PERTH COMMON GOOD FUND COMMITTEE

Minute of Meeting of the Perth Common Good Fund Committee held in the Council Chambers, Fourth Floor, Council Building, 2 High Street, Perth on Wednesday 19 December 2012 at 9.30am.

Present: Councillors B Band, P Barrett, D Doogan, J Flynn, C Gillies, A Grant, E Maclachlan, A MacLellan, I Miller, A Munro, A Stewart, H Stewart and W Wilson.

In Attendance: Councillors C Shiers (Arts. 663-665 only) and K Howie; B Renton, Depute Director (Environment); S Merone, D Calderwood, M Hill, M McCaskie, M Pennycook, K Leer, (all The Environment Service); J Symon, J Cockburn, L Robertson, C Flynn and Y Oliver (all Chief Executive's Service).

Apology for Absence: Councillor J Coburn.

657. APPOINTMENT OF ACTING CONVENER

In terms of Standing Order 23, in the absence of the Convener, Councillor Band was appointed to chair the meeting on a division as follows:

Motion (Councillors W Wilson and I Miller)

Councillor B Band be appointed as Acting Convener of Perth Common Good Fund Committee.

Amendment (Councillors A Stewart and H Stewart)

Councillor C Gillies be appointed as Acting Convener of Perth Common Good Fund Committee.

Amendment – 4 votes

Motion - 9 votes

Resolved:

In accordance with the Motion.

Councillor B Band, Acting Convener, Presiding.

658. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

In terms of the Councillors' Code of Conduct, Councillor W Wilson declared a non-financial interest in Art. 660(3) and Councillor A MacLellan declared a non-financial interest in Art. 660(5).

659. MINUTE OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The Minute of Meeting of the Perth Common Good Fund Committee of 3 October 2012 (Arts. 591-595) was submitted, approved as a correct record and authorised for signature.

660. APPLICATIONS FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

There was submitted a report by the Depute Director (Environment) (12/574) on applications received for financial assistance.

Resolved:

(1) Letham Old People's Club

Letham Old People's Club be awarded a grant of £665 towards the costs of their Christmas Party.

(2) Perth Academy Pupil

A Perth Academy Pupil be awarded a grant of £250 towards the costs of attending the Perth Academy World Challenge Expedition in Bolivia.

(3) Oakbank Community Association

Oakbank Community Association be awarded a grant of £1,404 towards the costs of installing CCTV on and around Oakbank Community Centre.

(4) Our Lady's Afternoon Club

Our Lady's Afternoon Club be awarded a grant of £175 towards the costs of their Christmas meal.

(5) J D Fergusson Arts Awards Trust

J D Fergusson Arts Awards Trust be awarded a grant of £2,000 towards the costs of the 'Travel' award, which allows an artist to experience various cultures and then provide a presentation on their experience at the Art Gallery.

(6) Perth City Club

Perth City Club be awarded a grant of £492 towards the costs of their Christmas dinner.

(7) North Perth Community School

North Perth Community School be awarded a grant of £1,225 towards the costs of a family club, subject to (i) a detailed breakdown of the expenditure incurred being submitted to the Perth Common Good Fund Committee; and (ii) an assurance that any outcomes would be fully integrated into the Dartington project.

(8) Young Person attending Scottish Ballet's Mid Associate Scheme
A Young Person residing in Perth be awarded a grant of £150 towards the costs of attending the Scottish Ballet's Mid Associate Scheme in Glasgow.

(9) Perth Academy Pupil

Perth Academy be awarded a grant of £239 for one pupil towards the costs of the S1 trip to France.

(10) Young person attending Perth Youth Orchestra Anniversary Concert

A Young Person be awarded a grant of £100 towards the costs of attending Perth Youth Orchestra 50th Anniversary Concert Tour in Italy.

(11) Perth and Kinross Council Housing and Community Care (Rannoch Road Day Centre)

Rannoch Road Day Centre (Perth and Kinross Council Housing and Community Care) be awarded a grant of £6,257 towards the costs of garden structures.

