

ACT2 (ABERDEENSHIRE CHARITIES TRUST)**WOODHILL HOUSE, ABERDEEN, 27 SEPTEMBER, 2018**

Present: Councillors K Adam, W Agnew, D Aitchison, A Allan, P Argyle, N Baillie, D Beagrie, L Berry, A Bews, G Blackett, A Buchan, C Buchan, M Buchan, S Calder, G Carr, R Cassie, J Cox, I Davidson, S Dickinson, A Duncan, E Durno, A Evison, M Ewenson, A Fakley, M Findlater, M Ford, A Forsyth, P Gibb, J Gifford, V Harper, F Hood, W Howatson, J Hutchison, M Ingleby, J Ingram, P Johnston, A Kloppert, A Kille, J Latham, S Leslie, D Lonchay, R McKail, D Mair, I Mollison, G Owen, H Partridge, G Petrie, C Pike, G Reid, G Reynolds, A Ross, M Roy, H Smith, N Smith, A Stirling, I Sutherland, I Taylor, R Thomson, B Topping, I Walker, A Wallace, J Whyte L Wilson and R Withey.

Apologies: Councillors R Bruce, A Hassan, A McKelvie, D Robertson, S Smith and A Simpson.

Officers: Chief Executive, Director of Business Services, Head of Finance, Head of Legal and Governance and Principal Committee Services Officer.

CHAIR

Councillor W Howatson, Provost of the Council, presided.

1. DECLARATION OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS

The Provost asked members if they had any interests to declare in terms of the Councillors' Code of Conduct. No interests were intimated.

2. PUBLIC SECTOR EQUALITY DUTY

In making decisions on the following items of business, the Council **agreed**, in terms of Section 149 of the Equality Act, 2010:-

- (1) to have due regard to the need to:-
 - (a) eliminate discrimination, harassment and victimisation;
 - (b) advance equality of opportunity between those who share a protected characteristic and persons who do not share it; and
 - (c) foster good relations between those who share a protected characteristic and persons who do not share it.
- (2) where an Equality Impact Assessment was provided, to consider its contents and take those into account when reaching their decision.

3. MINUTE OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The Minute of Meeting of ACT2 (Aberdeenshire Charities Trust) of 9 March, 2017, had been circulated, was **approved** as a correct record, and thereafter signed by the Chair.

4. ACT2 (ABERDEENSHIRE CHARITIES TRUST) - ANNUAL UPDATE 2017/18

With reference to the Minute of Meeting of the Trust of 9 March, 2017 (Item 6) there had been circulated a report dated 29 August, 2018 by the Director of Business Services seeking Members views on how the trust funds had been accessed over the financial year 2017/18

under the previously adopted management plan and providing a breakdown of all applications received by Area Committees during that period, along with amounts awarded and a note of the charitable purpose under which they were awarded. The report (1) explained that there had been limited uptake, with two of the Area Committees receiving no applications over the relevant period, (2) advised that reports would be taken to all Area Committees to review whether the current minimum and maximum level of awards were appropriate, and also to review the split between revenue which can be spent, and capital that must remain in trust; and (3) proposed that officers continue work to publicise the availability of the trust for funding where appropriate, monitor the application process for a further 12 month period and that the management plan of ACT2 be reviewed thereafter.

The Trust **agreed**:

- (1) to note the ACT2 applications made to and determined by Area Committees in 2017/18 contained in Appendix 1 of the report;
- (2) that officers continue work to publicise the availability of the Trust for funding, where appropriate, and monitor the application process for a further 12 month period; and
- (3) that a further update on the operation of ACT2 be provided at the end of the financial year 2018/19.