

PERTH COMMON GOOD FUND COMMITTEE

Minute of hybrid meeting of the Perth Common Good Fund Committee held in the Council Chamber, 2 High Street, Perth on Monday 18 September 2023 at 1.00pm.

Present: Councillors A Parrot, L Barrett, P Barret, A Chan, E Drydale, B Leishman, I MacPherson, I Massie, S McCole and J Rebbeck.

In Attendance: L Haxton and J Dudgeon (Communities); S Walker, J Guild, A Brown and R Ramsay (Corporate and Democratic Services).

Apologies: Baillie C Ahern, Councillors S Donaldson and G Laing

Councillor A Parrott, Convener, Presiding.

1. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES

The Convener welcomed all those present to the meeting and apologies were noted above.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor E Drysdale declared a non-financial interest in Item 6(5) and (10).

3. MINUTE OF MEETING OF THE PERTH COMMON GOOD FUND OF 22 MAY 2023 FOR APPROVAL

The minute of meeting Perth Common Good Fund of 22 May 2023 was submitted and approved as a correct record.

4. MATTERS ARISING

No matters were raised.

5. BONFIRE AND FIREWORKS DISPLAY EVENT ON 5 NOVEMBER 2023

There was submitted a report by the Head of Cultural and Community Services (23/249); (1) providing details of the Bonfire and Fireworks event on 5 November 2023 to be organised by the Perth and Strathearn 200 Round Table; and (2) requesting additional funding.

Resolved:

- (i) Perth and Strathearn 200 Round Table be awarded a grant of £22000 towards this years Bonfire and Fireworks event.
- (ii) Officers be requested to highlight the Committees concerns over the cost of hiring 4x4 vehicles and request that they consider the use of low volume fireworks only next year.

6. APPLICATIONS FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

There was submitted a report by the Head of Cultural and Community Services (23/251) asking Perth Common Good Fund Committee to consider six small grant applications and five capital grant applications.

Resolved:

Small Grants

(1) SSAFA Armed forces Charity Training

SSAFA Armed Forces Charity Training be awarded a grant of £1100 to support taking 10 volunteers to their organisation-wide Annual Conference in Stirling in October.

(2) Perform in Perth Festival 2024

Perthshire Musical (Competition) Festival Association be awarded a grant of £6000 to support the running of the Perform in Perth Festival in March 2024 and a Centenary Exhibition in October/November 2023 to celebrate the festival's 100th occurrence.

(3) Polish Scouting Association (a)

Motion (Councillors A Parrott and P Barrett)

Polish Scouting Association be awarded a grant of £1079 to support empowering their Junior Leaders in Perth through the Junior Leadership Council and the UK Explorer's Camp, being held at the Douglaswood Scout Centre on 29 September and 1 October 2023.

Amendment (Councillors B Leishman and J Rebbeck)

Polish Scouting Association be awarded a grant of £2179 to support empowering their Junior Leaders in Perth through the Junior Leadership Council and the UK Explorer's Camp, being held at the Douglaswood Scout Centre on 29 September and 1 October 2023.

In terms of Standing Order 21.5, a roll call vote was taken.

7 Members voted for the motion as follows:

Councillors L Barrett, P Barrett, A Chan, E Drysdale, I McPherson, S McCole and A Parrott

3 Members voted for the amendment as follows:

Councillors B Leishman, I Massie and J Rebbeck

Resolved:

In accordance with the Motion.

Polish Scouting Association (b)

Polish Scouting Association be awarded a grant of £1000 to help the organisation meet costs to take a group of young people on an expedition to Edinburgh to take part in the Stonoga Scout Rally on 10 September 2023.

Polish Scouting Association (c)

Polish Scouting Association be awarded a grant of £667.50, to support them running an activity over a two-day period in September 2023 for 15 Cubs to achieve their Insect Friend badge, involving a trip to Edinburgh to visit the Butterfly and Insect World with an overnight stay at Cameron Toll Scout Hall.

(4) Adventure Circus – The Legend of Kinnoull Hill Dragon

Adventure Circus SCIO be awarded a grant of £8400 to support the return of their DragonFyre show at Norie Miller Walk and the creation of activities linked to the legend that will be deliverable in local primary schools, focussing on low SIMD areas with low income families and children with additional support needs.

HAVING DECLARED A NON-FINANCIAL INTEREST IN THE FOLLOWING ITEM, COUNCILLOR E DRYSDALE LEFT THE MEETING.

(5) Kinnoull Parish Church – Phoenix Youth Project

Kinnoull Parish Church be awarded a grant of £250 for the Phoenix Youth Project to support them in the running of a Digital Literacy Workshop that will educate their young people to develop basic programming skills, learn robotics and other STEM themed skills.

COUNCILLOR E DRYSDALE REJOINED THE MEETING.

(6) Craigie & Moncreiffe Parish Church

Craigie & Moncreiffe Parish Church be awarded a grant of £120 for a trip to Air Thrill to provide 12 young people that promotes physical activity and allowed an opportunity to work on team building.

Capital Grants

(7) Friends of St John's Kirk of Perth

Friends of St. John's Kirk of Perth be awarded a grant of £2930 to contribute to the refurbishment of the Kirk's damaged spire and cockerel that has been atop since the 1500s.

(8) PKAVS – The Walled Garden

PKAVS be awarded a grant of up to £17000 to establish a new multi-functional building that will be used to offer clients space to socialise, participate in peer support and regularly eat together in a kitchen space. It will

also allow for a wide range of activity sessions, including seasonal planning for sowing and growing, DIY skills and resilience-based workshops.

(9) YMCA Tayside

YMCA Tayside be awarded a grant of £5000 towards a large project which will see the construction of a new Y Centre, restoring the vacant St Andrew's and St Stephen's Churches on Atholl Street into an active Youth & Community Hub.

HAVING DECLARED A NON-FINANCIAL INTEREST IN THE FOLLOWING ITEM, COUNCILLOR E DRYSDALE LEFT THE MEETING.

(10) Kinnoull Parish Church – Phoenix Youth Project

Motion (Councillors A Parrott and I MacPherson)

Kinnoull Parish Church be awarded a grant of £552.45 for their Pheonix Youth Project, to assist them to purchase a new pool table.

Amendment (Councillors L Barrett and P Barrett)

Kinnoull Parish Church be awarded a grant of £275 for their Pheonix Youth Project, to assist them to purchase a new pool table.

In terms of Standing Order 21.5, a roll call vote was taken.

5 Members voted for the Motion as follows:

Councillors B Leishman, I MacPherson, S McCole, A Parrott and J Rebbeck.

4 Members voted for the Amendment as follows:

Councillors L Barrett, P Barrett, A Chan, and I Massie.

Resolved:

In accordance with the Motion.

COUNCILLOR E DRYSDALE REJOINED THE MEETING.

(11) Craigie & Moncreiffe Parish Church

Craigie & Moncreiffe Parish Church be awarded a grant of £684.01 to enable the organisation to offer a more vibrant Youth Project for the young people who attend and support an identified need for more equipment to ensure the young people are engaged and have a range of activities to participate in.

7. 2023/24 FINANCIAL STATEMENT

There was submitted a report by the Head of Finance (23/250), providing details of the Income and Expenditure to 31 July 2023 and the projected outturn for Financial Year 2023/24 for the Perth Common Good Fund.

Resolved:

The projected Income and Expenditure to 31 March 2024, as set out in Appendix 1 to Report 23/250, be noted.

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