

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 6 May 2009 at 1.00pm.

Present: Councillors C Gillies, P Barrett, L Caddell, J Flynn, G Hayton, E Maclachlan, A MacLellan, I Miller, D Scott, A Stewart and H Stewart.

In Attendance: Councillors K Howie and K Lyall; D Calderwood and E Kerr (both Quality of Life Trust); L Maher and S Walker (both Corporate Services); S O'Conner (Education and Children's Services); A Wilson and S Hendry (both Chief Executive's Service).

Apologies for Absence: Councillors R Band, J Coburn and W Wilson.

Councillor C Gillies, Convener, Presiding.

202. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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

203. MINUTE OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The Minute of Meeting of the Perth Common Good Fund Committee of 18 February 2009 (Arts. 77-83) was submitted, approved as a correct record and authorised for signature.

204. APPLICATIONS FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

There was submitted a report by the Executive Director (Corporate Services) (09/209) on applications received for financial assistance.

Resolved:

- (a) Breathe Easy Perthshire**
Breathe Easy Perthshire be awarded a grant of £170 towards the cost of their summer outing for twenty members to Callander on 21 May 2009.
- (b) Gannochy Avenue Sheltered Housing Friday Club**
Gannochy Avenue Sheltered Housing Friday Club be awarded a grant of £200 towards the cost of a coach trip, including bus hire and high teas, to Pitlochry for twenty-five pensioners.
- (c) Perth Highland Games**
Perth Highland Games Committee be awarded financial assistance of £2,500 towards the cost of staging the Pipe Band Competition on 9 August 2009.
- (d) Our Lady's Afternoon Club**
Our Lady's Afternoon Club be awarded a grant of £422 towards the cost of its summer outing for thirty-three members to Dunfermline on 8 May 2009.

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- (e) Perth Indigent Old Men's Society**
Perth Indigent Old Men's Society be awarded a grant of £287 towards the cost of its summer outing for 20-40 men in June 2009.
- (f) Perth Sea Cadets**
The decision by the Executive Director (Corporate Services), in consultation with the Convener of Perth Common Good Fund Committee, to award a grant of £600 to Perth Sea Cadets towards the cost of assisting cadets to attend a three week training course aboard T S Royalist, be homologated.
- (g) Bowerswell Memorial Home Tenants Group**
Bowerswell Memorial Home Tenants Group be awarded a grant of £535 towards the cost of their summer outing for thirty-five members to Inverness on 11 September 2009.
- (h) Perth and Kinross Association of Voluntary Services**
Perth and Kinross Association of Voluntary Services be awarded a grant of £3,000 towards the cost of the community event 'Party in the Park' on the Lesser South Inch, Perth, on 16 May 2009, as detailed within report 09/209.
- (i) Perth Academy Pupil**
A Perth Academy Pupil be awarded a grant of £100 towards the cost of attending three training venues with the Scottish Under 16 Girls Field Hockey Union.
- (j) George Street Association**
The decision by the Executive Director (Corporate Services), in consultation with the Convener of Perth Common Good Fund Committee, to award a grant of £800 to George Street Association towards the cost of holding a Victorian Fayre on 2 May 2009, as detailed within report 09/209, be homologated.
- (k) St Columba's High School**
St Columba's High School be awarded a grant of £400 towards the cost of hiring Perth Concert Hall for the school's last annual prize giving, in 2009.
- (l) Dalreoch Place Comfort Fund**
Dalreoch Place Comfort Fund be awarded a grant of £510 towards the cost of taking a summer bus trip to Newtonmore for thirty-one tenants on Tuesday 23 June 2009.
- (m) Perth City Club**
Perth City Club be awarded a grant of £730 towards the cost of a summer outing to Aberdeen for ninety-eight members, including hire of coach and high tea.
- (n) Perth Academy Hockey Club**
Perth Academy be awarded a grant of £1,000 towards the cost of taking forty 1st year hockey club pupils on their annual trip to Seamill Hydro, Ayrshire, in May 2009.
- (o) National Youth Choir of Scotland**
The decision by the Executive Director (Corporate Services), in consultation with the Convener of Perth Common Good Fund Committee, to award a grant of £100 each to two Perth pupils, who had been accepted into the National Youth Choir of Scotland National Boys Choir, and who had attended the residential school in Musselburgh from Sunday 5 until Friday 10 April 2009, be homologated.
- (p) Letham Community Sports Club**
Letham Community Sports Club be awarded a grant of £1,000 towards the cost of fifty-four youngsters (ages 8-11) participating in the Springbank

