

ANGUS COUNCIL

POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE – 17 MARCH 2015

COMMON GOOD FUND – PROJECT APPROVAL

REPORT BY THE HEAD OF TECHNICAL AND PROPERTY SERVICES

ABSTRACT

This report seeks Committee approval for community based Forfar and Montrose Common Good funded projects.

1. RECOMMENDATIONS

1.1 It is recommended that the Committee:

- (i) approve the requested funding for projects from both Forfar (Strathmore Rugby Club) and Montrose (Montrose Tennis Club) Common Good Funds respectively as set out in this report, and;
- (ii) homologate the decision of the Convener of the Policy and Resources Committee and Head of Corporate Improvement and Finance to pay a grant to Forfar Small Bore Rifle Club from Forfar Common Good Fund, and;
- (iii) note the revised Forfar and Montrose Common Good Funds revenue fund balance as at 31 March 2015 which has been updated to reflect the contents of this report.

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

2.1 This report contributes to the following local outcome(s) contained within the Angus Community Plan and Single Outcome Agreement 2013-16:

- Angus is a good place to live in, work in and visit;
- Individuals are involved in their communities.

3. CURRENT POSITION

3.1 The Council approved its budget for 2014/15 in February 2014. The 2014/15 Final Budget Volume includes a final budget for each of the five Common Good Funds. The funds concerned are outlined below:

- Arbroath
- Brechin
- Forfar
- Kirriemuir
- Montrose

4. PROPOSALS

4.1 Three additional projects requesting funding; two from Forfar Common Good and one from Montrose Common Good have been submitted from external organisations. These projects have been considered and agreed with local elected members as part of the approval process. The projects are set out within this report for formal approval by this committee.

- 4.2 Details of the individual projects for which formal approval is sought are contained in Appendix 1 in this report. Please note there are no current additional funding requests for the Arbroath, Brechin, and Kirriemuir Common Good Funds. Further reports will be presented to Committee as and when necessary.

5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 A summary of the financial implications are outlined below:

Common Good Fund	Actual Revenue Balance as at 01/04/14 (£)	Estimated Outturn Revenue Balance as at 31/03/15 (£)	Additional 2014/15 Cost per this Report (£)	Estimated Outturn Revenue Balance as at 31/03/15 (£)	Estimated Outturn Revenue Balance as at 31/03/16 (£)	Minimum Revenue Account Balance (£)
FORFAR	800,375	811,104	22,000	789,104	510,701	300,000
MONTROSE	361,246	395,923	5,000	390,923	399,880	100,000

6. CONCLUSION

- 6.1 Additional funding requests has been received totalling £22,000 2014/15 from the Forfar Common Good Fund and £5,000 from the Montrose Common Good Fund

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	Strathmore Rugby Club
Client Department	Chief Executive – Economic Development (External Funding)
Value	£20,000
Description	Contribution towards clubhouse building extension for additional facilities
Status	Submission agreed with local members

Project Name 2	Forfar Small Bore Rifle Club
Client Department	Chief Executive – Economic Development (External Funding)
Value	£2,000
Description	Contribution toward additional lane and electronic recording equipment
Status	Submission agreed with local members. Due to the time lapsed since the original application was submitted and the Club seeking to purchase new equipment to meet increased demand as soon as possible, an advance grant payment of £2,000 was approved by the Head of Corporate Improvement & Finance and Convenor of the Policy & Resources Committee Grant on 09/02/2015.

Total additional funding request Forfar Common Good Fund 2014/15 - £22,000

MONTROSE COMMON GOOD FUND

Project Name 1	Montrose Tennis Club
Client Department	Chief Executive – Economic Development (External Funding)
Value	£5,000
Description	Contribution towards the costs of building two mini tennis courts.
Status	Submission agreed with local members

Total additional funding request Montrose Common Good Fund 2014/15 - £5,000
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