

ANGUS COUNCIL

POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE – 28 NOVEMBER 2017

COMMON GOOD FUNDS – PROJECT APPROVALS

REPORT BY THE HEAD OF TECHNICAL & PROPERTY SERVICES

ABSTRACT

This report seeks Committee approval for 2017/18 Common Good funded projects.

1. RECOMMENDATION

1.1 It is recommended that the Committee:

- (i) approve the requested funding for a 2017/18 project as detailed in **Appendix 1**.

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

2.1 This report contributes to the following local outcomes 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 administers the five individual Common Good funds:

- Arbroath
- Brechin
- Forfar
- Kirriemuir
- Montrose

3.2 As part of the budget cycle council services have the opportunity to submit bids for Common Good funds and this is particularly prevalent where the bids are for the maintenance of the Common Good asset for repairs and maintenance which is a liability on the Common Good funds. Other organisations may make bids for funding from Common Good funds in accordance with the application process and guidance notes.

3.3. The process for approval of Common Good fund bids is set out in the council's Financial Regulations.

4. PROPOSALS

4.1 Details of the individual projects for which formal approval is sought are contained in **Appendix 1** in this report.

4.2 Further reports will be presented to Committee, if further project approvals are sought during the financial year.

5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 A summary of the financial implications are outlined below if the Committee are minded to agree all the proposed projects. Financial implications may be reduced if not all projects are approved:

Common Good Fund	Actual Revenue Balance as at 01/04/17 (£)	Estimated Outturn Revenue Balance as at 31/03/18 (£)	Additional 2017/18 Cost per this Report (£)	Updated Estimated Outturn Revenue Balance as at 31/03/18 (£)	Minimum Revenue Account Balance (£)
Forfar	631,193	667,081	16,700	650,781	300,000

6. CONCLUSION

- 6.1 Funding requests has been received in 2017/18 as set out in **Appendix 1**

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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Appendices – APPENDIX 1 – Common Good Applications

FORFAR COMMON GOOD FUND

Project Name 1	Steel Park park equipment
Organisation	Glensview Community Group Viewmount Voices
Value	£12,500 one off
Description	Cost of zip wire
Status	.

Project Name	Gardener
Organisation	Forfar Open Gardens Scheme
Value	£3,800 pa for the next two years
Description	Additional cost of employing gardener (CGF currently funding £9,000pa for 3 years)
Status	.

Total funding requested Forfar Common Good Fund 2017/18 – £12,500 To be Confirmed once have Members' views
