SCOTTISH BORDERS COUNCIL JEDBURGH COMMON GOOD SUB-COMMITTEE

MINUTES of Meeting of the JEDBURGH COMMON GOOD SUB-COMMITTEE held in Meeting Room 1039, Kelso High School, Angraflat, Kelso on Wednesday, 5th December 2018 at 5.30 pm

Present:- Councillors J. Brown (Chairman), S. Hamilton, Community Councillor

R. Stewart.

Apologies:- Councillor S. Scott.

In Attendance:- Pension and Investment Manager, Solicitor (Gordon Clerk),

Democratic Services Officer (F. Henderson).

Members of the Public:- 3

1.0 **MINUTE**

1.1 There had been circulated copies of Minute of the Jedburgh Common Good Fund Sub-Committee held on 12 September 2018.

DECISION

NOTED the Minute.

2.0 MONITORING REPORT FOR 3 MONTHS 30 SEPTEMEBR 2018

2.1 There had been circulated copies of a report by the Chief Financial Officer which provided the income and expenditure for the Jedburgh Common Good Fund for six months to 30 September 2018, a full year projected out-turn 2018/19 and projected balance sheet values as at 31 March 2019. Appendix 1 provided the projected income and expenditure position which showed a projected surplus of £24,154 for the year. Appendix 2 provided projected Balance Sheet value at 31 March 2019 and showed a projected decrease in the reserves of £12,554. Appendix 3 provided a breakdown of the property portfolio showing projected depreciation charges and actual property expenditure to 30 September 2018. Appendix 4 detailed the value of the Kames Capital Investment Fund to 30 September 2018.

DECISION

- (a) AGREED the projected income and expenditure for 2018/19 in Appendix 1 to the report.
- (b) NOTED:-
 - (i) the projected balance sheet value as at 31 March 2019 in Appendix 2 to the report;
 - (ii) the summary of the property portfolio in Appendix 3 to the report;
 - (iii) the current position of the investment in the Kames Capital Investment Fund contained in Appendix 4 to the report.

3.0 APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

3.1 **Jedburgh Football FC**

There had been circulated copies of an application for Financial Assistance from the Jed Football FC for the grant of £31,016.08 towards the cost of upgrading the Football Pavilion. Mr Melrose, Manager and a Committee Member were present at the meeting to answer Members questions. The application explained that this was a one-off project to upgrade the Pavilion in order that it may be used for functions, meetings, trainings, tournaments and to make the building DDA compliant. The Club had previously secured funding of £5,000 for running costs and kit and £1,000 sponsorship from local business, together with work in kind from tradesmen in the Town. The Pavilion required the upgrade in order to keep it viable and having not applied for funding in the past, the club were unsure how to go about this and where to apply. They had applied to the Common Good in the hope that a sum of money could be secured in order to apply to other funding sources to secure further grants. The Committee asked if there would be a place for the pavilion once the proposed Intergenerational campus had been built. In response Mr Melrose advised that the club would be unable to afford the proposed charges for the new facility. Community Councillor Stewart supported the application as the Pavilion was considered an asset for the Community. Following considerable discussion, the Sub-Committee agreed in principle to award the Jedburgh Football FC the sum of £15,000, following confirmation and receipt of all other funding and confirmation of the total costings. The Sub-Committee further agreed that in order to assist the Club access further funding sources, support would be provided by the Funding Officer and that a further application would be considered should the Club be unable to secure the total cost of the project.

DECISION AGREED:-

- (a) in principle, that an award in the sum of £15,000 be made to the Jed Football FC towards the upgrade of the Pavilion;
- (b) that prior to the release of the funding, the applicant confirm that all other funding had been received;
- (c) that the funding only be released on receipt of confirmation of total costings;
- (d) that support be provided by the Funding Officer to the Jed Football FC in order to secure further funding; and
- (e) to consider a further application, should the Club be unsuccessful in securing the total cost of the project.

3.2 **Jedburgh Gentle Exercise Group**

There had been circulated copies of an Application for Financial Assistance from the Jedburgh Gentle Exercise Group in the sum of £200 towards supporting the Group following its transition to independence. The application explained that the Group had been running independently in Jedburgh since April 2017 and while they would break even in their first year, they had requested funding to support its continued independence and provide a small element of financial security for the Group.

DECISION

AGREED to award a grant of £200 to the Jedburgh Gentle Exercise Group in respect of running costs.