

## **ANGUS COUNCIL**

### **REVENUE & CAPITAL BUDGETS 2021/22**

**Special Angus Council – 4 March 2021**

### **SETTING OF 2021/22 COUNCIL TAX AND RELATED ISSUES**

#### **Amendment By Councillor Hands**

This Council resolves that:-

In relation to Revenue and Capital Budgets 2021/22 – Setting of the Council Tax Report (Report 75/21):-

- (i) Agree a one-off allocation of £200,000 in the 2021/22 revenue budget to address some of the inequities and additional harms highlighted by COVID-19 whilst at the same time building on the amazing community spirit the pandemic also generated throughout Angus during the last year. This will provide a fund for the purpose of facilitating and resourcing local communities across Angus to develop and deliver localised community resilience plans that can quickly respond to local conditions / emergencies including flooding, winter maintenance and improving local accessibility and health and wellbeing;
- (ii) Note that as this is revenue funding this will allow for both revenue and capital proposals to be supported including but not exclusively, more grit bins and local supplies of grit, salt spreaders, local snow-clearing provisions and defibrillators and cabinets etc. Once the local areas have developed resilience plans and identified any resource requirements, it is hoped that the items will be available before winter 2021/22;
- (iii) Agree that the Director of Infrastructure Services be delegated to determine the allocation of funds up to the value of £5,000 following consultation with Ward members. Any application larger than this will go to Policy & Resources Committee for approval, similar to Common Good Fund applications. Only constituted community groups could apply for funding using a, yet to be agreed, pre-determined set of criteria to rank projects.
- (iv) Agree that a report be brought to a future meeting of Policy & Resources Committee setting out the detail of how the fund would operate and the criteria for considering applications for approval by elected members.
- (v) Agree a one-off allocation of £300,000 in the 2021/22 revenue budget to support the work of the corporate parenting board to improve outcomes for Looked After and other disadvantaged children, to engage with education;

- (vi) Note that the above group of children and young people have had their education disrupted the most as a result of the pandemic.
- (vii) Agree that the total funding provision of £500,000 in relation to the above proposals is met from the Covid-19 Contingency Reserve, which per Appendix 2 (Annex A) of Report 75/21 is currently £2.057 million.