

AUCHTERARDER COMMON GOOD FUND COMMITTEE

Minute of Meeting of the Auchterarder Common Good Fund Committee held in the Council Chambers, Fourth Floor, Council Building, 2 High Street, Perth on Wednesday 6 May 2009 at 1.20pm.

Present: Councillors G Hayton, J Law, M Lyle and I Miller.

In Attendance: Councillors R Ellis, L Grant and C Shiers; D Calderwood and E Kerr (both Quality of Life Trust); S Walker and L Maher (both Corporate Services); A Wilson and S Hendry (both Chief Executive's Service).

Apology for Absence: Councillor A Gaunt.

In terms of Standing Order 23, the Committee unanimously agreed to appoint Councillor M Lyle as Convener for the meeting.

Councillor M Lyle, took the Chair.

213. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no Declarations of Interest made in terms of the Councillors' Code of Conduct.

214. MINUTE OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The Minute of Meeting of the Auchterarder Common Good Fund Committee of 18 February 2009 (Arts. 88-92) was submitted, approved as a correct record and authorised for signature.

215. APPLICATIONS FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

There was submitted a report by the Executive Director (Corporate Services) (09/216) on applications received for financial assistance.

Resolved:

(a) Dalreoch Place Comfort Fund

Dalreoch Place Comfort Fund be awarded a grant of £510 towards the cost of a summer bus trip to Newtonmore on Tuesday 16 June 2009 for 31 tenants of the Auchterarder Sheltered Housing.

(b) Lang Toon In June Committee

Lang Toon in June Committee be awarded a grant of £1,410 towards the cost of the annual event in 2009.

216. FINANCIAL STATEMENT

There was submitted and noted a report by the Executive Director (Corporate Services) (09/217) detailing the income and expenditure on the Auchterarder Common Good Fund for the period up to 30 April 2009, anticipating a deficit of £500 being incurred in financial year 2009/2010, and a balance on the Fund's Revenue Account of £261,422 at 31 March 2010.

THE CONVENER RULED THAT IN HIS OPINION THE FOLLOWING ITEM SHOULD BE CONSIDERED AS A MATTER OF URGENCY IN TERMS OF SECTION 50(B)(4)(B) OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (SCOTLAND) ACT 1973.

217. AUCHTERARDER COMMON MUIR – AGRICULTURAL LEASE (Art. 92)

The Convener advised that the decision taken on 18 February 2009 required to be reviewed following a change in circumstances of occupancy.

Resolved:

It be remitted to the Head of Property to submit a report to the next meeting with further proposals for the lease of Auchterarder Common Muir.

218. BUDGET STATEMENT

There was submitted a report by the Executive Director (Corporate Services) (09/218) (1) advising that, in terms of income, while the rent element of the budget would be retained at the same level as 2008/2009, the interest element was anticipated to be significantly reduced, based on the latest information in interest rate levels; and (2) seeking approval of the Auchterarder Common Good Fund Budget for financial year 2009/2010.

Resolved:

The Auchterarder Common Good Fund Budget for financial year 2009/2010 be approved, as detailed in Report 09/218, with an anticipated deficit for 2009/2010 of £500, and the Fund's Revenue Account Balance being £271,922 at 31 March 2009.

219. APPOINTMENT OF CONVENER

Resolved:

Councillor M Lyle be appointed Convener of the Auchterarder Common Good Fund Committee for the coming twelve months.

THE CONVENER RULED THAT IN HIS OPINION THE FOLLOWING ITEM SHOULD BE CONSIDERED AS A MATTER OF URGENCY IN TERMS OF SECTION 50(B)(4)(B) OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (SCOTLAND) ACT 1973.

220. AUCHTERARDER AND DISTRICT LOCAL HISTORY ASSOCIATION (Art. 90)

The Convener advised that following the decision taken at the previous meeting to offer Auchterarder and District Local History Association an interest-free loan of £2,500 to compile illustrations and pay for production and printing of a publication called *Auchterarder – Strathearn's Royal Burgh*, a request had been received from the Association to amend this offer to a grant of £2,500.

Resolved:

To maintain the offer of an interest-free loan of £2,500.

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