



MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF HADDINGTON COMMON GOOD COMMITTEE

THURSDAY 7 DECEMBER 2023
VIA DIGITAL MEETINGS SYSTEM

Committee Members Present:

Councillor S Akhtar
Councillor G McGuire
Councillor J McMillan (Chair)
Councillor T Trotter

Council Officials Present:

Mr I Forrest, Senior Solicitor
Mr S Baxter,
Ms F Currie, Clerk

Apologies:

None

Declarations of Interest:

Item 2b – for the purposes of transparency, Councillor Trotter declared that he had a season ticket for Haddington Athletic

Item 2e – for the purposes of transparency, Councillor Akhtar advised that she had had contact with Thrive and had sign-posted them to potential funding sources. She was not involved with the organisation but had been asked to provide a statement of support for their common good application. She had declined indicating that, as a member of the Committee, it would not be appropriate for her to do so.

1. FEEDBACK FROM ORGANISATIONS IN RECEIPT OF GRANT FUNDING

The Committee noted, with thanks, the feedback received from Haddstock on their 2023 event.

2. APPLICATIONS FOR ASSISTANCE

a. FRIDAY FRIENDS

The Common Good Committee considered an application by Friday Friends to undertake electrical cabling work in the Nungate & Haddington Community Centre.

Decision

The Common Good Committee agreed to grant the application in part, with the sum of £1,000.

b. HADDINGTON ATHLETIC

The Common Good Committee considered an application by Haddington Athletic for funding towards the cost of a new stand.

Decision

The Common Good Committee agreed to grant the application in part, with the sum of £3,500.

c. POLDRATE ARTS & CRAFTS

The Common Good Committee considered an application by Poldrate Arts & Crafts for funding to purchase new looms to support weaving classes.

Decision

The Common Good Committee agreed to grant the application in part, with the sum of £1,000.

d. HADDSTOCK

The Common Good Committee considered an application by Haddstock for funding to support their music festival in 2024.

Decision

The Common Good Committee agreed to grant the application in part, with the sum of £2,000.

e. THRIVE

The Common Good Committee considered an application by Thrive for funding to purchase furniture, equipment and resources for a childcare facility in Haddington.

Decision

The Common Good Committee agreed to grant the application in part, with the sum of £2,500.

The Committee emphasised their support for all five applications and recognised the community benefits which would arise from these projects. However, due to a limited annual budget, they were unable to fund any of the applications in full.

Signed

Councillor John McMillan
Chair of the Haddington Common Good Committee