

SCOTTISH BORDERS COUNCIL
DUNS COMMON GOOD FUND SUB-COMMITTEE

MINUTE of MEETING of the DUNS COMMON
GOOD FUND SUB-COMMITTEE held in the
Members Meeting Room, Council HQ, Newtown
St Boswells on 7 May 2013 at 10 a.m.

Present:- Councillors J. Greenwell, D. Moffat, F. Renton.
In Attendance:- Senior Financial Analyst (CE/R/PED), Legal & Licensing Services
Manager, Committee and Elections Officer (F. Henderson).
Members of the Public:- 0.

URGENT BUSINESS

1. Under Section 50B(4)(b) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973, it was agreed that the item dealt with in the following paragraph be considered at the meeting as a matter of urgency, in view of the need to make an early decision.

APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN

2. Councillor Moffat moved that Councillor Renton be appointed as Chairman of the Sub-Committee, Councillor Renton agreed to accept the appointment and was unanimously approved.

DECISION

AGREED that as there were no other nominations, Councillor Renton be appointed as Chairman of the Duns Common Good Fund Sub-Committee.

MINUTE

3. There had been circulated copies of the Minute of the Duns Common Good Fund Working Group of 30 August 2012.

DECISION

AGREED to note the Minute.

SCOTTISH CHAMBER ORCHESTRA

4. There had been circulated copies of an application for Financial Assistance from the Scottish Chamber Orchestra (SCO). The application explained that the SCO was due to perform at the Volunteer Hall, Duns on Friday, 31 May 2013 as part of 'Summer Nights', its summer tour of Scotland. It was expected that the event would bring world-class live classical music performances to the people of Scotland across the Country. It was further explained that the performance would also enhance the cultural activities available to the local community of Duns, giving them an unforgettable experience. The application presented to the Sub-Committee was a request for £1,500 towards the cost of the performance on 31 May 2013. The Members were mindful of the decision taken on 30 August 2012, that, due to diminishing reserves, there would be no grants or donations from the Duns Common Good Fund. The Members were of the opinion that, whilst they welcomed the opportunity the Scottish Chamber Orchestra presented to the Duns Community there were many local groups who may be more in need of financial assistance, should there be funds available, as the accounts supplied with the application demonstrated that the group was not in need of financial assistance.

DECISION

AGREED not to grant financial assistance to the Scottish Chamber Orchestra.

The meeting closed at 10.10 a.m.