



MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF MUSSELBURGH COMMON GOOD COMMITTEE

**TUESDAY 27 MAY 2014
RENNIE ROOM, TOWN HOUSE, HADDINGTON**

Committee Members Present:

Councillor John Williamson, Chair, Items 1 – 3f
Councillor John Caldwell
Councillor Stuart Currie
Councillor Andrew Forrest, Chair, Item 3g
Councillor Fraser McAllister

Council Officials Present:

Ms Pauline Maciver, Finance Officer
Mrs Kirstie MacNeill, Service Manager – Licensing, Admin & Democratic Services
Mrs Lel Gillingwater, Clerk

Applicant(s) Present:

Mr Ed Hendrikson, Principal Officer – Sport Development East Lothian Council, advising on Musselburgh Tennis Club application (Item 2)

Apologies:

Councillor J McNeil

Declarations of Interest:

Councillors Caldwell and Forrest, Item 2 (Application for Assistance from Musselburgh Monarchs BMX Club)
Councillors Caldwell and Forrest, Item 3f (Members of Musselburgh Joint Racing Committee)
Councillor Williamson, Item 3g (Member of Fisherrow Waterfront Group)

1. Minute of the Meeting of 4 March 2014

The Committee agreed to approve the minute of the meeting of 4 March 2014, subject to the following amendments:

Section 5.6 – Councillor McAllister requested that his declaration of interest be removed. The Committee agreed to this change.

Section 5.8 – Councillor Currie noted that there had been no decision in principle to support the application, as stated in the minute. He requested that the minute be amended to reflect the Committee's decision to request further information and that there may be an award made. The Committee agreed to this change.

2. Matters Arising from the Minute of the Meeting of 4 March 2014

Sederunt: Councillors Caldwell and Forrest left the meeting for the duration of the discussion on the Application for Assistance from Musselburgh Monarchs BMX Club.

Application for Assistance from Musselburgh Monarchs BMX Club – the Committee had agreed to grant this application in principle, pending receipt of further financial information, which had now been received.

The Common Good Committee agreed unanimously to grant the application in full and to request that Mr Young of the Club submits a report on the use of the funds to the Committee within one month of completion of the project.

Application for Assistance from Musselburgh Tennis Club – the Committee had agreed to continue this application, pending receipt of further information on other funding applied for and awarded. Mr Ed Hendrikson, Principal Officer – Sport Development at East Lothian Council, attended the meeting and provided further details.

The Common Good Committee agreed unanimously to recommend a grant of £80,000, on the condition that a satisfactory Service Level Agreement between all parties to ensure the public will be adequately served by the facility is drawn up.

***Note:** in accordance with the Common Good Committees Scheme of Administration, proposed expenditure in excess of £10,000 must be determined by East Lothian Council and that this application will therefore be submitted to the meeting of the Council on 24 June.*

3a. Application for Assistance – [REDACTED]

The Common Good Committee considered an application by Miss [REDACTED] for funding of £1000 to spend a year in Malawi with the charity Project Trust.

Decision

The Common Good Committee agreed unanimously to grant the application in full and to request that Miss [REDACTED] submits a report on the use of the funds to the Committee within one month of her return.

3b. Application for Assistance – [REDACTED] (on behalf of [REDACTED])

The Common Good Committee considered an application by [REDACTED] on behalf of Miss [REDACTED] for funding of £500 for Miss McCole to attend a water sports trip in France.

Decision

The Common Good Committee agreed unanimously to reject the application on the grounds that it did not meet the criteria for funding.

3c. Application for Assistance – Musselburgh Grammar School

The Common Good Committee considered an application by Mr Kenny MacDonald on behalf of Musselburgh Grammar School for funding of £1500 to purchase a defibrillator for the school and provide associated training.

Decision

The Common Good Committee agreed unanimously to grant the application in full and to request that Mr MacDonald submits a report on the use of the funds to the Committee within six months of the award of funding.

3d. Application for Assistance – Musselburgh Windsor FC U13s

The Common Good Committee considered an application by Mr John Hood on behalf of Musselburgh Windsor FC U13s for funding of £500 to participate in a tournament in France.

Decision

The Common Good Committee agreed (by three votes to one, with one abstention) to grant the application in full and to request that Mr Hood submits a report on the use of the funds to the Committee within one month of the award of funding.

3e. Application for Assistance – Musselburgh Windsor FC

The Common Good Committee considered an application by Mr Douglas Hall on behalf of Musselburgh Windsor Football Club for funding of up to £1000 to purchase medals to commemorate the Club's Diamond Jubilee.

Decision

The Common Good Committee agreed unanimously to grant the application in full.

3f. Application for Assistance – Musselburgh Racecourse

The Common Good Committee considered an application by Musselburgh Racecourse for funding of £3000 towards the New Year Sprint.

Decision

The Common Good Committee agreed unanimously to grant the application in full, on the condition that recognition of the award is mentioned in the programme for that event.

Sederunt: Councillor Williamson left the meeting for the duration of Item 3g.

3g. Application for Assistance – Fisherrow Waterfront Group

The Common Good Committee considered an application by Gaynor Allen on behalf of Fisherrow Waterfront Group for funding of £300 towards the Fisherrow Waterfront Family Fun Day on 15 June 2014.

Decision

The Common Good Committee agreed unanimously to grant the application in full.