

Heinrich Steinmeyer Legacy – Comrie Survey

Initial Analysis Report – May 2017

Following his time as A German Prisoner of War at Cultybraggan Camp, and subsequent years working in Scotland before returning to Germany, Heinrich Steinmeyer revisited Comrie. Following his death, in 2013, his ashes were scattered in the hills around Comrie, and, through his Will, he left everything he owned to “Comrie Development Trust” to benefit “the elderly” in Comrie.

In January 2017, an Interim Legacy Committee was set up to arrange a consultation process to determine how the £384,000 in the legacy fund should be spent. Two survey forms were delivered to every household in the Comrie area, with other forms available in the village. A public meeting was held on 14 March. The survey was publicised in the local press, posters and community social media. By the deadline date of 28 March, 281 had been returned to the designated collection points. A subgroup of the interim committee then met to work through the completed survey forms and record the details from them. This enabled further work to carry out the analysis presented below.

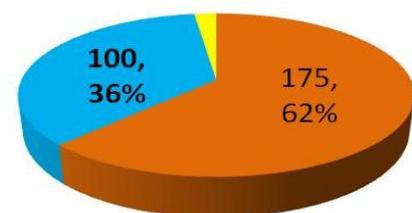
Nearly three quarters of the respondents to the survey (74%) were over 60 years of age, with 18% over 80 years old. 17% were in their 50s and approaching old age, with 5% under 50 years of age.

		Age Group						
		Under 50	50-59	60-69	70-79	80-89	90+	Not Known
		15	48	72	84	36	14	10
		5%	17%	26%	30%	13%	5%	4%

A majority of those returning survey forms were women (62%), with men making up 36% of respondents. People were not required to provide any personal information and six people (2% of the total) had not given their gender.

Survey No.	Gender		
	Female	Male	Not Known
Number Received			
281	175	100	6
	62%	36%	2%

Gender of Respondents



Female Male Not Known

People had been asked to indicate on the form whether they were interested in and willing to join future work on the use of the legacy funds. 17 people had expressed an interest in joining the Legacy Committee, and 55 people (20% of all respondents) had offered to help with the work in other ways.

The question people had been asked to answer on the survey form had been:

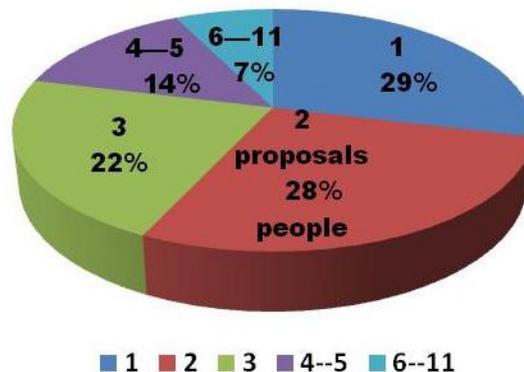
Committee	Active
17	55
6%	20%

In your experience as an older person, or from contact you have had with older people in Comrie, how should the £386,000 Legacy fund be used to benefit elderly people in Comrie?

The wording of the survey form question was deliberately left open to respondents to say exactly what they individually thought and wanted to see, without any guidance or restriction on what was written or how many ideas were put forward.

75 people (27%) made one proposals, 73 people (26%) made two proposals and 57 people (20%) made three proposals. Others had a lot more to suggest, and made between four and eleven proposals each

Number of Proposals made per Respondent and % of Respondents at those numbers



Proposals mentioned	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	11	Total
Respondent number	21	75	73	57	19	17	10	3	3	2	1	281
% people mentioning no. of proposals	7%	27%	26%	20%	7%	6%	4%	1%	1%	1%	0.4%	100%

Some people had broad ideas about how the legacy funds should be used and suggested policies and approaches that should be adopted for the management of the monies. These included:

- using the funds as ‘seedcorn’ monies, i.e. for development or start-up costs or with match funding;
- making the best use of the funds to meet immediate needs;
- holding back and investing some of the funds, and using the interest for future purposes or to extend its use;
- ensuring that funded projects would be set up in such a way that they would have long-term sustainability;
- setting up a separate Legacy Trust to manage the funds - or that this was unjustified.

