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Report to:	Finance and Corporate Resources Committee
Date of Meeting:	20 June 2018
Report by:	Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources)

Subject:	Common Good – Funding for a Shelter at Springbank Cemetery
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1. Purpose of Report

1.1. The purpose of the report is to:-

- ◆ request approval for funding of £10,000 from the Lanark Common Good Fund for the provision of a shelter with seating at Springbank Cemetery in Lanark

2. Recommendation(s)

2.1. The Committee is asked to approve the following recommendation(s):-

- (1) that the request for funding of £10,000 from the Lanark Common Good Fund for the provision of a shelter with seating at Springbank Cemetery in Lanark, be approved.

3. Background

- 3.1. The Royal Burgh of Lanark Community Council (RBLCC) and the Lanark Tenants and Resident Association (LANTRA) have been working together with a view to securing funding for a shelter with seating at Springbank Cemetery for the benefit of the Community of Lanark.
- 3.2. RBLCC and LANTRA have identified a suitable shelter. The cost of that shelter with ground works included is around £11,000 (excluding VAT).
- 3.3. RBLCC and LANTRA have been trying to source funding for the shelter, in particular from local undertakers, and have so far raised £1,000.
- 3.4. While fund raising continues, in order to progress the project RBLCC and LANTRA have requested funding from the Lanark Common Good Fund. They have also requested that the Council assists by carrying out the work.
- 3.5. This report will provide further information on the project, (Section 4) and propose funding from the Lanark Common Good Fund. (Section 5).

4. Provision of Shelter by the Council

- 4.1. The proposal has been discussed with Community and Enterprise Resources who have confirmed that they could undertake the work on the basis that it would be subject to Council procurement policies, with competitive quotes obtained from suppliers, and that there are no planning issues.

- 4.2. The project will require to be fully funded, with the proposed contribution from the Lanark Common Good Fund fixed at £10,000. This would be to provide a shelter with seating. Any contributions received from external bodies would be used to augment or enhance the project.
- 4.3. Any maintenance or repairs to the shelter and seating will require to be met from the Lanark Common Good Fund going forward.

5. Proposal

- 5.1. It is proposed that a contribution from the Lanark Common Good Fund of £10,000 is approved in order to allow RBLCC and LANTRA to progress the project with Community and Enterprise Resources.

6. Employee Implications

- 6.1. There are no employee implications.

7. Financial Implications

- 7.1. The expenditure of £10,000 will be met from the Lanark Common Good Fund.
- 7.2. Any maintenance or repairs to the shelter and seating would have to be met from the Lanark Common Good Fund.

8. Other Implications

- 8.1. There are no immediate risks to the Council if the shelter with seating is not provided at Springbank Cemetery, however, there is a possibility that, without a contribution from the Lanark Common Good Fund, the project will not be able to progress.
- 8.2. The recommendations within this report link to the Council's objectives in relation to physical, environmental, social and cultural sustainability.

9. Equality Impact Assessment and Consultation Arrangements

- 9.1. This report does not introduce a new policy, function or strategy or recommend a change to an existing policy, function or strategy and, therefore, no impact assessment is required.
- 9.2. The information included within this report has been shared with Lanark Community Council.

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Link(s) to Council Values/Ambitions/Objectives

- ◆ Accountable, effective, efficient and transparent

Previous References

- ◆ None

List of Background Papers

- ◆ None

Contact for Further Information

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