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Cormonachan Community Woodlands Ltd, Carrick Castle, Loch Goil.

**FANTASTIC NEWS to report...!**

**We are absolutely delighted to report that we have now been offered the full funding for the "Upper Cormonachan Heritage Paths Project" amounting to £253,146.00 for the construction and a further £32,306 for a 3-year part time Heritage Developer (£18,000 through Ardroy OEC) and the balance for training, promotion, etc. from the National Lottery Heritage Fund, NatureScot (Scottish Rural Development Programme) through their Agri-Environmental Climate Scheme - Improving Public Access and local donations of £18,400 from Lochgoil Community Trust and our Members and Supporters.**

**6th May 2022**

**2,917 interested people have been reached with 659 engaging through Facebook to date with the following comments:-**

Delighted to hear this! Well done on the great work done so far and look forward to using it when completed. C W (ABC)

Fantastic news! Well done everyone for the amazing work involved in securing this!; A S-S

Great news, congratulations! sure McGowan's will do a great job 🍀🍀 B W

Fantastic news. Congratulations to all! S B

Congratulations Dee and team on your outstanding fundraising efforts 🍀 T K

Very well done! It is a real coup to get such a fantastic lottery award! K E

Great news, congratulations! J S

Congratulations on securing this funding. Fabulous news L L

Well Done! C S

Fantastic news H E

Fantastic news. E MacD

Excellent 🙌 W McA

Brilliant news! R C

Wonderful news..missing Liz she was an inspiration. R T

Brilliant L A

This is brilliant news x H MacL

Tremendous, well done all xx L D

Congratulations S B

Well done Dee et al, Liz was an amazing person who would be so chuffed with what you have all achieved. S G

Congratulations !!!!!!! 😊 L C

Congratulations to all involved . F B

**Congratulations** - a great reward for all your hard work 🍀 S H

Fantastic news. Do you think it helped being on television ? D I

Fantastic news, well done everyone, all your hard work has paid off, superb achievement 🍀🍀🍀 F B

Wonderful news. J H

Wow. Liz will be so happy up there!! T E

Congratulations Dee. This is the result of much hard work and you are all to be congratulated! I'm pleased to think those falls and village will be more accessible. C F

**The following e-mail comments have been received to 6th May 2022 in response to our Members Update No 51 of 28th April 2022 with the same content as on Facebook:-**

"Wonderful news that Cormonachan Community Woodlands have been offered full funding for the Upper Cormonachan Heritage Paths project!" Friends of Loch Lomond & The Trossachs

This is a FANTASTIC NEWS email. I am so pleased for you (and the woodland!) and your hard work and perseverance has all come to fruition. Very well done! Congratulations to you and all the team. F B

Great oaks from little acorns grow - an amazing story of vision and hard work - you all should be very proud - let the momentum of this success carry you. G S

Well done Dee, All of your hard work has paid off! J G

That's brilliant news! Well done. A R-L

That is fantastic news. Your perseverance, determination and hard work to secure funding has paid off. I'm sure Liz is looking down on you bursting with pride - you did it. Congratulations 🎉. So many people are going to enjoy the new path when it's finished. Cormonachan has captured my heart. It's a very special place. S S

Congratulations - well done! J H (CWA)

That is fantastic news Douglas S M (FLS)

Fantastic news about the Funding. Really superb news and I look forward to that walk. C F

Thanks for your email, the path funding is great news. Well done for all your hard work. G & I F

My congratulations Dee on receiving this amazing grant. You did tell me once that you would get the grant and I confess I thought you were flying a kite. I am delighted that you have proven myself and others wrong and I hope that due recognition of your efforts will be recognised in the 'Locke Path' J S

Congratulations - I am delighted to see that you got funding- what a tribute to all your hard work and the fantastic nature of the project. S M

That is great news. Lots of hard work paid off and a great legacy for your late wife Liz. B M

Congratulations to everyone who worked on this funding application. It was a time consuming slog with several disappointments along the way. Well done, you've done it. A H

Congratulations Dee. Your years of perseverance and dedication to this project have been rewarded. Good luck with construction. H & A C

Thank you for the update, you must be very pleased with that. It is an amazing achievement so very well done to you and your team. M B

Well done guys, Exciting news F W

Amazing!! Well done Douglas and Don for the work put in. R H

What great news Dee! J M

That is such fabulous news! Congratulations! SO pleased for you after all your hard work! H R (LL&TTNPA)

Finally I would just like to add a note regarding my predecessor as Chair, the late Liz Evans. I am sure Liz is still keeping a watchful eye over the Cormonachan Woodlands and would be extremely proud of what Dee has managed to achieve with some help from the rest of the committee and others, volunteering their own time. Getting the paths extension project off the ground, when the vast majority of people in the local community gave no chance of success, has been a fantastic achievement. All Dee's hard work and stubborn determination has finally paid off. Well done Dee! D K