

ANGUS COUNCIL

POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE – 30 APRIL 2019

COMMON GOOD FUNDS – PROJECT APPROVALS

REPORT BY THE DIRECTOR OF INFRASTRUCTURE

ABSTRACT

This report seeks Committee approval for 2019/20 Common Good funded projects.

1. RECOMMENDATIONS

1.1 It is recommended that the Committee:

- (i) approve the requested funding for various 2019/2020 projects from Arbroath, Brechin, Forfar and Montrose Common Good Funds as detailed in **Appendix 1**.

2. ALIGNMENT TO THE ANGUS LOCAL OUTCOMES IMPROVEMENT PLAN / CORPORATE PLAN

ECONOMY

1. An inclusive and sustainable economy
2. A skilled and adaptable workforce
3. Attractive employment opportunities

PEOPLE

4. The best start in life for children
5. More opportunities for people to achieve success
6. Improved physical, mental and emotional health and well-being

PLACE

7. Safe, secure, vibrant and sustainable communities
8. A reduced carbon footprint
9. An enhanced, protected and enjoyed natural and built environment

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. Relevant Members views were sought regarding the proposed projects.
- 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	Estimated Revenue Balance as at 01/04/19 (£)	Estimated Outturn Revenue Balance as at 31/03/20 (£)	Additional 2019/20 Cost per this Report (£)	Updated Estimated Outturn Revenue Balance as at 31/03/20 (£)	Minimum Revenue Account Balance (£)
Arbroath	389,114	410,214	2,700	407,514	300,000
Brechin	342,967	328,976	21,300	362,467	200,000
Forfar	549,875	633,775	19,000	614,775	300,000
Montrose	300,083	345,533	600	344,933	100,000

The Council's 2018/19 annual accounts process is currently ongoing; consequently, the 01/04/2019 revenue balance amount is an unaudited estimated figure, albeit it accounts for all known commitments at this time.

6. CONCLUSION

- 6.1 Funding requests has been received in 2019/20 totalling: £2,700 from the Arbroath Common Good Fund, £21,300 from the Brechin Common Good Fund, £19,000 from the Forfar Common Good Fund, and £600 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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ARBROATH COMMON GOOD FUND

Project Name 1	Provost Lamp
Organisation	Angus Council: Infrastructure
Value	£700 one off
Description	Painting of column
Status	Agreed by 6 ward members; 1 objected to costs

Project Name 2	The Webster Memorial Theatre
Organisation	Angus Council: Infrastructure
Value	£2,000 funding for next 3 years
Description	Gutter cleaning/maintenance
Status	Agreed by all ward members

Total funding requested Arbroath Common Good Fund 2019/20 – £2,700.
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BRECHIN COMMON GOOD FUND

Project Name 1	City Hall & 5 Swan Street
Organisation	Angus Council: Infrastructure
Value	£15,000
Description	External paint & repairs to rear of properties
Status	Agreed by 2 ward members

Project Name 2	Former Fire Station, Southesk Street
Organisation	Angus Council: Infrastructure
Value	£2,500
Description	External paint & repairs to property
Status	Agreed by 2 ward members

Project Name 3	Inch Park
Organisation	Angus Council: Infrastructure
Value	£3,800
Description	External paint pipe band hall and store; and upgrade external & internal lighting to pipe band hall
Status	Agreed by 2 ward members

Total funding requested Brechin Common Good Fund 2019/20 – £21,300.
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FORFAR COMMON GOOD FUND

Project Name 1	Shelter, Balmashanner Park
Organisation	Angus Council: Infrastructure
Value	£4,000
Description	Overlay perimeter path & repairs to concrete base
Status	Agreed by all ward members

Project Name 2	Old Parish Church Steeple
Organisation	Angus Council: Infrastructure
Value	£15,000
Description	Routine maintenance, external paint & repairs
Status	Agreed by all ward members

Total funding requested Forfar Common Good Fund 2019/20 – £19,000.

MONTROSE COMMON GOOD FUND

Project Name 1	Fountain, The Port, High Street
Organisation	Angus Council: Infrastructure
Value	£600
Description	Clean & re-letter
Status	Agreed by all ward members

Total funding requested Montrose Common Good Fund 2019/20 – £600.