

**SPECIAL ANGUS COUNCIL**

**3 MARCH 2022**

**COMMON GOOD FUNDS – PROJECT APPROVAL**

**REPORT BY THE DIRECTOR OF INFRASTRUCTURE**

**ABSTRACT**

This report seeks Council approval for Common Good property maintenance and improvement projects in 2022/23 funded from the respective Common Good funds.

**1. RECOMMENDATIONS**

1.1 It is recommended that the Council:

- (i) approve the requested funding for 2022/2023 projects from Arbroath, Brechin 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 projects for which formal approval is sought is contained in **Appendix 1** in this report. Relevant Members views were sought regarding the proposed projects and the responses are noted in Appendix 1.
- 4.2 Further reports will be presented to Policy & Resources 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 Council are minded to agree all the proposed projects. Financial implications may be reduced if not all projects are approved:

Common Good Fund	Estimated Outturn Revenue Balance as at 31/03/23 (£)	Additional 2022/23 Cost per this Report (£)	Updated Estimated Outturn Revenue Balance as at 31/03/23 (£)	Minimum Revenue Account Balance (£)
Arbroath	485,504	11,000	474,504	300,000
Brechin	349,343	6,500	342,843	200,000
Montrose	377,464	62,500	314,964	100,000

#### 6. CONCLUSION

- 6.1 A funding request has been received for 2022/23 totalling £11,000 from the Arbroath Common Good Fund. £6,500 from Brechin Common Good and £62,500 from Montrose Common Good to maintain or improve the Common Good properties as set out in **Appendix 1**

**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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List of Appendices

Appendix 1 - Project for Approval

**ARBROATH COMMON GOOD FUND**

<b>Project Name 1</b>	<b>Old Kirk &amp; Steeple maintenance, Arbroath</b>
Organisation	Infrastructure Services
Value	£11,000
Description	External Paint & Repairs [Include Steel Hoppers to Leaded Windows] to steeple and old Kirk
Status	5 ward members indicated support for this proposal; 2 ward members did not respond.

<b>Total funding requested Arbroath Common Good Fund 2022/23 – £11,000</b>
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**BRECHIN COMMON GOOD FUND**

<b>Project Name 1</b>	<b>Kitchen at 11 Swan Street, Brechin</b>
Organisation	Infrastructure Services
Value	£5,000
Description	Provide a kitchen area in rental shop
Status	1 ward members indicated support for this proposal; 2 ward members did not respond

<b>Project Name 2</b>	<b>Repairs and Paint to 13 Swan Street, Brechin</b>
Organisation	Infrastructure Services
Value	£1,500
Description	Repair and repaint external elements of rental shop
Status	1 ward members indicated support for this proposal; 2 ward members did not respond

<b>Total funding requested Brechin Common Good Fund 2022/23 – £6,500</b>
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**MONTROSE COMMON GOOD FUND**

<b>Project Name 1</b>	<b>Steeple Clock maintenance, High Street, Montrose</b>
Organisation	Infrastructure Services
Value	£6,000
Description	Cleaning, Preparing & Painting to four clock faces on Montrose Steeple
Status	All 4 ward members indicated support for this proposal.

<b>Project Name 2</b>	<b>Town House Chimney, High Street, Montrose</b>
Organisation	Infrastructure Services
Value	£50,000
Description	Take down and rebuild chimney (Grade A Listed Building)
Status	All 4 ward members indicated support for this proposal.

<b>Project Name 3</b>	<b>Hope-Paton Bowling Club</b>
Organisation	Infrastructure Services
Value	£5,500
Description	External Paint & Repairs
Status	All 4 ward members indicated support for this proposal.

<b>Project Name 4</b>	<b>Hope-Paton Bowling Club</b>
Organisation	Infrastructure Services
Value	£1,000
Description	Upgrade Internal Lights to LED
Status	All 4 ward members indicated support for this proposal.

<b>Total funding requested Montrose Common Good Fund 2022/23 – £62,500</b>
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