

# PERTH COMMON GOOD FUND COMMITTEE

Minute of Meeting of the Perth Common Good Fund Committee held in the Council Chambers, Fourth Floor, Council Building, 2 High Street, Perth on Wednesday 21 February 2007 at 1.00pm.

Present: Councillors Barrett, Caddell, Coburn, Doig, Flynn, Gillies, Livingstone, MacLellan, Miller, Scott and Wilson.

In Attendance: Councillor Mair; Y Oliver and A Wilson (both Chief Executive's Service); E Kerr and D Calderwood (both The Environment Service); A Bernard (Corporate Services) and H Smout (Education and Children's Services).

Apology for Absence: Councillor Stewart.

Councillor Gillies, Convener, Presiding.

## 96. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

In terms of the Councillors' Code of Conduct, Councillor Coburn declared a financial interest in (Art. 100) in connection with expenditure with regard to Moncreiffe Island and Causeway.

## 97. MINUTE OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The Minute of Meeting of the Perth Common Good Fund Committee of 20 December 2006 (Arts. 799-803/06) was submitted, approved as a correct record and authorised for signature.

## 98. APPLICATIONS FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

There was submitted a report by the Executive Director (Corporate Services) (07/132) on applications received for financial assistance.

### **Resolved:**

#### **(1) Reality Adventure Works in Scotland Ltd**

Reality Adventure Works in Scotland Ltd be awarded a grant of £750 towards the cost of an outdoor pursuits week from 9 to 13 April 2007, for up to sixteen disadvantaged young people from Perth.

#### **(2) Perth and Kinross Association Voluntary Services**

- (i) The Young Carers Project, run by the Perth and Kinross Association Voluntary Services, be awarded a grant of £1,000 towards the cost of their fun day at Bells Sports Centre on 24 March 2007.
- (ii) £500 be guaranteed against any loss if no other funding was made available to the projects from other sources.

#### **(3) Perth Sea Cadets Corps Unit**

Perth Sea Cadets Corps Unit be awarded a grant of £1,600 towards the purchase of a portacabin.

#### **(4) Young Person Global Xchange**

Global Xchange be awarded a grant of £100 towards an exchange visit involving a young person participating in the Voluntary Service Overseas exchange programme going to Mzuzu, Malawi.

#### **(5) Belarus Children**

- (i) The decision by the Executive Director (Corporate Services), taken in consultation with the Convener, to award a grant of £200 towards the cost of gifts for ten young people from Belarus staying in Perth attending a Civic Reception on Friday 23 February 2007, be homologated.
- (ii) Those people who assisted in provision of accommodation for the children receive the thanks of this Committee.

**99. PERTH CHRISTMAS SHOPPERS CRÈCHE 2006**

There was submitted a report by the Executive Director (Education and Children's Services) (07/133) detailing the attendance at, and running costs of, the Perth Christmas Shoppers Crèche which operated within the City from 23 November to 24 December 2006.

**Resolved:**

- (i) The contents of Report 07/133 be approved.
- (ii) The operating costs for 2006 be approved and payment to Playstart be instructed.
- (iii) The Executive Director (Education and Children's Services) and the Executive Director (Corporate Services) be instructed to identify appropriate accommodation to enable the provision of the service in 2007, in consultation with the Chairman of the Common Good Fund Committee.

COUNCILLOR COBURN LEFT THE MEETING AT THIS POINT.

**100. FINANCIAL STATEMENT**

There was submitted and noted a report by the Executive Director (Corporate Services) (07/136) detailing the income and expenditure on the Perth Common Good Fund for the period to 31 January 2007.

The Committee further noted:-

- (i) that the works at the Moncreiffe Island Causeway were not yet completed, due to the work starting late in the season and subsequently being delayed by seasonal tidal conditions;
- (ii) that the work would recommence as soon as the river conditions permitted, and that the costs of the contract would not increase as a result of the delay; and
- (iii) that an update report would be brought to a future meeting of the Committee.