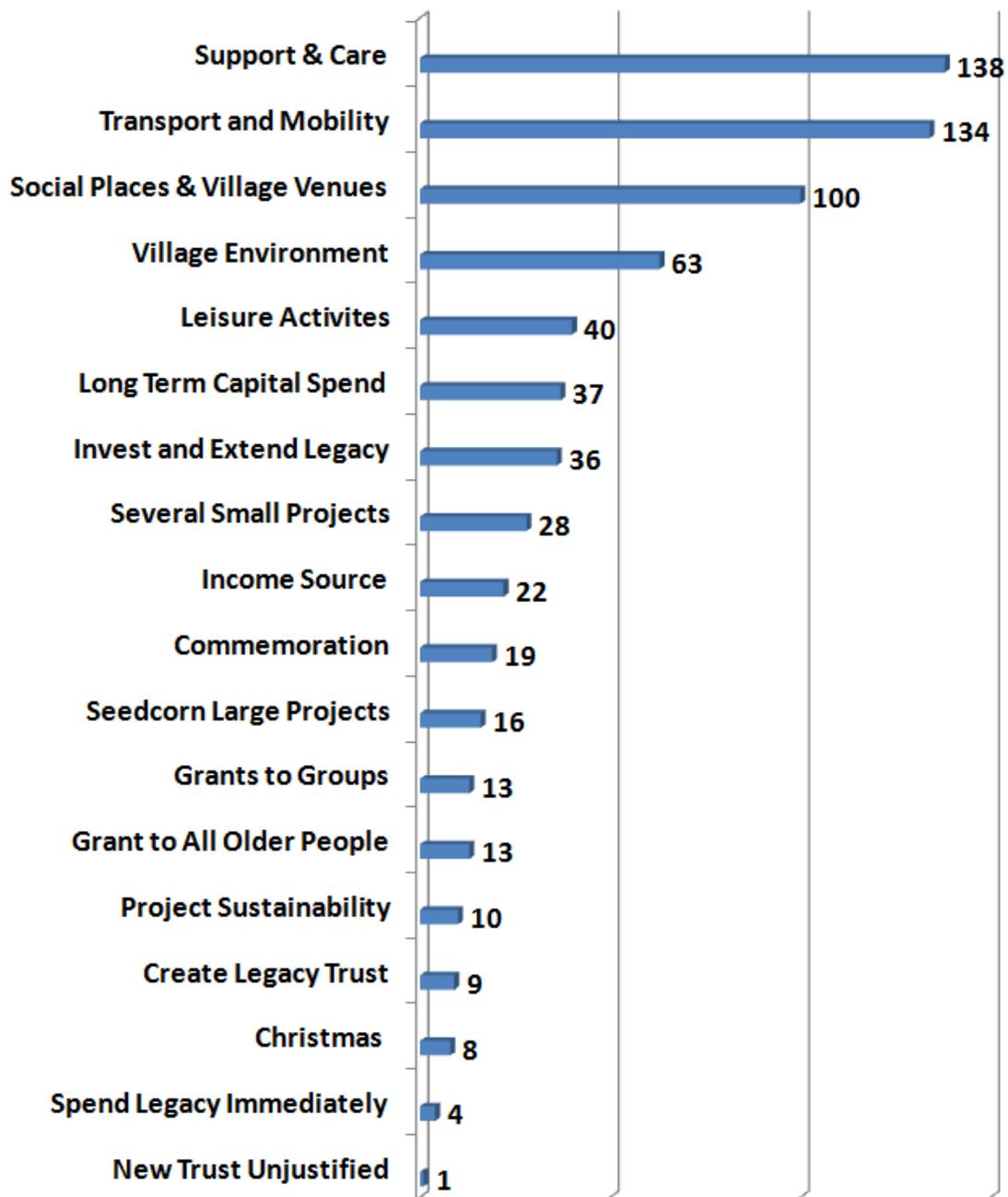
Thirty seven people (13% of all respondents) made proposals which would involve capital expenditure on building construction or renovation work, or in purchasing a property.

Policy										
Capital Spend	Seedcorn Large Project		Spend Legacy Immediately		Invest Part Extend Legacy		Project Sustainability		Create Legacy Trust	New Trust Unjustified
	37	16	4		20		10		9	1
	13%	6%	1%		7%		4%		3%	

