

**From:** Robertson, Elaine (Councillor)  
**Sent:** 02 March 2015 10:35  
**To:** 'Finlo & Liz Cottier'  
**Subject:** RE: Use of Oban Common Good Funds [NOT PROTECTIVELY MARKED]

**Classification: NOT PROTECTIVELY MARKED**

Dear Finlo,

Thank you for your email. I will make enquiries as to whether the grant can be used by the Club, for other than awarded. Personally I would have no issue with this proposal, and am sure the Trustees would agree, but as you will understand will have to confirm the governance.

Our next official meeting is on the 20<sup>th</sup> March. If it is possible, under the rules, I will circulate your email to the Trustees and Observers, to get an early response.

With best regards,  
Elaine

**From:** Finlo & Liz Cottier [<mailto:cardingmill@gmail.com>]  
**Sent:** 01 March 2015 23:52  
**To:** Robertson, Elaine (Councillor)  
**Cc:** Richard Shellcock  
**Subject:** Use of Oban Common Good Funds

Dear Elaine

You will recall that Oban Sailing Club was awarded a grant of approximately £2500 last year to assist with the purchase of a new training dinghy.

We have spent the autumn and winter working with a Club development officer from Royal Yachting Association Scotland. This has been transformational for the club. One outcome has been his advice on which type of dinghy we should be buying to ensure that there is progression of our young sailors into regional and national events. Whilst our original application was for a LASER PICO - now we are looking for TOPPERS on their recommendation. I wanted to enquire with you how restricted the funding award is. For example:

- 1) Is it permissible that we change the type of dinghy that we purchase (from Pico to Topper)?
- 2) Is it permissible to purchase 2nd hand dinghies. We have identified an offer from a supplier on the east coast who have 5 dinghies available that we could afford with the Common Good Fund grant + some supplementary club funds. These boats are in exceptional condition, between 2-4 years old and would mean we could provide 5 quality boats for the CGF money for Oban kids rather than just 1.

If you could advise me on these options I would be very grateful. You might be able to indicate if you can take a Chair's Action to authorise a deviation from the original grant.

Many thanks  
Finlo