

CGF12. Application for Financial Assistance - Falkirk Made Friends

The committee had, at its last meeting on 25 August 20120 (ref CGF 8), 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.

The committee had been unable to question a representative of the organisation at the meeting and had agreed to continue consideration to a later meeting in order to be able to properly discuss the application with a representative of the organisation.

Dr Duncan Comrie was present on behalf of Falkirk Made Friends.

Following questions from members of the committee Dr Comrie left the meeting.

The committee considered that the organisations had applied too soon to the Fund and that it had not yet undertaken a fund raising campaign. Accordingly the members of the committee felt that Friends Made Falkirk should be encouraged to fund raise and that it could submit an application for funding should a shortfall remain.

The committee was also keen to preserve allocations for projects that were for the benefit of the burghal area (in keeping with the aims of the Fund). This application while focussed largely on areas within the burghal area was not specifically aimed at the area. The committee members all supported the aims of the project but felt that any award should be proportionate.

Decision

The Committee agreed to make no award at this time but invited Falkirk Made Friends to make a further application at the conclusion of its fund raising campaign should this be necessary.