

**ANGUS COUNCIL**

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**COMMON GOOD FUNDS – PROJECT APPROVALS**

**REPORT BY THE DIRECTOR OF INFRASTRUCTURE**

**ABSTRACT**

Further to Report179/19 presented to Policy and Resources Committee this report seeks Council approval for 2019/20 Common Good funded project deferred from that meeting

**1. RECOMMENDATIONS**

1.1 It is recommended that the Council:

- (i) approve the requested funding for the 2019/2020 project from Arbroath Common Good Funds as detailed in **Appendix 1**; and
- (ii) delegate to the Director of Finance authority to agree the terms of the grant and loan to the applicant approved under (i).

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

**ECONOMY**

- An inclusive and sustainable economy
- A skilled and adaptable workforce
- Attractive employment opportunities

**PEOPLE**

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

**PLACE**

- Safe, secure, vibrant and sustainable communities
- A reduced carbon footprint
- 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 and the responses are noted in Appendix 1.

#### 5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 A summary of the financial implications are outlined below if the Council 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	376,514	9,268	367,246	300,000

The "Additional 2019/20 cost per this report" in table above, assumes the provision of a £10,000 loan less an estimate of income receipt for six months of interest and principal of ten year loan repayments.

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 have been received in 2019/20 for £10,000 from the Arbroath Common Good Fund.

**NOTE:** The background papers, as defined by Section 50D of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 (other than any containing confidential or exempt information) which were relied on to any material extent in preparing the above report are:

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**ARBROATH COMMON GOOD FUND**

<b>Project Name 1</b>	<b>Cricket Pavilion</b>
Organisation	Arbroath United Cricket Club
Value	<b>£10,000</b> towards a £36,476 project.
Description	Conversion of building to provide female changing facilities and disabled access
Status	4 ward Members agreed to provide a £10,000 over 10 year loan; one Member supported £10,000 grant; two Members were unavailable to consider the proposal post P&R Committee and had previously agreed to £10,000 and £5,000.

<b>Total funding requested Arbroath Common Good Fund 2019/20 – £10,000 loan to be repaid over 10 years</b>
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