

LORD PROVOST'S TRUST FUNDS.

Glasgow, 31st March 2023

- Present: Lord Provost Jacqueline McLaren (Chair); Bailie Norman MacLeod; Martin Booth, Executive Director of Financial Services; and Elaine Galletly, Director of Legal and Administration.
- Apology: Councillor Maureen Burke.
- Attending: D Brand (Clerk); M Burns and N Roberts, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership; S Gillespie (for the Head of Customer and Business Services); L Goldie, Education Services; J McMartin and W Shannon, Chief Executive's Department; A Ross and A Stewart, Financial Services; and L Lambert, Advisor to Lord Provost.

Minutes of previous meeting approved.

- 1 There was submitted the minutes of 4th November 2022.

After consideration, the Trustees approved the minutes, after having noted the following matters arising

- (1) that the meeting to be organised between the Lord Provost and the new Chief Executive of the Wheatley Group to discuss the possibility of an increase to their annual contribution had now taken place, with the Lord Provost confirming that she had met with senior officers from the Wheatley Group who had agreed to increase their contribution to £75,000, which would be reviewed on an annual basis:
- (2) that the meeting to be set up between relevant Social Work officers and new Trustees in order to establish a better understanding of the work involved in the allocation of the funds process remained outstanding; and
- (3) in relation to the fundraising page, work was ongoing with the website to make it more user friendly, with new donation boxes having been received, however the option to make contactless payments was still being explored, and that Sharon Gillespie may be able to assist with this process and would liaise with relevant officers from the Lord Provost's office.

Lord Provost's Trust Funds – 2022/23 financial update noted.

- 2 There was submitted a report by the Head of Corporate Finance regarding the budget for the Lord Provost's 3 Trust Funds, detailing the expenditure position against the budget for the period from 1st April 2022 to 10th February 2023 (Period 12).

After consideration, the Trustees

- (1) noted
 - (a) the 2022/23 expenditure position of the funds; and
 - (b) that there had been an increase in uptake for the funeral costs support for the Vulnerable Citizens Fund, with any future spend of this element of the fund would form part of the discussion for the next budget; and
- (2) requested an additional column to be inserted showing the sub-total of the expenditure column and the committed expenditure column .

Summary of applications by Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership to Lord Provost's Children's Fund – Approved applications noted etc – Request to Chief Officer, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership.

3 There was submitted a summary of applications made to the Lord Provost's Children's Fund by Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership, detailing the funding applications approved by the partnership to date under the agreed framework.

After consideration, the Trustees

- (1) noted the report; and
- (2) requested more information regarding who had approved the applications to be added to future reports, and for any information that had been left blank within this report be updated for future reports.

Summary of applications by Education Services to Lord Provost's Children's Fund – Approved applications noted.

4 There was submitted a summary of applications made to the Lord Provost's Children's Fund by Education Services, detailing the funding applications approved by the service to date under the agreed framework.

After consideration, the Trustees noted the report.

Summary of applications by Social Work Services to Lord Provost's Vulnerable Citizens' Fund – Approved applications noted etc – Request to Chief Officer, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership.

5 There was submitted a summary of applications made to the Lord Provost's Vulnerable Citizens' Fund by Social Work Services (SWS), detailing the funding applications approved by the service to date under the agreed framework.

After consideration, the Trustees

- (1) noted the report; and
- (2) requested
 - (a) that where information had been left blank within the report, that this be updated for future reports; and
 - (b) in appendix 1 to the report, that additional information be provided in relation to other Registered Social Landlords as has been provided for Glasgow Housing Association and Wheatley Group.

Summary of applications by Social Work Services and Glasgow Home Care to Lord Provost's Older People Fund – Approved applications noted etc – Request of Chief Officer, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership.

6 There was submitted a summary of applications made to the Lord Provost's Older People's Fund by Social Work Services and Glasgow Home Care, detailing the funding applications approved by the service to date under the agreed framework.

After consideration, the Trustees

- (1) noted
 - (a) the report; and
 - (b) that due to the increase in costs, applications have had to be refused as the maximum award for the fund was £250;
- (2) agreed that the maximum award for all funds be discussed when budget allocations were being agreed to reflect the cost-of-living crisis; and
- (3) requested that where information had been left blank within the report, that this be updated for future reports.

Summary of applications for funeral payments to Lord Provost's Fund for Vulnerable Citizens – Approved applications noted etc.

7 There was submitted a report by the Head of Customer and Business Services regarding applications made to the Lord Provost's Fund for Vulnerable Citizens in relation to funeral payments.

After consideration, the Trustees noted

- (1) the report; and
- (2) that any further increase to this element of the fund would have to be agreed by full Council.

Update on new Trusts and Succession (Scotland) Bill.

8 Jen McMartin, Legal Services provided a verbal update on the new Trusts and Succession (Scotland) Bill, advising that

- (1) the Bill had been introduced in November 2022 to codify various pieces of trust legislation;
- (2) after scrutiny of the Bill, there was no requirement to change the current administration or management of the Lord Provost Trust Funds; and
- (3) should any concerns arise going forward, that this will be reported back to the Trustees.