



Common Good Fund

The Common Good is the ancient patrimony of the former burghs with additions which have taken place from time to time. The most concise statement of the administration of the Common Good Fund is contained in a judgement by Lord Kyllachy - "The Common Good is corporate property and falls as such to be administered by the Council - and applied by them for the benefit of the community in such manner as, and using reasonable judgement as, they think proper". It is an indispensable qualification of any object to which the Common Good can be legally applied that it should be one in which the general public of Glasgow City Council, as distinct from the general public of any other locality, is interested.

The Common Good Fund primarily meets the cost of civic ceremonies and hospitality to distinguished visitors to the City. The principal heritable assets of the Common Good Fund are its various properties throughout the City.

Notes to the Accounts

1. Fixed Assets

Fixed assets are recorded at the lower of net current replacement cost or net realisable value.

2. Investments

Gerrard Limited, on behalf of the Council, manages the investment of the Common Good Fund. The market value of the investments managed by Gerrard Limited at 31 March 2006 was £9.793 million.

Investments are shown at the lower of cost or market value and represented on the balance sheet at £7.873 million. The figure for long term investments shown in the balance sheet represents the original cost of the investments as adjusted by purchases, sales and revaluations.

3. Fixed Asset Restatement Account

This account holds the change in current value of fixed assets following the revaluation.

4. Capital Financing Account

This account represents the movement in the funding of capital assets such as sales of assets.



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Financial Performance

The net deficit for the year was £0.569 million against a budgeted deficit of £0.524 million. This was mainly due to a net overspend on civic hospitality (£0.074 million).

Revenue Account for the Year ended 31 March 2006

2004/05 £000	Common Good Fund	2005/06 £000
WHAT THE SERVICE COSTS		
169	Council Buffet	171
610	Civic Hospitality, etc	609
<u>7</u>	Miscellaneous Charges	<u>4</u>
786		784
	Less:	
226	Net Income from Properties and Feu Duties	215
-560	Net Deficit (-)	-569
HOW THE MONEY WAS SPENT		
Expenditure		
5	Employee Costs	5
30	Property Costs	43
1,118	Supplies and Services	1,088
0	Third Party	9
20	Treasury Management	28
1,173		1,173
Income		
336	Customer and client receipts	341
277	Total Interest on Investments	263
613		604
-560	Net Deficit (-)	-569



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Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2006

2004/05 £000	Common Good Fund	Note	£000	2005/06 £000
	FIXED ASSETS	1		
2,403	Net Capital Assets			2,403
7,655	LONG TERM INVESTMENTS	2		7,873
	CURRENT ASSETS			
10	Stocks and Work in Progress		5	
74	Debtors		102	
216	Short Term Investments		307	
288	Temporary Loan Investments		154	
588			568	
	Less: CURRENT LIABILITIES			
25	Creditors		33	
563	Net Current Assets			535
10,621	TOTAL ASSETS LESS LIABILITIES			10,811
	Represented by:			
8,887	Common Good Fund			9,077
1,280	Fixed Asset Restatement Account	3		1,280
454	Capital Financing Account	4		454
10,621	NET WORTH			10,811

Statement of Movement in Net Assets as at 31 March 2006

2004/05 £000	Common Good Fund	2005/06 £000
10,628	Fund Balance as at 1 April	10,621
-560	Surplus/Deficit (-) for Year	-569
570	Change in Market Value of Investments	759
-471	Fixed Asset Restatement Account	0
454	Capital Financing Account	0
10,621	Net Assets as at 31 March	10,811