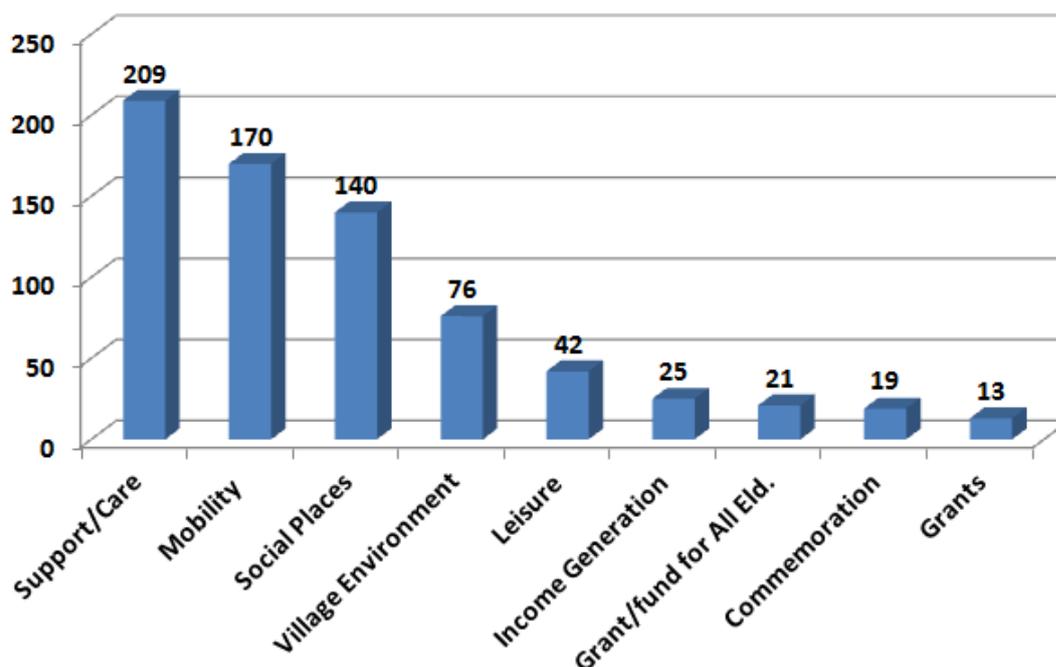
Survey returns were completed and submitted for 281 people. Their proposals were grouped under the headings, which had come from the discussions, involving around a hundred people, at the public meeting and the Silver Circle. Additional categories were added to record all of the new suggestions made by people completing the survey. The main headings were: support and care; mobility; social places; village environment; leisure; income and grants; and commemoration of Heinrich Steinmeyer. As indicated above, people were able to suggest developments in more than one area.

The table below provides the summary detail of the number of people completing the survey and stating support for particular areas of development.

Steinmeyer Legacy Survey Choices by Number of People



Legacy Proposals



The total number of ideas put forward was 715. The number of times proposals were mentioned in all of the survey forms both under the general headings and the detailed categories was then counted. So, for example, the number of ideas coming from survey respondents saying that one of the uses of the legacy funding should be Support and Care was 209, and amongst those survey responses 65 made specific proposals concerning care supports, 38 mentioned respite services for carers, 27 mentioned advice services, and so on.

Proposals Summary					
Support/Care	209	Mobility	170	Social Places	140
including:		including:		including:	
<i>Care & Support</i>	65	<i>Transport</i>	71	<i>Rural Hall</i>	40
<i>Carers & Respite</i>	38	<i>Coco Bus</i>	69	<i>Loop Sys. - RH&Wh.Ch.</i>	36
<i>Advice Service</i>	27	<i>Bus Trips</i>	30	<i>Meeting or Care Spaces</i>	18
<i>First Response</i>	21				
<i>Therapies/equipment</i>	16				
Village Environment	76	Leisure	42	Income Generation	25
including:		including:		Grant/fund for All Eld.	21
<i>Benches/bus shelters</i>	21	<i>Exercise/ Activities</i>	25	Grants	13
<i>Community Garden - St K's Sq.</i>	17	<i>Arts & Culture</i>	11	Commemoration	19

The table above gives the total figures for the overall categories (support/care, mobility etc.), but only provides a few examples of the sub-headings. The table on the following four pages below has the full information about the survey responses, and the number of people mentioning specific proposals for the use of the Steinmeyer legacy funding.

Steinmeyer Legacy Survey – Proposals by 281 Respondents – Number of Mentions	
Support/Care	209
Including:	
<i>Care & Support</i>	65
Visiting/befriending service - reduce isolation/loneliness - voluntary service	11
Comrie care in the community scheme – care company/cooperative/empty.agency, carer bank incl.emegencies	9
Meals delivered to older people at home	4
Coordinator/facilitator for elderly - recruit/manage volun. drivers/befrndrs - Health visitor/vol.coordinator	3
house cleaning service - laundry/bed making support	3
Garden maintenance for older people - volunteers or low cost	3
Provide community wardens service - monitoring of single vulnerable/disabled elderly	3
Dog walkers and pet carers bank - pet care/rehoming plus Vet cost help	3
Investment £350k – interest on one full-time carer	1
shopping in Comrie with carer	1
Butcher/Grocer van	1
<i>Carers & Respite</i>	38
Respite care//Relieve carers for hospital visits etc/holiday relief, Respite Centre	6
Respite bed in care home (Dalginross House)	3
<i>Handy Person</i>	30
Handy people bank – home/gardening/DIY – tradesmen for a small jobs	4
<i>Advice Service</i>	27
Abbeyfield outreach worker hours extended	7
Drop-in centre/Troubleshooter/CAB access info/advice about benefits etc	4
Inventory/directory of all village clubs/services	3
<i>First Response</i>	21
First Response support - secure future (1 x £50k proposal)	4
<i>Therapies and equipment</i>	16
Aids & Adaptations/special/palliative care/walking aids/Medical Centre monitoring/nursing equipment	7
Pay for village chiropody and physiotherapy, massage, aromatherapy, chiropody, yoga	5
<i>Accommodation</i>	8
Build/purchase/adapt respite facility/2 bed accessible bungalow, hospice, visiting family accom. in Cultyb.hut	5
Special needs housing – sheltered housing – short-term uses – purchase and run 'Abbeyfield' type	3
<i>Computer Support</i>	7
High-speed broadband locally– Training support/online shopping – Perth Coll. tablets–distribute – vol. teachers	3

