

Agenda Item	11d
Report No	CIA/10/24

The Highland Council

Committee: City of Inverness Area Committee

Date: 05 February 2024

Report Title: Inverness Common Good Fund Grant Applications Over £10,000

Report By: Executive Chief Officer Communities and Place

1 Purpose/Executive Summary

1.1 This report sets out the current applications for grant funding over £10,000 to be determined.

2 Recommendations

2.1 Members are asked to:

- i. Consider the applications for funding.

3 Implications

3.1 **Resource** - Subject to Committee approving the Common Good Fund Budget for 2024/25, funds will be provided from the Partnership Working Budget for 2024/25 after 1st April 2024. Members should note that the Poverty and Inequality and Other Grants Budgets are fully allocated for 2023/24.

3.2 **Legal** - There are no Legal implications as a result of this report.

3.3 **Community (Equality, Poverty, Rural and Island)** - Applications are considered on merit which includes compliance with Council Policies. The need to ensure that the residents of the former Burgh of Inverness are the main beneficiaries is paramount.

3.4 **Climate Change / Carbon Clever** - Consideration is given to ensuring that applications meet reasonable expectations in respect of climate change and carbon clever targets.

3.5 **Risk** - There are no known risk implications in respect of this report.

3.6 **Health and Safety (risks arising from changes to plant, equipment, process, or people)** – Consideration will be given to ensuring that appropriate standards are applied to any projects that are approved for grant support come at all in terms of Council policy.

3.7 **Gaelic** - Applications if successful will be required to meet expectations set by Council Policy in this regard.

4 Grant Applications

4.1 The current summary of funds following the City of Inverness Area Committee meeting on 20 November 2023 is set out in **Appendix 1**.

4.2 Inverness BID – Partnership Working

Inverness BID: The Inverness Common Good Fund Sub-Committee made the following recommendations regarding the applications submitted by Inverness BID as detailed in **Booklet A**.

- a. The City of Inverness Annual Floral Displays 2024 - **£52,410 - Approval**
- b. Wider City of Inverness Annual Floral Displays 2024 - **£23,631 - Approval**
- c. Operation Respect Easter/Summer/Autumn 2024 – **£13,403 - Approval**
- d. Inverness Gull Project 2024 - **£13,606 – Approval**
- e. Safe Inverness Project 2024 - **£9,700 – Approval**
- f. Coach & Visitor Ambassador Project 2024 - **£19,865 - Approval**

If the Committee approves the applications funding would be from the “Partnership Working” cost centre subject to the approval of the 2024/25 Budget.

Designation: Executive Chief Officer Community and Place

Date: 23 January 2024

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Background Papers:

Appendix 1

Appendix 1

Inverness Common Good Fund - Grants Available Resource for Allocation

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Budget Balance Available			
Grants to Poverty & Inequality		121,000	
Grants - Other		40,000	161,000
Carry Forward from 2022/23			233,626
			394,626

Committee Date	Category	Award	Total for meeting	
(Committed from previous financial years)	Grants < £10k	82,814		
	Grants > £10k	150,812	<u>233,626</u>	161,000
15/05/2023 Inverness Common Good Fund Sub-Committee				
Poverty & Inequality	Grants<£10k	22,770		
Other Grants	Grants<£10k	25,000	47,770	113,230
07/08/2023 Inverness Common Good Fund Sub-Committee				
Poverty & Inequality	Grants<£10k	34,999		
Other Grants	Grants<£10k	14,875	49,874	63,356
Homologated 30/10/23 Inverness Common Good Fund Sub-Committee				
Poverty & Inequality	Grants<£10k	8,000	8,000	55,356
20/11/23 City of Inverness Area Committee				
Poverty & Inequality	Grants<£10k	38,748		
	Grants>£10k	55,000		
Other Grants	Grants<£10k	12,990	106,738	-51,382
Agreed to transfer from Reserves			51,382	0

Poverty & Inequality Grants				121,000
07/08/2023 Inverness Common Good Fund Sub-Committee				
	Grants<£10k	22,770	22,770	98,230
07/08/2023 Inverness Common Good Fund Sub-Committee				
	Grants<£10k	34,999	34,999	63,231
Homologated 30/10/23 Inverness Common Good Fund Sub-Committee				
	Grants<£10k	8,000	8,000	55,231
20/11/23 City of Inverness Area Committee				
	Grants<£10k	38,748		
	Grants>£10k	55,000	93,748	-38,517
Agreed to transfer from Reserves			38,517	0
Other Grants				40,000
15/05/2023 Inverness Common Good Fund Sub-Committee				
	Grants<£10k	25,000	25,000	15,000
07/08/2023 Inverness Common Good Fund Sub-Committee				
	Grants<£10k	14,875	14,875	125
20/11/23 City of Inverness Area Committee				
	Grants<£10k	12,990	12,990	-12,865
Agreed to transfer from Reserves		12,865	12,865	0

Inverness Common Good Fund - City Vibrancy

Available Resource for Allocation

Budget Balance Available - City Vibrancy	216,000
Conference Funding C/F from 2022/23	20,580
Partnership Working C/F from 2022/23	8,000
City Promotions C/F from 2022/23	3,000
	247,580

Committee Date	Category	Award	Total for meeting	
(Committed from previous financial years)				
	Conference Funding	20,580		
	Partnership Working	8,000		
	City Promotions	3,000	31,580	216,000
13/02/2023 City of Inverness Area Committee				
	Partnership Working	9,700		
	Partnership Working	101,572	111,272	104,728
05/06/2023 City of Inverness Area Committee				
	Conference Funding	6,000	6,000	98,728
07/08/2023 Inverness Common Good Fund Sub-Committee				
	City Promotions	15,970		
	Partnership Working	10,000	25,970	72,758
28/08/ 2023 City of Inverness Area Committee				
	City Promotions	15,000	15,000	57,758
Civic Hospitality				
	Spend to date	80,709	80,709	-22,951
	Anticipated Costs	8,291	8,291	-31,242
20/11/2023 City of Inverness Area Committee				
	Partnership Working	18,329		
	City Promotions	924		
	Civic Hospitality	7,118	26,371	-57,613
	Agreed to transfer from Reserves		57,613	0