AGENDA ITEM NO 6

REPORT NO 30/15

ANGUS COUNCIL

DEVELOPMENT AND ENTERPRISE COMMITTEE – 20 JANUARY 2015

ANGUS COUNCIL COMMUNITY GRANT SCHEME

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 18 November 2014 and seeks approval of grant awards of over £1,000 recommended for approval since 18 November 2014.

1. **RECOMMENDATION**

- 1.1 It is recommended that the Committee:
 - (i) Note the grant awards for 2014/15 of £1,000 or less made since 18 November 2014;
 - (ii) Approve the grant awards of over £1,000 recommended for approval

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

- 2.1 This report contributes to the following local outcome(s) 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 – £3,298.92 SUB TOTAL

Organisation	Amount	Category	Summary	Decision
	Requested			
Angus Young Engineers Previous grants: 23 November 2011 - £5000 for laptops and test track accessories 19 March 2013 £1,000 towards attending London exhibition	£712.41	General	Grant requested towards a lathe and chuck set to enable young people to exhibit and promote their woodcraft skills at outdoor events and also to encourage older and disabled people to enjoy woodworking.	This request is for new equipment. The aid of the project is to widen involvement to older and disabled people, as well as enable young people to showcase their skills at outdoor events using this portable equipment. The group do not have the finances to purchase this equipment without grant support. Grant awarded £712.41

Organisation	Amount	Category	Summary	Decision
	Requested			
4 October 2013 £2,000 towards Ipads for design technology applications				
Forfar Men's Shed	£400.00	General	Grant requested towards set up costs for a new men's group to include printing costs for promotion and visit to Forth and Tay Men's Shed network group to learn and share.	There is significant enthusiasm in the group which has made good progress to date. The project has the potential to deliver significant social and health benefits to participants. Grant awarded £400.00
Montrose Triathlon Club	£890.00	Sport	Grant requested towards set-up costs including website, logo design and series of training talks	This group was set up following a successful triathlon in Montrose. The group appear to be well organised and are keen to attract first time triathletes as well as developing more experienced members. The grant will help them to establish themselves.
				Grant awarded £890.00
Monifieth Community Council Previous grants: November 2013 - £460.76 for Christmas light switch-on	£525.50	General	Grant requested towards the annual Christmas lights switch on. The grant is for the hire of lights.	This grant will help the group deliver the event. As they have previously applied for funding for this event they are subject to a reduction in the amount originally sought in line with the approved Events Policy, being 67% of the £460.76 received last year. Grant awarded £303.71
Arbroath Bowling Club	£992.80	Sport	Grant requested towards insulation of roof space in function hall	The group's wider activities are important within the community for bringing people together and providing activities for all ages. This will make the area warmer and more pleasant to use throughout the year, and reduce energy costs. This work is a prelude to a larger insulation project for the larger area of their premises Grant awarded £992.80

3.2 2014/15 APPLICATIONS OF OVER £1,000 - £5,000.00 SUB TOTAL

Organisation	Amount	Category	Summary	Decision
	Requeste			
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Montrose Tennis Club Previous grants: 29 June 2007- £5000 for Pavilion upgrade 26 November 2009 - £5,000 for floodlighting project. 22 May 2012 - £1,500 for perimeter fencing and gates	£5,000.00	Sport	Grant request towards fencing and gates for two new mini tennis courts for younger players.	Montrose Tennis Club are very pro-active and their 300 members have worked hard to develop their facilities. Mini tennis is the largest growth area at present. They have a good track record of managing projects. Mini courts will allow younger players to take part. There is also a possibility for those with learning and physical disabilities to use them. Grant recommended £5,000.00

5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

5.1 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 £58,774 comprising Education - £7,773.74 and Other Services revenue budget - £51,000. This base provision has been augmented by the 100% carry forward amount from 2013/14 of £59,000 being the balance of resources available from both the Grant Scheme and the Event Funds.

- 5.2 Overall a budget of £117,773.74 is available in 2014/15.
- 5.3 The amount submitted for approval in this Report for 2014/15 totals £8,298.92 (£3,298.92 and £5,000.00). An unused grant of £585 was returned from Dundee & Angus Radio Controlled Car Club (report 301/12 refers to approval). The recommended amount of £8,298.92 combined with other grant approvals in 2014/15 of £76,283.07 (this varies from the figure reported in November as the grant to Angus Ski Club was approved at £2,500 and not £5,000 as per recommendation) less grant returned of £585 brings the total commitment in 2014/15 to £83,996.99
- 5.4 Additionally, £28,562.83 of Commonwealth Games grants have been approved in 2014/15. If the recommendations of this report are approved, overall grant awards in 2014/15 would total £112,559.82 which can be met from the 2014/15 budget provision.
- 5.5 An uncommitted balance of £5,213.92 is available to fund grant applications for the remainder of 2014/15.

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NOTE: 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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