

# Melvich Community SCIO

Update for Melvich Community Council:  
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## Progress since last Community Council meeting:

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- Community asset transfer application for Melvich Public Toilets: Closing date for representations to Highland Council closed 2<sup>nd</sup> August 2022. No representations received by Highland Council.
- Scottish Water confirmed pipework running through “The Park” is redundant and can be removed.
- Initial drafts of Community Hub shape options received and feedback from trustees given to principal architect to update options for RIBA Stage 1. All options confirm that the key community requirements for the building can fit on the land proposed.
- Fruit and vegetables are ready for anyone to pick and use for free from our community garden.





## Community events and fundraising:

- Currently planning a schedule of regular events.
- Aiming to hold at least one event a month (on average) going forward. Further details will be released when available.
- Funding secured from SSE Strathy North Windfarm Community Benefit Fund for this financial year (and next) will help with costs for events for the community which are not aiming to raise funds (e.g. armistice day).



## Work planned in coming months:

- Complete legal process to transfer land adjacent to the former village hall (almost complete).
- Progress community asset transfer of public toilets.
- Continue delivering RIBA stage 1 (Preparation and briefing) for Melvich Community Hub. Further investigation of water services in area of planned excavation/construction required. Consultation / engagement on RIBA stage 1 output plans.
- Pre-application planning advice submission will be needed to fully understand car parking requirements.
- Next community update planned for early September.
- Run regular local fund raising initiatives and community events.





# Query for Community Council

- 'Melvich Play Park Group' have chosen not to progress the project due to various factors and are happy for another group to take over the project.
- Play parks are recreational facilities therefore they can be covered under Melvich Community SCIO's charitable object.
- **Do Melvich Community Council wish Melvich Community SCIO to progress reviewing/consulting what to do with the play parks and move them forward?**



Any comments / questions ?



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