

ANGUS COUNCIL**POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE – 29 NOVEMBER 2016****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 11 October 2016. It also seeks approval of grant applications of over £1,000 recommended for approval since 11 October 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 11 October 2016;
- (ii) Note the grant awards for 2016/17 to the Architecture, Innovation & Design Fund approved since 11 October 2016;
- (iii) Approve the grant applications of over £1,000 recommended for approval; and
- (iv) Note the remaining budget of £4,702.44 from the Architecture, Innovation and Design Fund will be moved back into the core budget of the Community Grant Scheme.

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 - £822.05 SUB TOTAL

Organisation	Amount Requested	Category	Summary	Decision
Kirrie Panto Group	£670.00 (as per declining grant rate policy for events ie 67% of year 1 event funding	Community	Funding requested towards costs of costume hire for 2016 Pantomime	Project actively encourages community participation, particularly for children and young people. Activities link to building capacity in local communities, developing participation, self esteem and confidence for children, young people and adults. Important to support these opportunities for
Previous applications				
ACCGS 2011-12 £2,310.00				
Equipment Costs				
ACCGS 2012-13 £668.00				
Printing Costs				

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ACCGS 2015-16 £1,000.00 Annual Pantomime (Event year 1)				communities to come together and to celebrate local talent. APPROVED £670.00 subject to group undertaking work to ensure the future sustainability of the event
Rotary Club of Monifieth & District Previous applications None *Monifieth Community Council received event year 1 funding of £460.76 in 2013/14 and event year 2 funding of £308.71 in 2014/15 for same event	£152.05 As per declining grant rate policy for events i.e. 33% of year 1 grant of £460.76	Community	Funding requested towards costs of community Christmas lights switch on event in Monifieth	Event will bring people together and increase participation in community projects. Following the recent charrette there is a real will in the community to bring people together to work on developing community spirit. APPROVED £152.05

5. **2016/17 FOCUS YEARS APPLICATIONS (ALL £1,000 OR LESS) - £1,615.25 SUB TOTAL**

Organisation	Amount Requested	Category	Summary	Decision
Friockhub Previous applications None	£1,000	Focus Years – Innovation, Architecture & Design	<p>Focus Years funding requested to design and build a reception desk for FriockHub by upcycling various items of historical and architectural interest from the existing building.</p> <p>The project will combine old design with new to create a spectacular piece of practical artwork for the community.</p> <p>This is just one element of a larger project which will see the refurbishment of a disused Victorian school building following successful Community Asset Transfer from Angus Council.</p>	<p>This is an innovative way of ensuring that some of the history and heritage of the original building are incorporated into the new community hub building, blending old materials with current design techniques. The Year of Innovation, Architecture and Design aims to highlight good architecture and design and this project aligns itself very well to this aim.</p> <p>The architects responsible for the redevelopment of the building have offered to design the desk at no extra cost, so the funds will cover the cost of building it, demonstrating good value for money.</p> <p>APPROVED £1,000</p>

Organisation	Amount Requested	Category	Summary	Decision
Angus Alive Previous applications None	£615.25	Focus Years – Innovation, Architecture & Design	<p>Funding requested towards costs of hosting an Augmented Reality Workshop.</p> <p>This workshop, delivered by the team behind Dragon Matrix, will encourage young people to engage with technology and event management principles which may affect their future career choices.</p> <p>The workshop will highlight the technologies and event management principles being used at Dragon Matrix.</p>	<p>Workshop aims to encourage S4, 5 and 6 pupils to engage more effectively with technology and event management, providing them with useful skills for the future.</p> <p>This is an excellent opportunity to learn from the Dragon Matrix team and will provide an opportunity to learn more about the events industry as well as the gaming/creative sector.</p> <p>APPROVE £615.25</p>

6. 2016/17 APPLICATIONS OF OVER £1,000 – £8645.00 SUB TOTAL

Organisation	Amount Requested	Category	Summary	Decision
Brechin Buccaneers Previous Applications ACCGS 2011-12 £5,000.00	£1,875.00	Community	<p>Funding towards costs of commissioning a technical study for redeveloping the former Guthrie Park Club House to create a new community facility in the East of Brechin.</p> <p>Completion of this phase will provide vital information required to approach funders for costs of the next phase physical project works to create the facility.</p>	<p>This is an enabling project for the development of a community facility which, if established, will fit well with priorities in relation to bringing people together, increasing involvement and improving quality of life. The proposed facility has the potential to contribute to wider Community Planning aspirations in relation to well-being, health and inequality.</p> <p>The need for a community facility at the East end of Brechin is widely recognised, to complement the facilities in the town centre and at the Community Campus.</p> <p>RECOMMEND APPROVAL £1,875.00</p>
DD8 Music ACCGS 2014-15 £5,000 Year 1 Event Costs Bonfest	£3,350.00 as per declining grant rate policy for events ie	Tourism	<p>Requesting funding towards upfront costs of expanding capacity for 2017 Bonfest music festival.</p>	<p>Fits well with all the themes of the ACCGS.</p> <p>Event successfully brings together people in the town across a wide range of</p>

