

**ANGUS COUNCIL**

**POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE – 31 JANUARY 2017**

**ANGUS COUNCIL COMMUNITY GRANT SCHEME**

**REPORT BY CHIEF EXECUTIVE**

**ABSTRACT**

This Report informs the Policy and Resources Committee of applications to Angus Council in 2016/17 of £1,000 or less submitted and/or approved since 29 November 2017. It also seeks approval of grant applications of over £1,000 recommended for approval since 29 November 2016.

**1. RECOMMENDATION(S)**

1.1 It is recommended that the Committee:

- (i) Note the grant awards for 2016/17 of £1,000 or less approved since 29 November 2016;
- (ii) Approve the grant applications 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 All of the applications approved or recommended for approval have met the eligibility criteria of the Angus Council Community Grant Scheme.

**4. 2016/17 APPLICATIONS OF £1,000 OR LESS - £1,000 SUB TOTAL**

<b>Organisation</b>	<b>Amount Requested</b>	<b>Category</b>	<b>Summary</b>	<b>Decision</b>
Edzell Drama Group	£1,000	Community	Group recently fundraised for replacement of their lighting system at Ingles Memorial Hall.	The group have already improved old lighting system and are making a contribution to this purchase, demonstrating good value.
Previous Applications				
ACCGS 2006-07 £300.00 Leisure			Requesting ACCGS funding towards cost of a spotlight to enhance the new system.	Fits with ACCGS themes, in particular, bringing people together.
ACCGS 2007-08 £300.00 Leisure			Group will contribute some of their own funds to this cost.	Grant would allow them to improve the quality of their productions and provide a better experience to visitors.
				<b>APPROVE £1,000</b>

5. **2016/17 FOCUS YEARS APPLICATIONS (ALL £1,000 OR LESS) - £0.00 SUB TOTAL**

There were no Focus Years applications for this period.

6. **2016/17 APPLICATIONS OF OVER £1,000 – £8,482.40 SUB TOTAL**

Organisation	Amount Requested	Category	Summary	Decision
<p>Mofest</p> <p>Previous Applications</p> <p>ACCGS 2007-08 £2,000 Year 1 Event Costs Mofest</p> <p>ACCGS 2014-15 £4,534.94 Equipment</p> <p>ACCGS 2015-16 £2,937 Flooring &amp; Signage for new premises</p> <p>ACCGS 2016-17 £1,210 Year 2 Event Costs Mofest</p> <p>ACCGS 2016-17 £3,420 Year 1 Event Costs Mofest 10<sup>th</sup> Birthday</p>	£3,360.00	Tourism	<p>Request to amend project activity:</p> <p>ACCGS Funding of £3,420 approved by Policy &amp; Resources Committee 29 November 2016 towards costs of Guitar Trail for MoFest's 10th Birthday event.</p> <p>Match funding has been unsuccessful and applicant has requested to transfer grant monies to another element of this event.</p> <p>Request £3,360 towards cost of Tipi Hire for a new "Butterfly Stage" in Mid Links Montrose introduce a new element of MoFest for families and young people.</p>	<p>Mofest has previously focussed on entertainment for teens and adults. The committee is keen to expand festival activities with this new element which is aimed at providing family friendly entertainment and activities in a safe and enclosed space to encourage families and young people to participate in the festivities.</p> <p>Assessors have recommended approval for this request to amend Grant amount from £3,420 to £3,360 for alternative 10<sup>th</sup> Birthday event activity.</p> <p>The remaining £60 from original request will be reallocated to the ACCGS budget for new applications.</p> <p><b>RECOMMEND APPROVAL £3,360</b></p>
<p>Newtyle United FC</p> <p>Previous Applications</p> <p>ACCGS 2013-14 £961.30 Equipment, Insurance, First Aid Course</p> <p>ACCGS 2014-15 £794.69 Equipment</p>	£3,996.40	Sport	<p>Funding requested towards costs of equipment to increase capacity for youth football club activity and engage and encourage more female members to address the current gender in-balance (currently 10% female participants)</p>	<p>Project meets ACCGS themes of bringing people together, increasing involvement and improving quality of life. The group states the aims of promoting social inclusion, community cohesion and positive social, emotional and life skills through support.</p> <p>There is recognition of the need to contribute to the health and wellbeing of young people in a rural community. This funding would allow the group to expand and help them to address participant gender gap.</p> <p><b>RECOMMEND APPROVAL £3,996.40</b></p>

Organisation	Amount Requested	Category	Summary	Decision
Strathmartine Community Council  Previous Applications  none	£1,126	Community	Funding requested towards the costs of a community shed for housing sand and sand bags for use during flooding events.  Permission from Strathmartine Primary School to locate shed within school grounds.	Building capacity, local community taking initiative to protect local homes, buildings and businesses.  Storage facility is required to ensure CC members can deliver a quick response in times of extreme wet weather.  Evidence of on-going communication and negotiation with Angus Council.  <b>RECOMMEND APPROVAL £1,126</b>

## 7. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

### 7.1 Angus Council Community Grant Scheme - 2016/17

The base provision for the Angus Council Community Grant Scheme contained within the 2016/17 revenue budget totals £58,000 comprising Communities - £7,000 and Other Services revenue budget - £51,000. Included in this amount from is a ring-fenced amount of £15,000 available for Innovation, Architecture and Design projects in support of the Scottish Government Focus Years programme as outlined in report 110/15.7.2. . There was a refund of £236 repaid by Montrose Playhouse Project (project ref 1415.003), bringing the total funding available for 2016/17 of £58,236.

- 7.2 A previous grant award of £3,420.00 for Mofest (project ref 1617.049) has been unsuccessful in receiving match funding and an updated request has been submitted for approval in this report. The original grant amount of £3,420.00 has been added to the Community Grant Scheme Budget for 2016/17. This would reduce the previously reported grant awards of £51,921.07 to £48,501.07.
- 7.3 The amount submitted for approval in this Report for 2016/17 totals £9,482.40, (£1,000.00 and £8,482.40), a total grant award for 2016/17 of £57,983.47.
- 7.4 The combined total of grants awards for 2016/17 is £57,983.47 leaving a total uncommitted balance of £252.53 available to fund grant applications for the remainder of 2016/17.

## **8. CONSULTATION**

The Strategic Directors of Children and Learning, Communities and Resources, the Head of Legal and Democratic Services and the Head of Corporate Improvement and Finance have been consulted in the preparation of this report.

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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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