

# **PERTH AND KINROSS COUNCIL**

## **Crieff Common Good Fund Committee**

**18 September 2023**

### **APPLICATIONS FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE**

**Report by Head of Cultural and Community Services  
(Report No. 23/252)**

#### **1. PURPOSE**

- 1.1 The report asks Crieff Common Good Fund Committee to consider one grant application.

#### **2. RECOMMENDATION**

- 2.1 It is recommended that Committee:
- consider the grant application and agree any financial assistance to be awarded.

#### **3. STRUCTURE OF REPORT**

- 3.1 This report is structured over the following sections:
- Section 4: Background / Main Issues
  - Section 5: Proposals: Small Grants
  - Section 7: Conclusion

#### **4. BACKGROUND / MAIN ISSUES**

- 4.1 Perth and Kinross Council owns land and property which forms part of the Common Good of the former burghs in Perth and Kinross and has a statutory duty in terms of section 15 of the Local Government etc. (Scotland) Act 1994 to administer this land and property "having regard to the interests of the inhabitants" of those former burghs. This duty also applies to the administration of the associated Common Good Funds.
- 4.2 The Common Good Funds have traditionally demonstrated their support to local residents and organisations by distributing grants. These grant awards allow individuals and local organisations to carry out a wide range of community-based activities.
- 4.3 Applications to Common Good Funds vary across the different former burghs of Perth and Kinross. This report is for the Crieff Common Good Fund.
- 4.4 The proposed 2023/24 Budget for the Crieff Common Good Fund is included within the 2022/23 & 2023/24 Financial Statement report which will be

considered at this meeting. A summary of the approved Financial Assistance budget, committed grant funding, and the budget remaining, is provided below:

<b>2023/24 proposed Financial Assistance Budget</b>	£1,500
<b>Value of grants paid and committed</b> Small Grants	£0
<b>Remaining Financial Assistance Budget</b>	£1,500
<b>Value of funding requested and under consideration</b>	£500

## 5. PROPOSALS – SMALL GRANTS

### **Crieff at Christmas Light Switch On**

- 5.1 A grant of £500 has been requested from Crieff at Christmas. The grant will help with costs of running a light switch-on event by the group. At the event, the group aim to have a main attraction; a magician; choral singers; brass and pipe bands and a visit from Santa. The event should be an enjoyable, fun-filled day for people of all ages. There is no fee charged, so all can participate, with organisers anticipating that local businesses will benefit from an increase in footfall in the town.
- 5.2 It is estimated that 280 people from the Common Good Area will benefit from the event, along with 60 people from elsewhere in Perth & Kinross and 40 people from outside Perth & Kinross. These numbers are based on turnout and observations at previous events. The success of the event will be measured by feedback provided directly or through social media platforms.
- 5.3 The project's total cost is estimated at £1,500, of which £1,000 is already secured by contributions from the group. A full breakdown of the costs has been provided below. The group have not received any Common Good funding over the last three years.

<b>Specific items (Estimates unless specified)</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Entertainment for Children – Juggler/Face Painter	£350
Musical Entertainment – Brass Band/Pipe Band	£200
Santa Hire (Awaiting quote)	£500
Gifts for Children	£250
Local Band (Hire Cost)	£200
<b>Total proposed expenditure</b>	<b>£1,500</b>
Contribution from the group	£1,000
<b>Funding requested</b>	<b>£500</b>

## 6. CONSIDERATION AND CONCLUSION

- 6.1 The Committee is asked to consider the application for funding and agree any financial assistance to be awarded.

### Authors

Name	Designation	Contact Details
Jacob Dudgeon	Community Planning & Projects Officer	(01738) 475000 <a href="mailto:ComCommitteeReports@pkc.gov.uk">ComCommitteeReports@pkc.gov.uk</a>
Lee Haxton	Community Planning Team Leader	

### Approved

Name	Designation	Date
Barbara Renton	Executive Director (Communities)	30 August 2023

If you or someone you know would like a copy of this document in another language or format, (on occasion, only a summary of the document will be provided in translation), this can be arranged by contacting the Customer Service Centre on 01738 475000.

You can also send us a text message on 07824 498145.

All Council Services can offer a telephone translation facility.

## 1. IMPLICATIONS, ASSESSMENTS, CONSULTATION, AND COMMUNICATION

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

### 1. Strategic Implications

#### Community Plan

- 1.1 The proposals will contribute to the Community Plan's aim of safe, healthy and inclusive communities and the outcome of communities will have improved quality of life. The recommendations contained within this report are in accordance with the priorities of Perth Common Good Fund's criteria for financial assistance.

#### Corporate Plan

- 1.2 The proposals will contribute to the Corporate Plan's objectives of developing educated, responsible and informed citizens and the outcome of people are ready for life and work. The recommendations contained within this report are in accordance with the priorities of Perth Common Good Fund's criteria.

### 2. Resource Implications

#### Financial

- 2.1 The Head of Finance has been consulted and has indicated agreement with the proposals. The recommendations contained within this report will be funded from the 2023/24 Financial Assistance budgets.

### Workforce

- 2.2 Not applicable.

### Asset Management (land, property, IT)

- 2.3 Not applicable.

## **3. Assessments**

### Equality Impact Assessment

- 3.1 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.
- 3.2 This section should reflect that the proposals have been considered under the Corporate Equalities Impact Assessment process (EqIA) with the following outcome: Assessed as **not relevant** for the purposes of EqIA.

### Strategic Environmental Assessment

- 3.3 The Environmental Assessment (Scotland) Act 2005 places a duty on the Council to identify and assess the environmental consequences of its proposals.
- 3.4 However, no action is required as the Act does not apply to the matters presented in this report. This is because the Committee are requested to note the contents of the report only and the Committee are not being requested to approve, adopt or agree to an action or to set the framework for future decisions.

### Sustainability

- 3.5 Not applicable.

### Legal and Governance

- 3.6 Not applicable.

### Risk

- 3.7 Not applicable.

#### **4. Consultation**

##### Internal

- 4.1 The Head of Finance and the Head of Legal and Governance have been consulted.

##### External

- 4.2 Not applicable.

#### **5. Communication**

- 5.1 Not applicable.

#### **6. BACKGROUND PAPERS**

- 6.1 Perth Common Good Fund Application papers.