

The Highland Council

City of Inverness Area Committee – 12 August 2013

Agenda Item	14c
Report No	CIA/49/13

**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 13 May 2013 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 applications. Members may wish to consider the comments made at the Grants Sub-Committee.
- 1.3 Grant applications between £10,000 and £30,000 are listed in the Minute. Approval of the Minute will confirm approval or otherwise of the applications listed. In the event of the Committee agreeing to defer any of these applications, a report will be presented to the next appropriate CIAC, with full details of the relevant application(s).
- 1.4 In order for applications to be competent they must principally benefit the inhabitants of the (former) Burgh of Inverness.
- 1.5 **Appendix 2** details the current status of capital projects.

Recommendation

The Committee is invited to consider the applications for funding and scrutinise the current status of capital projects.

Designation: Inverness City Manager

Date: 30 July 2013

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APPENDIX 1

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

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Original Budget Balance Available 350,000

Committee Date	Category	Award	Total for meeting	
(Committed from previous 1 financial years)	Grants < £10k	79,367		
	Grants > £10k	11,786		
	Subvention	<u>11,499</u>		
			<u>102,652</u>	247,348
13/05/2013 Grants Sub- 2 Committee	Grants < £10k	30,000		
(NB Approved at 3/06/2013 Committee)	Grants > £10k	86,600		
	Subvention	<u>0</u>		
			<u>116,600</u>	130,748
29/07/2013 Grants Sub- 3 Committee	Grants < £10k	14,583		
(NB Subject to approval of minute)	Grants > £10k	20,000		
(NB Recommended awards subject to Committee approval on 12/08/2013)	Subvention	<u>8,250</u>		
			<u>42,833</u>	87,915

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 at 9 July 2013.

2 Capital Programme Update

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

2.2 Restoration of Inverness Steeple

- 2.2.1 The contract was completed on the 22 March 2013 and the defects liability period will end on the 21 March 2014.

- 2.2.2 The final account has been agreed.

Total Project Budget	£850,000
Final Account	£520,000

2.3 Adoption of Roads, Longman Drive, Inverness

- 2.3.1 The contract was completed on the 8 June 2012 and the defects liability period ended on the 7 June 2013.

2.4 Replacement of Gas Boilers; Inverness Town House

- 2.4.1 The contract has been awarded to Truedeal Building Services. The project has commenced on site and is due to be complete on 30th August 2013.

Total Project Budget	£225,000
Anticipated Final Account	£222,000

2.5 Conservation of External Fabric, Town House, Inverness

- 2.5.1 The Design Team were appointed on 23 May 2013. The agreed programme is as follows;

Digital Survey	28 June 2013
Detailed Survey	31 July 2013
Estimated Costs	30 August 2013
Interim Report	6 September 2013
Final Report	27 September 2013
Report to Committee	21 October 2013

Total Project Budget	£4,000,000
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2.6 Replacement of High Level Windows, Market Arcade, Victorian Market

2.6.1 An Architect has been appointed and the initial surveys have taken place. A Listed Building Application will be submitted August 2013. It is anticipated that the Listed Building Application will not be agreed until Oct/Nov 2013. We would recommend the works do not commence on site until Jan 2014 and completed before the end of Mar 2014.

Total Project Budget	£70,000
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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.