

Results of the Kilcalmonell Free Church community consultation

Clachan village primary residents (>16 yrs of age) were invited to vote either for or against submitting an application to the Scottish Land Fund for a 95% acquisition grant for the purchase of the Kilcalmonell Free Church with a view to restoration and renovation as a replacement village hall. The survey responses were processed by Community Links Scotland. The initial results included a few 2nd home owners which have now been eliminated from the results. This however did not change the voting ratio.

The adjusted results as supplied by Community Links Scotland are:

88 valid votes

52 in favour = 59%

36 against = 41%

This gives a majority of 18% in favour of submitting the grant application.

The application has been submitted to the Scottish Land Fund and the results will be released mid-November. A pre-planning enquiry has been made by Shauna Cameron Architects on 12.8.20 and we should hear from A&B planning department within the next fortnight as to whether they will in principle support a change of use for the Free Church to serve as a community building. The Scottish Land Fund will only offer the acquisition grant if they are satisfied that the project is both viable and carries community support.

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