Mobility	170
Including:	
<i>Transport</i>	71
Transport to Comrie shops/pension/coffee/local events/groups incl. wheelchairs/service bus/off bus routes	27
Transport to Crieff	4
Transport – medical centre, hospital, taxi fares, purchase car	12
Mobility scooter/ disabled buggy/ loan/rental/ based at Cameron Court – Comrie Medical Centre	12
Dial a bus/pool car for transport to village/car sharing/more wheelchair space/bus with lift	10
dial-a-bus with paid driver/buy people carrier - pool of drivers	5
<i>Coco Bus</i>	69
Coco-bus - service to village, Stirling/Perth, nature trips, employ driver - replace - 2nd/whlchr - village lottery	12
<i>Bus Trips</i>	30
Bus – Glasgow/Edinburgh – fringe, shops, theatre - day trips - annual holiday - extra bus	8
Social Places	140
Including:	
Rural Hall - upgrade disabled access, heating, toilets, loop, – develop as drop-in, gym, computers	40
Loop Systems in Rural Hall and White Church	36
Meeting or Care Spaces	18
Daycare centre – new/purchase/church/white church, drop-in, dementia partner, trained staff (2 Cultyb. Huts?)	12
Silver Circle - develop activities – funding for outings	12
White Church - Loop system, improve wheelchair access, online deliveries via Comrie account	8
Purchase/repair Ancaster - social club for older men	6
Sheltered area (Glasshouse/Eden structure) in St Kessogs Sq. & Boulevard	4
Coffee mornings April to September - Community cafe – cheaper elderly rates - Thursday club	4
Village Environment	76
Including:	
Benches (Dalginross, Strowan Road, riversides, St Kessogs + HS plaque) bus shelters, Boulevard picnic tables	21
Community Garden - St Kessogs Sq. garden, sumhse - elsewhere raised sense garden & community bird hide	17
Comrie disabled friendly hear/sight/whchair/demnt - access to shops, pavements salted, high kerbs removed	7
Christmas lights	5
St Kessogs Square - parking, maintenance	4
Pedestrian crossing – Drummond Street	4
Riverbank footpaths upgrade	4
Upgraded accessible toilets - all year round - preferably more central	3
Comrie in Colour support	3
Footbridge – Strowan Road to Drummond Street	3
Village lanes upkeep, graveyard attention, Field-o-Ref. Bottlebnk, road repairs grp, birdfeeders&nuts – all eld.	5

Leisure	42
Including:	
<i>Exercise & Activities</i>	25
Activities/clubs - Golf/bowling club grants – man shed – Sp.softball - Tdancing - Th. Club - pay coordinator	9
Exercise class/Tai Chi/equipment - village indoor/outdoor/people homes - Adapted whlchr vehicle – Hill trips	7
bowling alley/swimming pool/leisure facility/tennis courts - Cultyb. Nissen hut or village	6
<i>Arts & Culture</i>	11
Mobile library - create memory booklets/autobiographies– art classes – exhibition space – culture fund	6
<i>Young & Old</i>	6
Young and old club – share skills/experience - Play park – g'randparents taking grandchildren	2
Income Generation	25
Including:	
Invest part money – interest for projects, urgent need/hardship (Advice paper provided) - Common Good Fund	9
Income from property investment/ buy to let/holiday home - wind/solar energy fields	9
Invest whole amount – only use income - use on projects/small grants to elderly	4
Ensure projects self-sustaining – week of door-to-door collections – income for Christmas hampers & outings	3
Grant/fund for All Elderly	21
Including:	
Christmas meal/party/entertainment annually (£50k fund)	5
Burglar/panic alarms/double glazing in all homes of older people	3
Grants	13
Including:	
Grants to community groups/events - Singalong/Air Ambulance	6
Commemoration	19
Including:	
Steinmeyer annual event/garden party/meal/social - village plaque/art, Cultybraggan hut	7

Steinmeyer Legacy Consultation
Proposals made at Public Meeting 14.3.17 and Silver Circle Meeting 16.3.17
(Note: Does not include Survey Responses)

Fund Policy

L/T Capital Expenditure
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