

Agenda Item	13.
Report No	SCC/18/18

HIGHLAND COUNCIL

Committee: Sutherland County Committee

Date: 23 August 2018

Report Title: Dornoch Common Good – Q1 Monitoring

Report By: Depute Chief Executive/ Director of Corporate Resources

1. Purpose/Executive Summary

- 1.1 This report provides information on income and expenditure in relation to the Dornoch Common Good Fund for the period April to June 2018.

2. Recommendations

2.1 Members are asked to:

- i Consider the position of the Dornoch Common Good Fund, as shown in the Q1 monitoring statement against budget.

3. Monitoring Report Q1 2018/19

3.1 A monitoring statement showing transactions to the end of June 2018 against budget and estimated year end position is attached at Appendix One.

3.2 Income

- No income was received in Q1. Rental invoices have been issued and will be reflected in the next monitoring report.
- The independent expert appointed by the Council has now completed the rent review of the Caravan Park, concluding that the rent should be set at £36,260pa. The conclusion is binding on both tenant and landlord and is backdated to 1 April 2017. The estimated outturn for Rents has been adjusted accordingly.
- The rent review for Scottish Water sites should be concluded shortly.
- Given both of these rent reviews there should be a substantial increase in income in 2018/19 in comparison with previous years.

3.3 Expenditure

- Expenditure to date has been limited: the main item being the £6,012 fee paid to the independent expert who conducted the review of the Caravan Park rent. This expenditure was not anticipated when the budget was set, so the estimated outturn has been adjusted accordingly.
- No grants were made to community and voluntary groups in Q1. £50,000 budgeted for the Dornoch Sports Hall will not be required in the current Financial Year. The estimated outturn has been adjusted accordingly.

4. Proposal

4.1 Members are asked to consider the current position of Dornoch Common Good Fund.

5. Implications

5.1 Resources – There is potential pressure against the Miscellaneous Costs budget line due to the independent expert fees, which had not been included in the budget. The increased income will more than offset that additional expenditure and in any case there are substantial usable resources (£242,691 on 31 March 2018 source: unaudited accounts) should these be required to cover any overspend.

5.2 Legal – none

5.3 Community (Equality, Poverty and Rural) – none

5.4 Climate Change / Carbon Clever – none

5.5 Risk – none

5.6 Gaelic – none

Designation: Depute Chief Executive/ Director of Corporate Resources

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Appendix 1

Dornoch Common Good - Quarterly Monitoring Period to 28 June 2018

	Actual to date £	Budget £	Estimated Outturn £	Variance £	1718 Outturn
INCOME					
Rents	-	23,030	61,550	38,520	21,430
Interest and investment income	-	1,000	1,000	-	876
TOTAL INCOME	-	24,030	62,550	38,520	22,306
EXPENDITURE					
Staff Costs	-	-	1,500	1,500	1,447
Grants & contributions	-	62,000	12,000	(50,000)	9,669
Miscellaneous Costs	6,073	7,000	13,000	6,000	2,398
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	6,072	69,000	26,500	(42,500)	13,514
Income less Expenditure	<u>(6,072)</u>	<u>(44,970)</u>	<u>36,050</u>	<u>81,020</u>	<u>8,792</u>