

**ANGUS COUNCIL**

**POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE – 7 DECEMBER 2021**

**COMMON GOOD FUNDS – PROJECT APPROVAL**

**REPORT BY THE DIRECTOR OF INFRASTRUCTURE**

**ABSTRACT**

This report seeks Committee approval for 2021/22 Common Good funded projects.

**1. RECOMMENDATIONS**

1.1 It is recommended that the Committee:

- (i) approve the requested funding for a 2021/2022 project from Arbroath, 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 project for which formal approval is sought is contained in **Appendix 1** in this report. Relevant Members views were sought regarding the proposed project and the responses are noted in Appendix 1.
- 4.2 Further reports will be presented to Committee, if further project approvals are sought during the financial year.

#### 5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 At the Council meeting on 24 June 2021, Report 214/21 set out the provisional revenue budget and estimated revenue balances for future financial years for each on the Common Good funds.
- 5.2 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:

<b>Common Good Fund</b>	<b>Unaudited Actual Revenue Balance as at 31/03/21 (£)</b>	<b>Estimated Outturn Revenue Balance as at 31/03/22 (£)</b>	<b>Additional 2021/22 Cost per this Report (£)</b>	<b>Updated Estimated Outturn Revenue Balance as at 31/03/22 (£)</b>	<b>Minimum Revenue Account Balance (£)</b>
<b>Arbroath</b>	500,552	472,487	20,000	452,487	300,000

#### 6. CONCLUSION

- 6.1 A funding request has been received for 2021/22 totalling £20,000 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:

- Report 214/21 - Common Good Funds Revenue Budget 2021/22 and Provisional Budgets 2022/23 to 2025/26 – Angus Council – 24 June 2021

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Appendix 1 - Project for Approval

**ARBROATH COMMON GOOD FUND**

<b>Project Name 1</b>	<b>Flood Study for Arbroath Golf Club</b>
Organisation	Angus Council
Value	<b>£20,000</b>
Description	Consultant's study and flood alleviation options for golf course (the golf course is Common Good Land)
Status	6 ward members indicated support for this proposal; 1 Member declared an interest

<b>Total funding requested Arbroath Common Good Fund 2021/22 – £20,000</b>
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