

PERTH COMMON GOOD FUND COMMITTEE

Minute of meeting of the Perth Common Good Fund Committee held in the Gannochy Suite, First Floor, Dewars Centre, Glover Street, Perth on Wednesday 16 December 2015 at 9.30am.

Present: Councillors A Munro, B Band, P Barrett, D Doogan (from and including Art. 811(10)), J Flynn, C Gillies, A Grant, E Maclachlan, A MacLellan, I Miller, A Parrott, A Stewart, H Stewart and W Wilson.

In Attendance: D Littlejohn and A Strang (both the Environment Service); D Coyne, C Flynn, H Rheinallt, N West and L Whitford (all Corporate and Democratic Services).

Councillor A Munro, Convener, Presiding.

807. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES

Councillor Munro welcomed all present to the meeting.

808. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor A Stewart declared a non-financial interest in Art. 811(3), Friends of Stepping Stone Theatre Company, in terms of the Councillors' Code of Conduct.

Councillor E Maclachlan declared a non-financial interest in Art. 811(19), PLUS Perth & Kinross, in terms of the Councillors' Code of Conduct.

Councillor H Stewart declared a non-financial interest in Art. 811(2), Live Active Leisure, in terms of the Councillors' Code of Conduct.

809. MINUTE OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minute of meeting of the Perth Common Good Fund Committee of 7 October 2015 (Arts. 611-617) was submitted, approved as a correct record and authorised for signature.

810. MATTERS ARISING

There were no matters arising.

811. APPLICATIONS FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

There was submitted a report by the Director (Environment) (15/586), on applications received for financial assistance.

Resolved:

(1) Perth Academy Pupil

Perth Academy Pupil be awarded a grant of £100 towards the cost of the school Geography trip to Italy in June 2016.

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(2) Perth Film Society

Perth Film Society be awarded a grant of £200 towards the cost of hire at the Concert Hall for their 2015/16 season.

(3) Friends of Stepping Stone Theatre Company

Friends of Stepping Stone Theatre Company be awarded £150 towards the cost of their trip to Pitlochry Festival Theatre on 24 September 2015.

(4) Kids of Letham Association

Kids of Letham Association be awarded a grant of £225 towards the cost of attending a Christmas Pantomime.

(5) Fair City Junior Football Club

Fair City Junior Football Club be awarded a grant of £800 towards the cost of installing a Defibrillator Secure Cabinet at their home ground at Huntingtower Park.

(6) Perth Grammar School

Perth Grammar School be awarded a grant of £1,500 (£300 for each pupil) towards the cost of sending 5 pupils on the Barcelona/Catalan Experience Trip in June 2016.

(7) Letham Old People's Club

Letham Old People's Club be awarded a grant of £420 towards the costs of their Christmas lunch for 70 people.

(8) St John's RC Academy Pupil

St John's RC Academy Pupil be awarded a grant of £100 towards the cost of volunteering in Romania from 10-18 October 2015.

(9) Perth Academy Pupil 1

Perth Academy Pupil be awarded a grant of £250 towards the cost of participating in the Perth Academy World Challenge expedition to India (Himalaya) and Rajasthan for 4 weeks, which includes voluntary work in a local village.

COUNCILLOR DOOGAN ENTERED THE MEETING AT THIS POINT

(10) Perth City Club

Perth City Club be awarded a grant of £315 towards the cost of their Christmas lunch for 45 people.

(11) Perth Academy Pupil 2

Perth Academy Pupil be awarded a grant of £250 towards the cost of participating in the Perth Academy World Challenge expedition to India (Himalaya) and Rajasthan for 4 weeks, which includes voluntary work in a local village.

(12) Fairfield Lunch Club

Fairfield Lunch Club be awarded a grant of £223 towards the cost of their Christmas lunch for 45 people.

(13) St Leonard's in the Field Church

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St Leonard's in the Field Church be awarded a grant of £5,000 towards the cost of their roof refurbishment project which will take place between November 2015 and June 2016, subject to all other funding streams being approved.

(14) Headway Perth and Kinross

Headway Perth and Kinross be awarded a grant of £348 towards the cost of their annual Christmas Pantomime and Dinner Outing.

(15) Errol Curling Club

Errol Curling Club be awarded a grant of £1,000 towards the cost of hosting the Welcome the World Seniors Curling event at the Dewars Centre in Perth from 18-24 September 2016.

(16) Scottish Orchestras

Scottish Orchestras be awarded a grant of £9,500 towards the cost of venue hire of Perth Concert Hall for six concerts from October 2015 to April 2016.

