

**ANGUS COUNCIL**

**DEVELOPMENT AND ENTERPRISE COMMITTEE – 27 MAY 2014**

**ANGUS COUNCIL COMMUNITY GRANT SCHEME – NEW APPLICATIONS**

**REPORT BY CHIEF EXECUTIVE**

**ABSTRACT**

This Report informs the Development and Enterprise Committee of applications to Angus Council in 2014/15 of £1,000 or less submitted and/or approved since 15 April 2014 and recommends approval of grants of over £1,000 recommended for approval since 15 April 2014.

**1. RECOMMENDATION**

1.1 It is recommended that the Committee:

- (i) Notes the grant awards for 2014/15 of £1,000 or less made since 15 April 2014;
- (ii) Approves grant awards of over £1,000 recommended for approval since 15 April 2014

**2. ALIGNMENT TO THE ANGUS COMMUNITY PLAN/SINGLE OUTCOME AGREEMENT/COPORATE PLAN**

2.1 This report contributes to the following local outcome contained within the Angus Community Plan and Single Outcome Agreement 2013-2016:

- Angus is a good place to live in, work in and visit.

**3. CURRENT POSITION**

**3.1 2014//15 APPLICATIONS OF £1,000 OR LESS – £1,775 SUB TOTAL**

<b>Organisation</b>	<b>Amount Requested</b>	<b>Category</b>	<b>Summary</b>	<b>Decision</b>
Monikie & Newbigging Community Council	£1,000	Cultural	Grant requested towards commemorating the 100 <sup>th</sup> anniversary of WW1 by planting trees in memory of 27 men from the parish. Each tree will represent a soldier.	The Community Council wishes to purchase and plant 27 trees on open ground next to the village hall in memory of men from the parish who died during WW1. The group also intend to erect a commemorative stone in the area and a small plaque at each tree naming the person after whom the tree is dedicated. They feel that this will not only make people aware of the sacrifice that these men made but will also improve the appearance of the hall environment and be an attraction to visitors thus enhancing the heritage of Angus.  <b>Grant Awarded - £1,000</b>
Carnoustie	£975.00	General	Grant requested	The group wants to purchase tiered

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Community Council			towards new planters and compost to enhance the town and make it a more pleasant place and build on past success (Silver Medal 2013 – Keep Scotland beautiful).	<p>planters, barrier planters and compost which they will position at various locations throughout the town. The group states that this is a “new project – they wish to expand the number of planters in certain areas of the town centre. Nothing undertaken before by Angus Council”. They will undertake the planting, weeding, feeding and watering of the planters. Their aim is to enhance the appearance of the town centre which will make it more attractive to locals and tourists alike.</p> <p>After seeking clarification council officers confirmed that Arbroath Recycling Centre gives out free compost to people. Grant was therefore approved for planters only and not the compost.</p> <p><b>Grant Awarded - £775.00</b></p>
Strathmore Highland Games	£720.00	General	Grant requested towards safety nets for events for the Strathmore Highland Games	<p>For health and safety reasons the club are looking to purchase safety nets for heavy events at the Strathmore Highland Games. The net is required to protect members of the public, judges and competitors.</p> <p>The group appear from the records submitted to have accounts to the value of over £20,000 and have made a significant profit from last year's games. For this reason it is felt that the group could fund the purchase of the nets themselves.</p> <p><b>Grant Awarded - £0</b></p>

### 3.2 2014/15 APPLICATIONS OF OVER £1,000 – £9,941.00 SUB TOTAL

Organisation	Amount Requested	Category	Summary	Decision
Strathmore Vintage Vehicle Club (SVVC)	£5,000	Tourism	Grant requested towards provision of entertainment for “The Scottish Transport Extravaganza” special 40 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary which includes Jason Smyth Stunt Show and Forfar Pipe Band.	<p>The Scottish Transport Extravaganza is one of the major annual events in Angus attracting around 15,000 visitors over the two days of the festival.</p> <p>This event has had significant visitor numbers each year but to ensure that it can increase its economic impact it must grow the numbers of visitors from outwith Angus. As 2014 is the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of this event it is appropriate that a new celebratory aspect should be added. Ring entertainment should give SVVC the opportunity to keep the festival</p>

