

Agenda



Special Meeting of Alexander Cross Cameron Bequest Committee

Date: Thursday, 6 June 2024

Time: 14:00

Venue: Council Chambers, Clydebank Town Hall, 5 Hall Street,
Clydebank, G81 1UB

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Dear Member

Please attend a special meeting of the **Alexander Cross Cameron Bequest Committee** as detailed above.

The business is shown on the attached agenda.

Yours faithfully

PETER HESSETT

Chief Executive

Distribution:-

Provost Douglas McAllister (Chair)
Councillor Diane Docherty
Councillor Daniel Lennie
Councillor June McKay
Councillor James McElhill
Councillor Lawrence O'Neill
Councillor Lauren Oxley
Councillor Gordon Scanlan
Councillor Clare Steel
Councillor Sophie Traynor

All other Councillors for information

Date of issue: 30 May 2024

ALEXANDER CROSS CAMERON BEQUEST COMMITTEE

THURSDAY, 6 JUNE 2024

AGENDA

1 APOLOGIES

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members are invited to declare if they have an interest in the item of business on this agenda and the reasons for such declarations.

3 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING 5

Submit for approval, as a correct record, the Minutes of Special Meeting of the Alexander Cross Cameron Bequest Committee held on 8 November 2023.

4 GRANT APPLICATION 7 - 10

Submit report by the Chief Officer – Resources providing additional information on a grant application by Lomond Clyde Care and Repair to the Alexander Cross Cameron Trust Fund and making an officer recommendation for consideration.

ALEXANDER CROSS CAMERON BEQUEST COMMITTEE

At a Special Meeting of the Alexander Cross Cameron Bequest Committee held in the Council Chambers, Clydebank Town Hall, 5 Hall Street, Clydebank on Wednesday, 8 November 2023 at 4.30 p.m.

Present: Provost Douglas McAllister and Councillors Diane Docherty, Daniel Lennie, June McKay, Lawrence O'Neill, Lauren Oxley, Clare Steel and Sophie Traynor.

Attending: Adrian Gray, Business Unit Finance Partner – Corporate Functions; Nigel Ettles, Legal Officer; and Nicola Moorcroft, Committee Officer.

Apologies: Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillors Craig Edward, James McElhill and Gordon Scanlan.

Provost Douglas McAllister in the Chair

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

It was noted that there were no declarations of interest in the item of business on the agenda.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The Minutes of Special Meeting of the Alexander Cross Cameron Bequest Committee held on 21 December 2022 were submitted and approved as a correct record.

GRANT APPLICATION

A report was submitted by the Chief Officer – Resources providing additional information on a grant application to the Alexander Cross Cameron Trust Fund and making an officer recommendation for consideration.

After discussion and having heard the Business Unit Finance Partner – Corporate Functions, in further explanation of the report and in answer to Members' questions, the Committee agreed the officer recommendation to award £300.00 requested in the grant application from Faifley Art Group.

The meeting closed at 4.32 p.m.

WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE COUNCIL
Report by Chief Officer, Resources
Alexander Cross Cameron Fund Committee
6 June 2024

1. Purpose

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to provide information on a grant application to the Alexander Cross Cameron Trust Fund and to make an officer recommendation for Members consideration.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 It is recommended that Committee agrees the officer recommendation to award £3,000 requested in the grant application from Lomond & Clyde Care and Repair for the reasons provided within Appendix 1.

3. Background

- 3.1 The Trust Deed states that the purpose of the Alexander Cross Cameron Fund is for 'considering applications by or on behalf of non-profit making community groups for grant assistance towards the cost of one-off community activities within Clydebank the objectives of which are in the opinion of the Trustee, to assist and relieve those in need by reason of age, ill health, disability, financial hardship or other disadvantage. For the avoidance of doubt no grant assistance shall be paid in respect of the normal running costs of the community group itself'.
- 3.2 Alexander Cross Cameron Fund grants are administered by the West Dunbartonshire Council and are reported to the fund as and when applications are received.
- 3.3 Per the draft 2023-24 Financial Statements, the value of fund as at 31 March 2024 was £122,076. Since 31 March 2024 no grants have been awarded, therefore £24,570 remains available for distribution as £97,506 is invested in a 2 year fixed interest account with no access to the funds.

4. Main Issues

Grant Applications

- 4.1 One application for grant funding has been received. Members should note that an amount of £3,000 is being recommended with full details being provided in the attached Appendix.

- 4.2** Members will note the reasons provided by officers in relation to the recommendations of award and will need to ensure that when making awards that these are made in line with the aims and purposes of the Trust Fund.
- 5. Option Appraisal**
- 5.1** No option appraisal consideration was required for this report.
- 6. People Implications**
- 6.1** There are no people implications.
- 7. Financial Implications**
- 7.1** It is recommended that £3,000 grant is awarded from the Alexander Cross Cameron Fund.
- 8. Risk Analysis**
- 8.1** The Committee must consider financial and reputational risks when considering grant applications. The financial risk is not only that the Alexander Cross Cameron Fund remains financially viable, but also that the organisations funded by the Fund comply with the Conditions of Grant which cover issues such as discrimination, health and safety, insurance, etc. As stated at 4.2 above, Members must ensure funds awarded are for the purposes of the Trust Fund.
- 9. Equalities Impact Assessment (EIA)**
- 9.1** No equalities impact assessment was required in relation to this report.
- 10. Environmental Sustainability**
- 10.1** No environmental sustainability issues require to be raised in connection with this report.
- 11. Consultation**
- 11.1** All organisations are consulted regarding recommendations of grant prior to the report being submitted to committee.

Laurence Slavin

Chief Officer, Resources
Date: 01 June 2024

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Appendices: Appendix 1: Detail of application for assessment

Background Papers: Grant Application Forms.
Report to Alexander Cross Cameron Trust Fund

Wards Affected: Wards 4, 5 and 6

**Alexander Cross Cameron Fund
for consideration 6 June 2024
(2024/25)**

Organisation	Purpose of organisation	Grant requested	Purpose of grant	Comments
Lomond Clyde Care & Repair	To assist elderly and disabled home owners and private rented sector tenants to get repairs and improvements carried out so they can stay in their own home	£3,000	To purchase security lights, door locks, windows handles and security chains and install them for residents. The money from the Alexander Cross Cameron Trust would only be for those in the Clydebank area	Total cost is £3,093 Group contribution: £93 Recommendation: £3,000 The stated purpose of the grant application meets with the aims of the Trust Fund.
Number of members	How often does it meet	Other grants applied for/ awarded	Bank Balance	Accounts balance
20 members	Quarterly	Age Scotland £3,132 Persimmon Homes £6,000 WDC Community Transition Fund £11,850	Bank balance at 29/04/2024 = £79,824.20	31/03/2023 £218,034