(17) Dalreoch Friendship Club

Dalreoch Friendship Club be awarded a grant of £84 towards the cost of their Christmas lunch.

(18) Perth Student

Perth Student be awarded a grant of £250 towards the cost of participating in a six-week medical research project in Mulanje, Malawi to study gaps in antenatal healthcare.

(19) PLUS Perth and Kinross

PLUS Perth and Kinross be awarded a grant of £245 towards the cost of their members' Christmas Party.

(20) Live Active Leisure Ltd

Live Active Leisure Ltd be awarded a grant of £10,000 towards the cost of their No Limits Cycling Project.

(21) Hope Pregnancy Crisis Centre

Hope Pregnancy Crisis Centre be refused a grant towards the cost of delivering a programme of lessons to schools (S1 to S6) as the proposed activities duplicate activities currently provided.

812. 2015/16 FINANCIAL STATEMENT

There was submitted a joint report by the Head of Finance and Director (Environment) (15/587), detailing the Income and Expenditure to 20 November 2015 and the projected outturn to 31 March 2016 for the Perth Common Good Fund.

Resolved:

- (i) The Perth Common Good Fund Income and Expenditure to 20 November 2015 and the projected outturn to 31 March 2016, be noted.
- (ii) The Head of Finance and Director (Environment) be requested to submit options for the budget for financial year 2016/17 to the next meeting of the Perth Common Good Fund Committee on 24 February 2016.

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

813. SITE (0.1478 HA) HARBOUR ROAD, PERTH EXTENSION OF LEASE

There was submitted a report by the Director (Environment) (15/588), seeking approval from the Committee to extend the lease of a site at Harbour Road, Perth.

Resolved:

The extension of the lease of the 0.1478 HA site located at Harbour Road, Perth be approved in accordance with the provisional agreement set out in Report 15/588.

814. ASSIGNATION OF 0.63 HECTARES OF INDUSTRIAL LAND CURRENTLY HELD ON A GROUND LEASE AT SHORE ROAD, PERTH

There was submitted a report by the Director (Environment) (15/589), asking the Committee to approve to granting an assignation of a ground lease of 0.63 hectares of land situated at Shore Road, Perth.

Resolved:

- (i) The assignation from Holden Environmental Ltd to Mr Allan MacGregor on terms to the satisfaction of the Head of Planning and Development and the Head of Legal Services, be approved.
- (ii) The subletting of the head lease from Allan MacGregor to Binn Skips Ltd on terms to the satisfaction of the Head of Planning and Development and the Head of Legal Services, be approved.

815. SHOP – 2 NORTH PORT, PERTH EXTENSION OF LEASE

There was submitted a report by the Director (Environment) (15/590) seeking approval to extend the lease of a shop at North Port, Perth, be approved.

Resolved:

- (i) The extension of the lease of the shop at North Port, Perth in accordance with the provisional terms set out in Report 15/590, be approved.
- (ii) The Director (Environment) be requested to submit a report on Perth Common Good properties, concerning any assistive steps taken with commercial properties and any rent freezes which had occurred, to a future meeting of the Perth Common Good Fund Committee.

816. TAY RAILWAY VIADUCT STEPS REPLACEMENT

There was submitted a report by the Director (Environment) (15/591), (1) summarising the current dilapidated condition of steps access from the Tay Railway Viaduct pedestrian walkway to Moncrieffe Island, and (2) advising the Perth Common Good Fund Committee of options to replace the steps.

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Motion (Councillors W Wilson and P Barrett) – Defer consideration of options for the replacement of the steps access from the Tay Railway Viaduct pedestrian walkway to Moncrieffe Island, in order to: (i) investigate a design and build direct replacement for the steps; (ii) contact the lessees of Moncrieffe Island regarding the possibility of temporary closure of access; and (iii) contact the lessees to request them to investigate any options for external funding.

Amendment (Councillors C Gillies and A Parrott) – (i) Approve the adoption of Option A at a maximum cost of £150,000, to be funded from Perth Common Good Fund from 2016/17 funding; and (ii) authorise the Head of Environmental and Consumer Services to appoint consultants to design the replacement steps and procure the required works.

In accordance with Standing Order 44, a roll call vote was taken.

12 members voted for the Motion as follows:

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

2 members voted for the Amendment as follows:

Councillors C Gillies and A Parrott.

Motion – 12 votes

Amendment – 2 votes

Resolved:

In accordance with the Motion.

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