

ANGUS COUNCIL

POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE – 13 MARCH 2018

COMMON GOOD FUNDS – PROJECT APPROVALS

REPORT BY THE HEAD OF TECHNICAL & PROPERTY SERVICES

ABSTRACT

This report seeks Committee approval for 2017/18 Common Good funded projects.

1. RECOMMENDATION

1.1 It is recommended that the Committee:

- (i) approve the requested funding for 2017/18 projects as detailed in **Appendix 1**.

2. ALIGNMENT TO THE ANGUS LOCAL OUTCOMES IMPROVEMENT PLAN/CORPORATE PLAN

Projects delivered through the applications contribute to the following local outcomes contained within the Angus Local Outcomes Improvement Plan and Locality Plans:

ECONOMY

- 1. An inclusive and sustainable economy
- 2. A skilled and adaptable workforce
- 3. Attractive employment opportunities

PEOPLE

- 4. The best start in life for children
- 5. More opportunities for people to achieve success
- 6. Improved physical, mental and emotional health and well-being

PLACE

- 7. Safe, secure, vibrant and sustainable communities
- 8. A reduced carbon footprint
- 9. An enhanced, protected and enjoyed natural and built environment

3. CURRENT POSITION

3.1 The Council administers the five individual Common Good funds:

- Arbroath
- Brechin
- Forfar
- Kirriemuir
- Montrose

3.2 As part of the budget cycle council services have the opportunity to submit bids for Common Good funds and this is particularly prevalent where the bids are for the maintenance of the Common Good asset for repairs and maintenance which is a liability on the Common Good funds. Other organisations may make bids for funding from Common Good funds in accordance with the application process and guidance notes.

3.3. The process for approval of Common Good fund bids is set out in the council's Financial Regulations.

4. PROPOSALS

- 4.1 Details of the individual projects for which formal approval is sought are contained in **Appendix 1** in this report.
- 4.2 Further reports will be presented to Committee, if further project approvals are sought.

5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 A summary of the financial implications are outlined below if the Committee are minded to agree all the proposed projects. Financial implications may be reduced if not all projects are approved:

Common Good Fund	Actual Revenue Balance as at 01/04/17 (£)	Estimated Outturn Revenue Balance as at 31/03/18 (£)	Additional 2017/18 Cost per this Report (£)	Updated Estimated Outturn Revenue Balance as at 31/03/18 (£)	Minimum Revenue Account Balance (£)
Forfar	631,193	657,031	33,250	623,781	300,000
Montrose	440,533	358,325	1,000	357,32541	100,000

6. CONCLUSION

- 6.1 Funding requests has been received in 2017/18 as set out in **Appendix 1**

NOTE: No background papers, as detailed by Section 50D of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 (other than any containing confidential or exempt information) were relied on to a material extent in preparing the above report.

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FORFAR COMMON GOOD FUND

Project Name 1	Salary for an officer to manage, develop and coordinate rugby related projects; costs of qualifications for secondary school aged participants
Organisation	The Strathmore Rugby Club Community Trust
Value	£33,250 one off towards a £107,750 project
Description	Employment costs of an officer to manage develop and coordinate rugby related projects including qualifications for secondary school aged members; walking rugby for elderly.
Status	Agreed by all 4 ward members

Total funding request 2017/18 from Forfar Common Good Fund £33,250

MONTROSE COMMON GOOD FUND

Project Name 1	Replacement of the playing surface of 3 old tennis courts (the southern courts).
Organisation	Montrose Tennis Club
Value	£1,000 towards a £39,759 project
Description	Replacement of the playing surface of 3 old tennis courts (the southern courts).
Status	Agreed by 3 Members; 1 declared an interest

Total funding request 2017/18 from Montrose Common Good Fund £1,000