

The background of the slide features a large, light blue watermark of the City of Vancouver's coat of arms. The crest is a shield divided into four quadrants. The top-left quadrant shows a sailing ship on wavy lines representing water. The top-right quadrant depicts a stag's head with large antlers. The bottom-left quadrant contains a beaver. The bottom-right quadrant shows a grizzly bear standing on its hind legs. Above the shield is a crown with four maple leaves. A banner at the bottom of the shield reads "CITY OF VANCOUVER".

Agenda Item 3

Minute

Draft

Minute of meeting of the Falkirk Common Good Fund Committee held remotely on Tuesday 25 August 2020 at 12.00 noon

Councillors: David Alexander
Lorna Binnie
Provost William Buchanan
Cecil Meiklejohn
John Patrick
Pat Reid
Depute Provost Ann Ritchie

Officers: Brian Pirie, Democratic Services Manager
Hazel Jones, Senior Accountant

Also attending: Dr Duncan Crombie, Falkirk Made Friends

In accordance with section 43 of the Local Government in Scotland Act 2003 the Convener had directed that the meeting would be conducted by video conference to allow remote attendance by elected members.

In accordance with section 50A of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 the public were excluded from this meeting as it was likely that, if members of the public were present, there would be a real and substantial risk to public health due to infection or contamination with coronavirus.

CGF5. Apologies

An apology was submitted on behalf of Councillor Bissett.

CGF6. Declarations of Interest

None.

CGF7. Minute

Decision

The Minute of the meeting held on 18 June 2020 was approved.

Following a question from Councillor Reid it was confirmed that the monies which would be returned to the Fund by the Friends of Falkirk War Memorial Association had been estimated at the meeting, and in the decision, to be around £13k. There was no expectation in the decision that the Association was required to return £13k to the Fund. The returned monies would be allocated to the Bainsford War Memorial

project. Councillor Reid confirmed that £12,000 had been returned to the Fund by the Association.

CGF8. Application for Financial Assistance - Falkirk Made Friends

The committee considered a report from the Director of Corporate and Housing Services presenting an application for financial assistance from Falkirk Made Friends towards a project to produce short films, leaflets and booklets on Falkirk's industrial legacy.

Falkirk Made Friends was primarily concerned with creatively stimulating public interest in Falkirk's industrial legacy, its innovations and their effects on social history.

The project aimed to produce short films that dramatised individual and community stories that revealed the contribution of those who made some innovative contributions to society. Leaflets and information booklets would complement the films and add further historical information.

The cost of the project was £8500 with £5875 sought from the Common Good Fund.

Hazel Jones advised that the balance of Falkirk Common Good Fund was £695,880 at 15 July 2020. Rents and interest in 2020/21 would generate approximately £27k.

Dr Duncan Comrie was in attendance to represent Falkirk Made Friends committee. However due to connection issues Dr Comrie could neither hear, nor be heard by, the committee. With members unable to ask questions of the applicant it was proposed that the matter be continued to a later date.

Decision

The Committee agreed to continue consideration to a later meeting in order to be able to properly discuss the application with a representative of the organisation.