

**SCOTTISH BORDERS COUNCIL
INNERLEITHEN COMMON GOOD FUND SUB-COMMITTEE**

MINUTES of Meeting of the INNERLEITHEN
COMMON GOOD FUND SUB-COMMITTEE
held via Microsoft Teams on Thursday, 15th
September, 2022 at 1.30 pm

Present:- Councillors M. Douglas (Chairman), J. Pirone and R. Tatler
In Attendance:- Principal Solicitor, Democratic Services Officer (D. Hall)

**1. CONSULTATION ON HERITABLE AND MOVEABLE ASSET REGISTERS FOR
FORMER BURGH OF INNERLEITHEN**

There had been circulated copies of a report by the Principal Solicitor which advised on the outcome of the consultation under the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015, and sought approval of the final Common Good Register for Innerleithen. Under the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 the Council was required to establish and maintain a register of property which was held by the authority as part of the Common Good (a "Common Good Register"). Before establishing a Common Good Register, the Act required the Council to publish a list of property that it proposed to include in the Register and consult the public on the list. The Innerleithen Common Good Sub-Committee approved the draft asset register in December 2021 and agreed to the commencement of the public consultation. The consultation ran from December 2021 to 31 March 2022. The Sub-Committee was required to consider the responses received to the consultation and approve the final register to be recommended to Council for publication. The Principal Solicitor, Mrs Hannah Macleod, presented the report, and highlighted that 3 of the 65 substantive responses had been related to Innerleithen. In response to a question, the Principal Solicitor agreed to add a note to the asset register regarding the Cameron Memorial, which would explain that whilst the Memorial was not Common Good owned it had been erected by public subscription.

**DECISION
AGREED:-**

- (a) to note the consultation responses and officers' comments thereon, as set out in Appendix 1 to the report;**
- (b) to approve the contents of the final list of heritable and moveable property assets held by the Council within the former Burgh of Melrose, as set out in Appendix 2 to the report; and**
- * (c) to recommend to Council the said final asset list for publication as a completed Common Good Register for Melrose.**

The meeting concluded at 1.40 pm