

PERTH COMMON GOOD FUND COMMITTEE

16 JUNE 2021

2020/21 & 2021/22 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Report by Head of Finance
(Report No. 21/89)

PURPOSE OF REPORT

This report provides an update on the outturn for Financial Year 2020/21; and details the Income and Expenditure to 18 May 2021 and the projected outturn to 31 March 2022 for Financial Year 2021/22.

1. BACKGROUND / MAIN ISSUES

- 1.1 The Committee approved the Perth Common Good Fund budget for 2021/22 at the meeting of 28 April 2021 (Report 21/54 refers). This report provides an update on income and expenditure to date and the projected outturn for the current Financial Year.
- 1.2 Report 21/54 also provided the monitoring position and projected outturn for the Financial Year 2020/21. This report includes an update on the unaudited position for the year ended 31 March 2021.

2. PROPOSALS

Financial Statement 2020/21

- 2.1 The unaudited surplus for the Fund for Financial Year 2020/21 is £135,829 and the Fund balance at 31 March 2021 is £1,672,905. This includes £1,000,000 as the Minimum Revenue Balance, £120,000 as the Repair and Renewal Reserve and £552,905 of other useable reserves.
- 2.2 The £4,306 positive movement from the previously reported surplus of £131,523 reported to this Committee on 28 April 2021 (Report 21/54 refers) is mainly attributed to: -
 - £5,000 underspend on Financial Assistance – Small Grants due to differences between the value of funding awarded and claimed.
 - £4,000 estimate for potential non-payment of rents as a consequence of the pandemic.
 - £1,900 underspend on Christmas lights and storage; and
 - £1,400 additional income.
- 2.3 As detailed in Appendix 1, there are various under/overspends across all of the budget headings, the majority of which have been previously reported to the Committee during Financial Year 2020/21. Further detail of the movement

from the projected outturn, as reported to Committee on 28 April 2021, to the final position is also included in Appendix 1.

Financial Statement 2021/22

- 2.4 On the basis of Appendix 2, it is anticipated that there will be a forecast surplus of £9,200 in 2021/22, and the Fund balance at 31 March 2022 is projected to be £1,682,105.
- 2.5 For the purpose of preparing income and expenditure projections, it is assumed that the recovery from the pandemic will include recommencement of group activities and events. Any deviation from the planned recovery may result in adjustment to the year-end projections and updates will be included within subsequent Financial Statement reports to this Committee.

3. CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS

3.1 The Committee is requested to:-

- i) Note the unaudited Income and Expenditure to the 31 March 2021 for the Perth Common Good Fund for the 2020/21 Financial Year, as set out in Appendix 1 to the report.
- ii) Note the Income and Expenditure to 18 May 2021 and the projected outturn to 31 March 2022 for the Perth Common Good Fund, 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

Corporate Plan

1.1 The Council's Corporate Plan 2018 – 2023 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.

1.2 This report relates to all objectives.

2. Resource Implications

Financial

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

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 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.

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 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.

Sustainability

- 3.5 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.
- 3.6 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

Internal

- 4.1 The Interim Chief Operating Officer has been consulted in the preparation of this report.

2. BACKGROUND PAPERS

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.

3. APPENDICES

- Appendix 1 – Unaudited Perth Common Good Fund Financial Statement for the year to 31 March 2021 for Financial Year 2020/21.
- Appendix 2 - Perth Common Good Fund Financial Statement for the period to 18 May 2021 for Financial Year 2021/22.