

PERTH COMMON GOOD FUND COMMITTEE

Minute of meeting of the Perth Common Good Fund Committee held in the Assembly Hall, Loch Leven Community Campus, The Muirs, Kinross on Wednesday 4 October 2017 at 11.00am.

Present: Councillors B Band, C Ahern, P Barrett, I Campbell, H Coates, D Doogan, E Drysdale, S McCole, A Parrott, J Rebbeck and C Shiers.

In Attendance: Councillors S Donaldson, G Laing and T Gray; D Davidson, S Merone, D Davidson and W Young (all The Environment Service); D Coyne, S Hendry, J Salisbury, A Taylor, A Brown, C Bannister and K Barron (all Corporate and Democratic Service).

Apology for Absence: Councillor W Wilson.

Councillor B Band, Convener, Presiding.

536. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES

Councillor Band welcomed all present to the meeting and an apology for absence was noted as above.

537. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor B Band declared a non-financial interest in Art. 539(2), Councillor S McCole declared a non-financial interest in Art. 539(2), Councillor A Parrott declared a non-financial interest in Art. 539(12) and Councillor J Rebbeck declared a non-financial interest in Art. 539(6).

538. MINUTE OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minute of meeting of the Perth Common Good Fund Committee of 28 June 2017 (Arts. 381-385) was submitted, approved as a correct record and authorised for signature.

539. APPLICATIONS FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

There was submitted a report by the Director (Environment) (17/324) asking the Committee to consider twelve applications for financial assistance.

Resolved:

(1) Perth YMCA

Perth YMCA be awarded a grant of £2,000 towards the costs of the Perth Alive 2017 event.

COUNCILLOR B BAND LEFT THE MEETING AT THIS POINT.

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540. APPOINTMENT OF ACTING CONVENER

In terms of Standing Order 23, in the absence of the Convener, Councillor D Doogan was unanimously appointed to chair the meeting.

Councillor D Doogan, Acting Convener, Presiding.
(Art. 539(2) only)

(2) South Perth Community Partnership

- (i) South Perth Community Partnership be awarded a grant of £400 towards the costs of a fun day which offered activities for children and families on 16 September 2017.
- (ii) South Perth Community Partnership be awarded a grant of £1,440 towards the costs of the Christmas lights which will be switched on at Craigie Cross on 7 December 2017.

COUNCILLOR BAND RETURNED TO THE MEETING AT THIS POINT AND RESUMED THE ROLE OF CONVENER.

(3) Moncreiffe Tea Dancers

Moncreiffe Tea Dancers be awarded a grant of £480 towards the costs of their annual programme of events.

(4) Tulloch Primary School Parent Council

Tulloch Primary School Parent Council be awarded a grant of £475 towards the costs of attending a school pantomime event on 29 November 2017.

(5) Music in Hospitals

Music in Hospitals be awarded a grant of £1,060 towards the costs of high quality live music in care units.

(6) Scottish Orchestras

Scottish Chamber Orchestra be awarded a grant of £9,500 towards the costs of Scottish Orchestra's Perth Concert series and creative learning sessions.

(7) Southbank Centre

Motion (Councillors P Barrett and C Ahern) – Award a grant of £8,000 towards the costs of the WOW (Women of the World) Festival Perth scheduled to take place between 27 and 29 October 2017.

Amendment (Councillors A Parrott and E Drysdale) – Award a grant of £4,000 towards the costs of the WOW (Women of the World) Festival Perth scheduled to take place between 27 and 29 October 2017.

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

3 members voted for the Motion as follows:
Councillors C Ahern, P Barrett and H Coates.

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7 members voted for the Amendment as follows:

Councillors B Band, I Campbell, D Doogan, E Drysdale, S McCole, A Parrott and C Shiers.

1 member abstained as follows:

Councillor J Rebbeck.

Amendment – 7 votes

Motion – 3 votes

Resolved:

In accordance with the Amendment.

(8) Jar of Jewels

Jar of Jewels be awarded a grant of £1,200 towards the cost of two multicultural events between September 2017 and April 2018.

(9) Wednesday Tea Dance Group

Wednesday Tea Dance Group be awarded a grant of £315 towards the costs of their New Year party on 17 January 2018.