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				<p>dynamic with the potential to attract new attendees.</p> <p>As with all events funded by the ACCGS the group will be asked to use a robust visitor survey to clearly identify the geographical origin of visitors and their propensity for overnight stays. This will give an effective baseline for more meaningful outcomes and can be used to calculate economic impact.</p> <p><b>Grant recommended – £5,000</b></p>
<b><u>Past Grants</u></b>				
ACCGS 2010/11	£5,000	Grant awarded towards renovation of premises and marketing materials to promote the redevelopment of premises.		
AC Event Fund 2012/13	£1,000	Grant awarded towards road closure for Extravaganza event.		
ACCGS 2013/14	£4,520.40	Grant awarded towards toilet hire for Extravaganza event.		
BRAVO Brechin	£4,941	Tourism	Grant requested towards equipment for a giant water slide attraction and purchase of five stalls.	<p>BRAVO Brechin has only been in existence since June 2013 and was set up to develop, organise and promote events and other activities in Brechin and the surrounding area. It grew out of the Brechin and Area Partnership which has successfully established a number of events in the town and BRAVO Brechin has now taken on that role.</p> <p>The group is seeking funding for the purchase of five stalls (including covers) which will be made available to voluntary/community groups at the various events which are planned in the town including the Easter and Harley Davidson events and</p>

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				<p>the re-introduction of the Pageant. The stalls will enable these groups to promote their activities at the events.</p> <p>The group is also seeking funding for the fabrication of a water slide and dinghies. The water slide is intended to be an added attraction at events particularly for younger people and it is hoped that this will encourage them to become more involved in the events.</p> <p>The provision of the stalls will help other organisations/groups in the area promote their activities and the water slide is a novel and fun way of attracting young people to these events and engaging with them and can be re-used.</p> <p><b>Grant Recommended - £4,941</b></p>

#### 4. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

##### 4.1 Angus Council Community Grant Scheme - 2014/15

The base provision for the Angus Council Community Grant Scheme contained within the 2014/15 revenue budget totals £60,500 comprising Education - £9,500 (TBC); and Other Services revenue budget - £51,000. This base provision will be augmented by the 100% carry forward amount from 2013/14 of circa £59,000 being the balance of resources available from both the Grants Scheme and the Events Funds. The exact sum will be confirmed as part of the final accounts process and an update will be included in future reports on the Grant Scheme.

4.2 Overall a budget of around £119,500 is estimated to be available in 2014/15.

4.3 The amount submitted for approval in this Report for 2014/15 totals £11,716.00 (£1,775.00 and £9,941.00). The recommended amount of £11,716.00 combined with other grant approvals in 2014/15 of £36,869.48 brings the total commitment in 2014/15 to £48,585.48, which can be met from the 2014/15 budget provision.

4.4 In addition a sum of £50,000 has been set aside for the Commonwealth Games Fund (report 185/14 refers), leaving an uncommitted balance of around £19,000 will be available to fund further grants in 2014/15. However any unused funds for the Commonwealth Games fund will be then made available to fund Grant Scheme applications for the remainder of 2014/15.

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**NOTE:** The following 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.

Article 3 of the minute of meeting of the Policy & Resources Committee of 7 May 1996; Article 11 of the minute of meeting of the Strategic Policy Committee of 21 June 2005; Article 16 of

the Resources Central Services Committee of 4 May 2006; Article 16 of the Corporate Services Committee of 12 March 2009; Article 8 of the Angus Council Committee of 17 September 2009 and Article 4 of the minute of meeting of the Infrastructure Services Committee of 5 March 2013. Reference is also made to Article 19 of the minute of meeting of the Angus Council Committee of 22 March 2012; Article 14 of the Infrastructure Services Committee of 14 June 2012 and Article 4 of the minute of meeting of the Infrastructure Services Committee of 5 March 2013.

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