## The Cuthbert-MacLean Foundation

Charity Number SC046507

## **Report From The Chair**

Trustees George Maclean Anthony Cuthbert Caroline McMahon Kathleen Wiseman

It is with great pleasure that we report on a very successful second year of continued financial support granted by the Cuthbert-Maclean Foundation to deserving causes. Applications to the Foundation are made by form of a letter or email. This ensures ease of access to the Foundation and prevents potential applicants being daunted by a lengthy application process.

Criteria for application for financial support are as follows:

1/ The advancement of the arts, heritage, culture or science.

2/ The advancement of education.

3/ The advancement of citizenship or community development.

4/ The relief of those in need by reason of age, ill health, disability, financial hardship or other disadvantage.

The Foundation does not provide services but works with organisations which provide services to those in need. The focus of financial support is to grant to projects which have clearly defined aims, objectives and are outcome focused. The decision making process happens in the form of meetings which are attended by the Trustees or by communication via email. This ensures that organisations and applicants do not have to wait till next Trustees meeting before receiving a reply to their request for funding.

This year the Foundation has continued to support a wide range of projects which fit the criteria of the Foundation. Listed below are some of the projects we have supported:

1/ Malawi trip in 2018 with Knightswood secondary school which will provide schoolchildren with the opportunity to provide support to disadvantaged children in Africa.

2/ Adventure Scotland; this organisation supports socially and economically disadvantaged young people to improve their mental and physical health and wellbeing through a variety of projects and adventures. We have provided them with 3 Kayaks for a specific project to improve lives of these young people.

3/ Whirlow Hall Farm Trust are an educational organisation who exist to ensure young people are able to fulfil their potential no matter their circumstances. To support to this organisation we were able to provide them with tables and chairs and other necessary educational equipment for their organisation.

4/ We provided mobile sensory equipment to an organisation called Include Me 2 in East Renfrewshire who are a community based voluntary organisation who provide support to adults with additional support needs including physical, learning and mental health disabilities.

5/ A Glasgow university Msc course in Global mental health was also funded to support a young student who is financially disadvantaged and who aims to work in Clinical psychology to address the inequalities in global mental health.

6/ Cumbernauld and Kilsyth Care are an organisation who support parents and Carers of young children who struggle to meet financial gaps in raising their families. The Foundation provided them with financial support to hire a hall for a School uniform Exchange event.

All of the projects mentioned have so far expressed immense gratitude for the support provided by the Foundation.

The Foundation has also received recognition and acknowledgment in various publications and websites of the organisations that have been supported by the Foundation.

We look forward to granting more projects and organisations the opportunities of improving the lives of people who would benefit from financial support that they may not otherwise have access to.

Caroline McMahon Chair