The Highland Council

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City of Inverness Area Committee – 3 June 2014

Inverness Common Good Fund Grant and Capital Projects

Report by the Acting Head of Community and Democratic Engagement

Summary

This report sets out the current applications for grant funding to be determined and the current status of capital projects.

1. Grants and Capital Projects

- 1.1 The current summary of funds available following the Grants Sub-Committee meeting on 12 May 2014 is set out in **Appendix 1**.
- 1.2 **Booklet A** includes details of current grant applications for more than £10,000. Members are invited to consider the following applications:
 - Hands Up for Trad: The Scottish Taditional Music Awards to be held in Inverness in December 2014. £26,800 subvention grant requested however Members may wish to consider the comments made at the Grants Sub-Committee in recommending a £10,000 grant.
 - 2) Inverness Tattoo Committee: £5,000 was awarded towards the reintroduction of the Highland Military Tattoo in Fort George in September 2014 the applicants are now requesting a further grant of £9,900 making a total award of £14,900. Members may wish to consider the comments made at the Grants Sub-Committee.
 - Inshes Community Association: This application relates to phase two of the Inshes Play Park. The applicants are requesting a grant of £60,000.
- 1.3 **Appendix 2** details the current status of capital projects.

Recommendation

The Committee is invited to:

- (i) consider the applications for funding;
- (ii) scrutinise the current status of capital projects; and
- (iii) Note that expenditure of £0.009m due against the Replacement of Gas Boilers; Inverness Town House project will be drawn from Town House Maintenance budget.

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APPENDIX 1

Inverness Common Good Fund Available Resource for Allocation				
Budget Balance Available - Grants (Committed from previous financial years)				350,000 160,904 510,904
Committee Date	Category	Award	Total for meeting	
(Committed from previous financial years) 12/05/2013 Grants Sub- Committee	Grants < £10k Grants > £10k	54,404 106,500		350,000
(NB Subject to approval of minute) Grants ≤ £10k	57,950) 57,950	292,050
Budget Balance Available - Subve r (Committed from previous financial years)	ntion			40,000 23,000 63,000
Committee Date	Category	Award	Total for meeting	
(Committed from previous financial years) 12/05/2013 Grants Sub- Committee	Subvention	28,018	3 28,018	34,982

Capital Projects Funded by Inverness Common Good Fund

1 General

1.1 This appendix provides project status information for current key capital projects funded by the Inverness Common Good Fund, including financial progress details, as of 16 May 2014.

2 Capital Programme Update

2.1 The current status of each individual project is summarised below.

2.3 **Replacement of Gas Boilers; Inverness Town House**

2.3.1 The contract was completed on the 4 October 2013 and the defects liability period will end on the 3 October 2014. The over spend is due to the existing gas main to the kitchen being upgraded.

The budget for 2014/15 is £9,000.

2.3.2 The final account has been agreed.

Agreed Budget	£225,000
Agreed Final Account	£226,147

2.4 **Conservation of External Fabric, Town House, Inverness**

2.4.1 The project is currently on programme and will be issued for tender Autumn 2014.

After tenders have been returned a full report will be brought back to the December Committee.

2.5 Replacement of High Level Windows, Market Arcade, Victorian Market

2.5.1 The project is currently on programme and due for completion 30 May 2014.

The budget for 2014/15 is £42,000

Agreed Budget	£81,000
Anticipated Final Account	£81,000

2.7 Refurbishment 1-5 Church Street, Inverness

2.7.1 The project is currently ready to go out to tender but await confirmation from the client to proceed.

3. Governance

3.1 These projects are funded by the Inverness Common Good Fund and monthly Contract Monitoring reports will be issued to the Inverness City Manager, in line with governance arrangements.