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- Tournament, Buckie as representatives of the City of Perth in a prestigious national football competition.
- (q) **Wednesday Tea Dance**
The Wednesday Tea Dance be awarded a grant of £891 towards the cost of its summer weekend outing for eighteen elderly members to Dunoon from 19-21 June 2009.
- (r) **Headway Perth and Kinross**
Headway Perth and Kinross be awarded a grant of £550 towards the cost of its summer outing, including bus hire, elevenses, a light lunch pack and high teas, for forty-nine members and their families to Oban on 22 August 2009.
- (s) **Sanda Court Sheltered Housing**
Sanda Court Sheltered Housing be awarded a grant of £330 towards the cost of a residents' day summer 2009 outing, including lunch.
- (t) **Craigie Playgroup**
Craigie Playgroup be awarded a grant of £300 towards the cost of purchasing a new climbing frame.
- (u) **Friendly Group Servite House Canal Street**
The Friendly Group be awarded a grant of £249 towards the cost of a summer trip to St Andrews for twenty-seven residents on 23 June 2009.
- (v) **Fairfield Neighbourhood Centre**
Fairfield Neighbourhood Centre be awarded a grant of £450 towards the cost of a John Muir Tour in Perth, Dunbar and at The Hermitage, from 8 July to 12 August 2009, to help young people appreciate natural environments which could be used for recreational purposes.
- (w) **Perthshire Brass**
To exercise discretion and award Perthshire Brass £5,000 towards the cost of participating in the 'Kulturtag 2009' in Aschaffenburg, under the circumstances detailed within report 09/209, and at the invitation of the Leader of Aschaffenburg Cultural Development.
- (x) **Perthshire Photographic Society**
Perthshire Photographic Society be awarded a grant of £8,800 from the Perth 800 Budget, towards the cost of its exhibitions for the Perth 800 celebrations from 2 April 2010 for two months in the Perth Concert Hall.
- (y) **Letham Old People's Club**
Letham Old People's Club be awarded a grant of £751 towards the cost of its summer trip to Anstruther and Kirkcaldy for ninety-eight members on 2 June 2009.
- (z) **Tulloch Feel Good Factor**
Tulloch Feel Good Factor Group be awarded a grant of £231 towards its summer trip to Blair Drummond Safari Park for fifty-three members in July 2009.

205. PERTH CHRISTMAS SHOPPERS CRÈCHE 2008

There was submitted a report by the Executive Director (Education and Children's Services) (09/210) detailing the attendance at, and running costs of, the Perth Christmas Shoppers Crèche which operated within the city centre from 29 November to 23 December 2008.

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Resolved:

- (i) The contents of Report 09/210 be noted.
- (ii) 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 2009.

206. FINANCIAL STATEMENT

There was submitted and noted a report by the Executive Director (Corporate Services) (09/211), detailing the income received and expenditure incurred on the Perth Common Good Fund for the period up to 30 April 2009, with an anticipated surplus of £12,000 being generated in financial year 2009/2010, and the Fund's Revenue Account Balance being £931,107 at 31 March 2010.

207. BUDGET STATEMENT

There was submitted a report by the Executive Director (Corporate Services) (09/212) (1) advising that, in terms of income, while the rent element of the budget would be increased from the level in 2008/2009 to recognise actual income levels, the interest element was anticipated to be significantly reduced, based on the latest information in interest rate levels; (2) highlighting that amongst the various adjustments necessary relating to expenditure, the Perth 800 support budget had been included; and (3) seeking approval of the Perth Common Good Fund Budget for financial year 2009/2010.

Resolved:

The Perth Common Good Fund Budget for financial year 2009/2010 be approved, showing a projected surplus for 2009/2010 of £12,000, and the Fund's projected Revenue Account Balance being £958,565 at 31 March 2009.

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