

BLAIRGOWRIE COMMON GOOD FUND COMMITTEE

20 June 2018

2017/18 & 2018/19 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Report by Head of Finance (Report No. 18/208)

PURPOSE OF REPORT

This report provides an update on 2017/18 unaudited Income and Expenditure, and details the Income and Expenditure to 25 May 2018 and the projected outturn to 31 March 2019 for the Blairgowrie Common Good Fund.

1. BACKGROUND / MAIN ISSUES

- 1.1 The Blairgowrie Common Good Fund does not benefit from regular rental income and it is therefore inappropriate to approve a Financial Assistance budget for the Fund. The Committee instead consider requests for funding assistance on the basis of the community benefit which will be provided for the inhabitants of the former burgh. This report provides an update on the unaudited final outturn for 2017/18 and the monitoring position and projected outturn for the Financial Year 2018/19.

2. PROPOSALS

2.1 Financial Statement 2017/18

Report 17/335 considered by Committee on 4 October 2017 included year-end projections for Income and Expenditure to 31 March 2018. Following closure of the 2017/18 accounts, which remain subject to audit by KPMG, the surplus has increased to £379 due to an increase in the interest received during the year. Appendix 1 provides details of the Income and Expenditure for the year and the final Revenue Account Balance of £21,371 at 31 March 2018.

2.2 Financial Statement 2018/19

On the basis of Appendix 2, it is anticipated that a surplus of £300 will be generated in 2018/19 and that the Fund's estimated Revenue Account Balance will be £21,671 at 31 March 2019.

- 2.3 The Financial Assistance report to be considered at this meeting includes one application for funding, and the value of the funding award is to be determined by the Committee. The projected Total Fund Balance assumes that approved funding will be contained within the estimated level of income for 2018/19. In the event that the committee approves funding in excess of the income, an option open to the committee, the estimated Revenue Account Balance at 31 March 2019 will reduce accordingly.

3. CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS

3.1 The Committee is requested to:-

- (i) Note the Blairgowrie Common Good Fund unaudited Income and Expenditure to 31 March 2018 as set out in Appendix 1 to the report.
- (ii) Note the Blairgowrie Common Good Fund Income and Expenditure to 25 May 2018 and the projected outturn to 31 March 2019 for Financial Year 2018/19 as set out in Appendix 2 to the report.

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1. IMPLICATIONS, ASSESSMENTS, CONSULTATION AND COMMUNICATION

Strategic Implications	Yes / None
Community Plan / Single Outcome Agreement	None
Corporate Plan	Yes
Resource Implications	
Financial	Yes
Workforce	None
Asset Management (land, property, IST)	None
Assessments	
Equality Impact Assessment	Yes
Strategic Environmental Assessment	Yes
Sustainability (community, economic, environmental)	Yes
Legal and Governance	None
Risk	None
Consultation	
Internal	Yes
External	None
Communication	
Communications Plan	None

1. Strategic Implications

1.1 Corporate Plan

1.1.1 The Council's Corporate Plan 2013 – 2018 lays out five outcome focussed strategic objectives which provide clear strategic direction, inform decisions at a corporate and service level and shape resources allocation. They are as follows:

- (i) Giving every child the best start in life;
- (ii) Developing educated, responsible and informed citizens;
- (iii) Promoting a prosperous, inclusive and sustainable economy;
- (iv) Supporting people to lead independent, healthy and active lives; and
- (v) Creating a safe and sustainable place for future generations.

1.1.2 This report relates to all objectives.

2. Resource Implications

2.1 Financial

2.1.1 There are no direct financial implications arising from this report other than those reported within the body of the main report.

3. Assessments

3.1 Equality Impact Assessment

- 3.1.1 Under the Equality Act 2010, the Council is required to eliminate discrimination, advance equality of opportunity, and foster good relations between equality groups. Carrying out Equality Impact Assessments for plans and policies allows the Council to demonstrate that it is meeting these duties.
- 3.1.2 The information contained within this report has been considered under the Corporate Equalities Impact Assessment process (EqIA) and has been assessed as **not relevant** for the purposes of EqIA.

3.2 Strategic Environmental Assessment

- 3.2.1 The Environmental Assessment (Scotland) Act 2005 places a duty on the Council to identify and assess the environmental consequences of its proposals.
- 3.2.2 The information contained within this report has been considered under the Act. However, no action is required as the Act does not apply to the matters presented in this report.

3.3 Sustainability

- 3.3.1 Under the provisions of the Local Government in Scotland Act 2003 the Council has to discharge its duties in a way which contributes to the achievement of sustainable development. In terms of the Climate Change Act, the Council has a general duty to demonstrate its commitment to sustainability and the community, environmental and economic impacts of its actions.
- 3.3.2 The information contained within this report has been considered under the Act. However, no action is required as the Act does not apply to the matters presented in this report.

4. Consultation

4.1 Internal

- 4.1.1 The Depute Chief Executive/Chief Operating Officer has been consulted in the preparation of this report.

5. BACKGROUND PAPERS

- 5.1 No background papers, as defined by Section 50D of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 (other than any containing confidential or exempt information) were relied on to any material extent in preparing the above report.

6. APPENDICES

Appendix 1 – Unaudited Blairgowrie Common Good Fund Financial Statement for Financial Year 2017/18.

Appendix 2 - Blairgowrie Common Good Fund Financial Statement for the period to 25 May 2018 for Financial Year 2018/19.