(10) Headway Perth and Kinross

Headway Perth and Kinross be awarded a grant of £329 towards the costs of their summer outing to Blair Drummond Safari Park which took place on 19 August 2017.

(11) Phoenix Allstars Cheerleading

Phoenix Allstars Cheerleading be awarded a grant of £875 towards the costs of new equipment and unit improvement.

(12) Perth and Kinross Credit Union

Perth and Kinross Credit Union be awarded a grant of £756 towards the costs of upgrading IT facilities to provide new ways of accessing services through mobile/tablet applications and online loan application services.

541. BONFIRE AND FIREWORKS DISPLAY EVENT 5 NOVEMBER 2017

There was submitted a report by the Director (Environment) (17/325) providing details of the Bonfire and Fireworks event on 5 November 2017 to be organised by the Perth & Strathearn 200 Roundtable and how the funding would be used.

Resolved:

The outline programme, funded by a previous Committee grant of £15,000 to Perth and Strathearn Round Table to pay for the pyrotechnic fireworks display, be approved.

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542. PERTH CHRISTMAS LIGHTS FESTIVAL

There was submitted a report by the Director (Environment) (17/326) noting the activities for the Christmas Lights event on Saturday 18 November 2017 which was part of the overall Perth Winter Festival programme and providing a breakdown of costs which would be funded from the approved Christmas Events budget.

Resolved:

The current budget provision for 2017/18 in respect of the Christmas Lights Switch On programme for Saturday 18 November 2017, and the expenditure outlined in Report 17/326, be noted.

543. 2017/18 FINANCIAL STATEMENT

There was submitted a Joint Report by Head of Finance and Director (Environment) (17/327) detailing the Income and Expenditure to 31 August 2017 and the projected outturn to 31 March 2018.

Resolved:

- (i) The Income and Expenditure to 31 August 2017 and the projected outturn to 31 March 2018, be noted.
- (ii) The uncommitted Financial Assistance budget for the remainder of the Financial Year 2017/18 be noted.
- (iii) The proposals for the funding of the Tay Railway Viaduct project, as outlined in paragraph 2.5 of Report 17/327, be approved.

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

544. SITE (0.63HA) SHORE ROAD, PERTH – LEASE VARIATION TO APPROVE ALTERATION WORKS AND CHANGE OF USE OF UNUSED BUILDING ON SITE

There was submitted a report by the Director (Environment) (17/328) seeking approval to vary the terms of the ground lease of the site on Short Road to permit the tenant to carry out alteration works to the unused building on the site and allow a change of use.

Resolved:

Consent be given to allow the variation of the terms of the ground lease to permit alterations to the vacant building on the site and a change of use to allow wholesale and retail sale of decorating materials, subject to the tenant obtaining all the formal consents required as per the terms of the ground lease.

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545. KING JAMES VI GOLF CLUB, MONCREIFFE ISLAND, PERTH – RENT REDUCTION

There was submitted a report by the Director (Environment) (17/329) seeking approval of the proposed rent reduction for one year only to the current rent.

Resolved:

The one-off proposed rent reduction for one year only, as detailed in Report 17/329, be applied in November 2017.

546. TAY RAILWAY VIADUCT STEPS: REPLACEMENT – CONTRACTOR AWARD

There was submitted a report by the Director (Environment) (17/330) (1) summarising the current status with regard to the procurement and funding of replacement steps to the Tay Railway Viaduct; and (2) recommending that officers be instructed to award a Design and Build Contract for the replacement steps.

Motion (Councillors D Doogan and S McCole) – Consideration be deferred to enable a Working Group to be established with Committee Members and relevant Council officers to further examine options for procurement and funding.

Amendment (Councillors P Barrett and C Ahern)

- (i) **Funding be allocated as detailed in Report 17/329.**
- (ii) **Officers be instructed to award the contract to replace the steps to the named company in Report 17/330.**

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

4 members voted for the Motion as follows:

Councillors D Doogan, E Drysdale, S McCole and J Rebbeck.

7 members voted for the Amendment as follows:

Councillors C Ahern, B Band, P Barrett, I Campbell, H Coates, A Parrott and C Shiers.

Resolved:

In accordance with the Amendment.

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