook a hot meal for their family, or have a shower before a job interview. It's only getting worse. **We call this Fuel Crisis.**

The energy supplier npower developed Fuel Bank. The goal was to identify and support those in fuel crisis. npower put together a team of specialists who used their expertise to work on the problem. Fuel Bank has the experience to generate meaningful, long-lasting change. In 2017, Fuel Bank Foundation became an independent registered charity.

Fuel Bank Foundation is the **only UK charity** to focus on the challenges of people living in fuel crisis. Fuel Bank Foundation provides emergency financial support through our network of partners. We identify people who cannot afford to pre-pay for their fuel or energy. Often they will have used up all their options for support. This means that when their money runs out, they have no heating or means to cook hot food. We call this **"fuel crisis"**.

**FBF has agreed to use our donation (the largest we made this year) to support people in fuel poverty in the area between Pogie wind farm and Edinburgh (based on a set of postcodes) and in this way the wind farm is bringing support to the local community in an energy related fashion.**

## Gourock Coal & Benevolent Fund

Scottish Charity: SC009881

Trustees: Gourock churches and welfare societies

### **The objects of the fund are:**

1. The provision of assistance to elderly individuals resident within the Burgh of Gourock (being taken to mean those postal addresses with a postcode 'PA19') through the provisions of support with their domestic gas, electricity or other power costs; and
2. in exceptional circumstances, as decided upon by the trustees, the provision of assistance to disabled individuals resident within the Burgh of Gourock through the provisions of support with their domestic gas, electricity or other power costs; and
3. the organisation of special effort to deal with any exceptional state of distress that may arise concerning elderly or disabled residents in the Burgh of Gourock.



## **Jewish Care Scotland**

[www.jcarescot.org.uk](http://www.jcarescot.org.uk)



JCS began in 1858 with a group of volunteers eager to help and has grown into a professional charity that provides innovative, individual care. At the heart of everything they do is a respect for Jewish culture and beliefs; they will be sensitive to your needs, as well as your family or carer. Their ultimate aim is to give you a helping hand when life has become hard. Alongside their long-running Day Care centre they provide a wide range of services for the Jewish community, from a Kosher foodbank, to support with mental health issues, helping refugees integrate into the community and everything in between.

## **MS Society Scotland**

[www.mssociety.co.uk](http://www.mssociety.co.uk)



The MS Society funds world-leading research, shares the latest information and campaign for everyone's rights. Together we are a community and together we can stop MS.

Our ultimate goal is to find treatments for everyone. Until then, we're working to make sure no one has to face MS alone. Everything we do is guided by people with MS. Because together, we're stronger.

MS can be tough to deal with. But whether you've had it for a while, are newly diagnosed, waiting for diagnosis or care about someone living with MS, we're here for you. MS Society provides helplines, emotional support, financial help, information on support that is more generally available and support for carers.

We gave our donation to MS Scotland, which is part of the MS Society but works specifically in Scotland. There are over 15,000 people with MS in Scotland. This makes MS more common in Scotland than in most other countries in the world.

# **Oxton Community Development Council**

## **Oxton Community Shop**

[www.oxtonshop.co.uk](http://www.oxtonshop.co.uk)



Having suffered the loss of two key community resources - the local pub and the local shop/Post Office, the community took action and formed OCDL which four years ago re-established the Oxton Shop. Run by volunteers and one member of staff it is a vital community resource, particularly for the elderly and vulnerable who have limited access to private or public transport for their shopping needs. That role at the heart of the community became even more apparent during lockdown. Currently operating from a portakabin, the shop will be moving into new bespoke premises as part of the Oxton War Memorial Hall re-development. OCDL adds 'The support from Hermia is a welcome boost to help that process of expansion and transition.'

## **Channelkirk School Parent Council**

<https://www.channelkirkprimaryschool.co.uk/>



Channelkirk Primary School is a small, rural school with 55 children this session, ranging for age 3-11 years old. The school have a very active Parent Council who are involved in fundraising, representing the views of the Parent Forum, and working with the school to deliver curriculum enhancing opportunities and resources.

Oxton is one of the closest villages to Pogie wind farm. It is about 3 miles South of the wind farm.

## **RSABI** (formerly the Royal Scottish Agricultural Benevolent Society)

[www.rsabi.org.uk](http://www.rsabi.org.uk)



RSABI supports people from Scottish agriculture emotionally, practically and financially in times of need. The service is available to those previously and currently involved in farming, crofting and occupations involved in agriculture in Scotland. This is a comprehensive service to clients who are experiencing difficult times to enable them to move forward.

Emotional support is available through our helpline, case officers and volunteers, all of whom are mental health first aid trained. We listen, keep people safe and access professional support when required. Our helpline - **freephone 0808 1234 555** - is open from 24 hours a day, seven days a week, 365 days of the year and offers a call out service for the lonely and vulnerable. We also have a confidential webchat service available 24 hours a day. To use webchat click on the green 'Chat' button at the bottom right of the website.

RSABI can access practical support such as, but not limited to, welfare benefits, business reviews, debt signposting, counselling and mediation services. We are happy to liaise with statutory agencies when required.

Our financial support can be for essential items including food, heating, counselling, disability aids, funerals, retraining and items for the home. Business costs will be considered to help overcome a short term crisis. All requests will be considered.

We at Hermia are grateful to the farming community. It is local farmers who host our wind farms and who have been central to the development of wind and solar energy throughout Scotland and the UK. Hosting a renewable energy generator can be a great way to diversify farm income, but not every farm is suitable. This is a small way to recognise our gratitude to the sector.