(12) Perth and Kinross Association of Voluntary Service Ltd

The Day Carers Services part of the Perth and Kinross Association of Voluntary Service Ltd be awarded a grant of £560 towards the costs of the Perth Day Club Christmas dinner.

(13) Young Person volunteering in Guyana

A young person residing in Perth be awarded a grant of £400 towards the costs of volunteering in Guyana via the Project Trust.

661. FINANCIAL STATEMENT

There was submitted and noted a report by the Head of Finance (12/575) detailing (i) the income received and expenditure incurred on the Perth Common Good Fund for the period to 30 November 2012; and (ii) projected outturn to 31 March 2013.

IT WAS RECOMMENDED THAT THE PUBLIC AND PRESS SHOULD BE EXCLUDED DURING CONSIDERATION OF THE FOLLOWING ITEMS IN ORDER TO AVOID THE DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION WHCH IS EXEMPT IN TERMS OF SCHEDULE 7A TO THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (SCOTLAND) ACT 1973

662. RELAY STATION, KINNOULL HILL, PERTH

Members were advised that Report 12/576 had been withdrawn from the agenda.

663. KING JAMES VI GOLF COURSE, MONCRIEFFE ISLAND, PERTH

There was submitted a report by the Depute Director (Environment) (12/577) recommending approval of:

- (i) the expenditure of £6,000 to carry out feasibility studies with respect to possible improvements
 - (a) to the causeway providing vehicular access to the King James VI Golf Course from Dundee Road; and
 - (b) of lighting to the access path and railway footbridge giving pedestrian access to the Golf Course; and
- (ii) the lease of the Golf Course to King James VI Golf Club on revised terms, as detailed in Report 12/577.

Motion (Councillors A MacLellan and I Miller)

That the Perth Common Good Fund Committee:

- (i) Agree that the duration of the lease of the King James VI Golf Course, Moncrieffe Island, Perth to the King James VI Golf Club be altered from 40 years to 20 years with an option to extend the lease for a further 20 years and note that agreement has been reached on all the other terms and conditions of the new lease;
- (ii) Approve the provisional agreement reached by officers of the Council with King James VI Golf Club to carry out a feasibility study with respect to the causeway which provides vehicular access to the Golf Course from Dundee Road, thereby endeavouring to identify immediate and long term solutions for the improvement of the causeway;
- (iii) Note that the cost of this feasibility study will be approximately in the region of £5,000;
- (iv) Approve the expenditure of £1,000 to investigate improvements to lighting on the access path and railway footbridge which provide pedestrian access to the Golf Course, as per the resolution of the Perth

Common Good Fund Committee of 28 September 2011 to authorise the Head of Planning and Regeneration to carry out these investigations (Art. 11/539 refers);

(v) Instruct the Depute Director (Environment) to report back to the Perth Common Good Fund Committee on the outcome of the feasibility studies in due course.

Amendment (Councillors P Barrett and H Stewart)

Consideration of the expenditure of £6,000 to carry out feasibility studies with respect to possible improvements, as detailed in Report 12/577, be deferred for the purposes of seeking financial contributions from the King James VI Golf Club and the Allotment Users Association.

Amendment – 5 votes

Motion – 8 votes

Resolved:

In accordance with the Motion.

664. 0.0939 HA FRIARTON ROAD, PERTH – RENT REVIEW

There was submitted a report by the Depute Director (Environment) (12/578) seeking approval for a rent review in respect of a site at Friarton Road, Perth.

Resolved:

The rent review of the site extending to 0.0939 hectares at Friarton Road, Perth, be approved, the site being leased to the named individuals in Report 12/578 at the revised rent per annum, as detailed in the report.

665. SHOP AT 2-4 NORTH METHVEN STREET, PERTH – EXTENSION OF LEASE

There was submitted a report by the Depute Director (Environment) (12/579) seeking approval for a lease extension in respect of shop premises at 2-4 North Methven Street, Perth.

Resolved:

The extension of lease of shop premises at 2-4 North Methven Street, currently leased to the named individuals in Report 12/579, be approved, as detailed in the report.

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