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<p>ACCGS 2015-16 £1,000 Ballyshannon research Trip</p> <p>ACCGS 2015-16 Year 1 Event Costs Kirriemuir Traditional Music Festival £1,000</p> <p>ACCGS 2015-16 £310.00 Thistle Awards Ceremony</p>	67% of year 1 grant of £5,000		<p>After significantly increasing the size of the festival in 2016, organisers aim to build on this success in 2017, meeting demand by increasing event capacity for a further 1,500 attendees.</p>	<p>ages, and provides an activity that brings economic benefit to Kirriemuir and the wider Angus community.</p> <p>Economic impact study for the 2016 festival estimated that the festival generated an additional £403,843 for the local economy.</p> <p>RECOMMEND APPROVAL £3,350.00</p>
<p>Mofest</p> <p>Previous Applications</p> <p>ACCGS 2007-08 £2,000 Year 1 Event Costs Mofest</p> <p>ACCGS 14-15 £4534.94 Equipment</p> <p>ACCGS 15-16 £2937.00 Flooring & Signage for new premises</p> <p>ACCGS 2016-17 £1210.00 Year 2 Event Costs Mofest</p>	£3,420.00	Tourism	<p>New Event – Montrose Guitar Trail</p> <p>Funding requested towards costs of event programmes and Publicity to promote a public art event in celebration of MoFest's 10th Birthday.</p> <p>Event will see the creation of giant guitar sculptures decorated by local artists and school children and exhibited in various public locations in Montrose.</p> <p>The designs will take influence from, and celebrate, the cultural identity and heritage of Mofest and Montrose.</p> <p>Exhibition will run from 1 April to end June 2017</p>	<p>Mofest are a committed group of volunteers who have grown the Montrose Music Festival over 10 years. The event is now a significant addition to the annual Angus festivals programme and is eagerly anticipated by both residents and visitors.</p> <p>The Mofest committee aim to add value year on year to their activities and their current proposal for a Guitar Trail around the town of Montrose, to commemorate their 10th anniversary year should be supported.</p> <p>This project will not only encourage pride and support from the local Angus community but will help to raise the profile of the area to a wider audience, nationally and internationally, helping to showcase what Montrose has to offer.</p> <p>*Note that applicant has received £1210 ACCGS this financial year, and if approved, the amount requested in this application brings total ACCGS award for this financial year to £4630 – applicants can apply for up to £5000 in any financial year.</p> <p>RECOMMEND APPROVAL £3,420.00</p>

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 1 April 2016 until 31 March 2017 or until the funding is fully subscribed there 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.

- 7.2 A project underspend of £236.00 was repaid by Montrose Playhouse Project (project ref 1415.003) and has been added to the Community Grant Scheme budget for 2016/17.
- 7.3 The amount submitted for approval in this Report for 2016/17 totals £9,467.05, (£822.05 and £8,645.00). The amount recommended for approval in this report for ACCGS of £9,467.05 combined with other grant approvals in 2016/17 of £32,156.46 brings the total commitment in 2016/17 to £41,623.51.
- 7.4 The amount recommended for approval in this report of £1,615.25 for Architecture, Innovation and Design projects leaves a remaining balance of £4,702.44 for the rest of the year.
- 7.5 From 1 April 2016 until 31 March 2017 or until the funding is fully subscribed there is a ring-fenced amount of £15,000 available for Architecture, Innovation and Design projects in support of the Scottish Government Focus Years programme as outlined in report 171/16. Since 11 October £1,615.25 has been awarded to projects leaving a remaining £4,702.44 unreserved. Due to the demand for the Community Grant Scheme the remaining £4,702.44 unreserved funds from the Architecture, Innovation and Design budget has been moved back in to the core ACCGS budget.
- 7.6 The total amount submitted in this report for 2016/17 totals £11,082.30 (£822.05, £8,645.00 and £1,615.25).
- 7.7 The combined total of grants awards for 2016/17 equals £51,921.07, plus repaid monies of £236.00, leaving a total uncommitted balance of £6,314.93 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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