

The Highland Council

City of Inverness Area Committee – 2 September 2014

Agenda Item	23c
Report No	CIA/54/14

Inverness Common Good Fund Grant and Capital Projects

Report by the Inverness City Manager

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 11 August 2014 is set out in **Appendix 1**.

1.2 **Booklet C** includes details of current grant applications for more than £10,000. Members are invited to consider the following applications:

- 1) **Arts in Merkinch**: The Grants Sub Committee recommended approval of a Grant of £11,847.
- 2) **Inverness Angling Club**: Members may wish to consider the comments made at the Grants Sub Committee in recommending approval of a £28,500 Grant over three years.
- 3) **Merkinch Community Centre**: Members may wish to consider the comments made at the Grants Sub Committee in recommending deferment of this application.
- 4) **Inverness Leisure Limited**: The Grants Sub Committee recommended approval of a Grant of £50,000.

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;

Designation: Inverness City Manager

Date: 14 August 2014

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APPENDIX 1

**Inverness Common Good Fund
Available Resource for Allocation**

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Budget Balance Available - Grants	350,000
(Committed from previous financial years)	160,904
	510,904

Committee Date	Category	Award	Total for meeting	
(Committed from previous financial years)	Grants < £10k	54,404		
	Grants > £10k	106,500		
			<u>160,904</u>	350,000
12/05/2014 Grants Sub-Committee	Grants ≤ £10k	50,950	<u>50,950</u>	299,050
03/06/2014 City of Inverness Area Committee	Grants < £10k	9,900		
	Grants > £10k	30,000	<u>39,900</u>	259,150
11/08/14 Grants Sub-Committee Recommended for Approval	Grants ≤ £10k	35,631		
	Grants > £10K	90,347	<u>125,978</u>	133,172

Budget Balance Available - Subvention	40,000
(Committed from previous financial years)	23,000
	63,000

Committee Date	Category	Award	Total for meeting	
(Committed from previous financial years)	Subvention	28,018		
			<u>28,018</u>	34,982
12/05/2014 Grants Sub-Committee	Subvention	10,000	<u>10,000</u>	24,982

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 20 August 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.