

## **VALE OF LEVEN FUND COMMITTEE**

At a Meeting of the Vale of Leven Fund Committee held in the Council Chamber, Clydebank Town Hall, Dumbarton Road, Clydebank on Wednesday, 7 March 2018 at 11.33 a.m.

**Present:** Councillors Jim Bollan, Ian Dickson, Caroline McAllister, John Millar, Sally Page and Martin Rooney.

**Attending:** Malcolm Bennie, Strategic Lead - Communications, Culture & Communities; Jackie Allison, Business Unit Finance Partner (Corporate Functions); Dawn Roddick, Finance Officer; and Scott Kelly, Committee Officer.

**Apology:** An apology for absence was intimated on behalf of Councillor Jonathan McColl.

### **APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR**

The Committee Officer invited the Committee to make nominations for the appointment of Chair of the Committee

It was agreed that Councillor Martin Rooney be appointed as the Chair of the Vale of Leven Fund Committee. Accordingly, Councillor Rooney assumed the Chair.

### **Councillor Martin Rooney in the Chair**

### **DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

Councillor Jim Bollan declared a non-financial interest in the item under the heading 'Grant Application – Vale of Leven Fund – Alexandria Library (West Dunbartonshire Council)' and intimated that he would leave the meeting during consideration of that item and not take part in the decision concerning the application.

### **OPEN FORUM**

The Committee noted that no open forum questions had been submitted by members of the public.

## **GRANT APPLICATION – VALE OF LEVEN FUND**

A report was submitted by the Strategic Lead - Resources requesting that consideration be given to a grant application submitted by a voluntary organisation, Oakbank Tenants Social Club, in relation to the Vale of Leven Fund.

After discussion, the Committee agreed to award a grant to Oakbank Tenants Social Club in the sum of £2,000.

## **DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

Having declared an interest in the following item of business, Councillor Bolla left the meeting at this point.

## **GRANT APPLICATION – VALE OF LEVEN FUND – ALEXANDRIA LIBRARY (WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE COUNCIL)**

A report was submitted by the Strategic Lead - Resources providing information on a project to create a community garden within Vale of Leven Library and recommending funding from the Vale of Leven Fund.

After discussion and having heard officers in explanation of the report and in answer to Members' questions, the Committee agreed:-

- (1) to support the awarding of a payment being made to West Dunbartonshire Library Services in the sum of £6,369 but that officers, in consultation with Councillor Dickson, in his capacity as Convenor and Spokesperson for Corporate Services, should first check whether it may be possible for this payment to be made from the Council's budget for community gardens and allotments;
- (2) that should it not be possible for a payment to be made from the Council's budget then a grant should be awarded from the Vale of Leven Fund in the sum of £6,369, it being noted that the making of such a payment would result in the winding-up of the Fund; and
- (3) that officers should inform Members of the Committee of the outcome of the matters outlined in (1) and (2) above.

The meeting closed at 11:48 a.m.