ARGYLL AND BUTE COUNCIL BUTE AND COWAL CUSTOMER SERVICES AREA COMMITTEE

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1.0 SUMMARY

1.1 This report gives Members information regarding applications which have been made to the Provost's Fund.

2.0 RECOMMENDATION

2.1 Members are asked to consider these applications to the Provost's Fund, and to make whatever grant they deem appropriate.

3.0 DETAIL

- 3.1 The Provost's Fund was instituted by Provost James McMillan O.B.E. to commemorate the visit of King George V, and Queen Mary and Princess Mary to Rothesay on 11th July 1920.
- 3.2 The Fund was to be held by the Magistrates of Rothesay for the purpose of providing from the free income thereof, assistance to Soldiers and Sailors who had served in the European War, 1914-1919, or the Wives and Dependants of any Soldiers and Sailors who had lost their lives in the said War.
- 3.3 Applications for the benefits of the Fund shall be made in the month of November and grants shall be paid in the month of December. The number of persons receiving the benefit shall not in any year exceed twenty, and that each beneficiary must be domiciled in Rothesay. When no beneficiaries are drawn from the classes for the benefit of whom the Fund was instituted, the Magistrates shall hold the Fund for the benefit of the deserving poor of the Burgh, and administer it under the same conditions as laid down for Soldiers and Sailors etc.

- 3.4 Nowadays, the fund is administered by the Bute and Cowal Area Committee, and benefits from the fund can be paid out to the deserving poor of the Burgh of Rothesay. Benefits can only be paid out during the month of December, and must therefore be considered at the December meeting of the Bute and Cowal Area Committee.
- 3.5 The Fund has been advertised in the Buteman during November, and two applications have been received, from Mrs Janet McLachlan, 131 High Street Rothesay and Mrs Isabel McColl, 89 High Street, Rothesay.
- 3.6 Members are therefore asked to consider these applications which have been made to the Provost's Fund.

4.0 CONCLUSIONS

4.1 Members are asked to consider these applications, and make recommendations on any potential grant payment which they would wish to make to the applicants.

5.0 IMPLICATIONS

Policy: None

Financial: Application is in line with the requirements of the Provost's

Fund

Personnel: None Equal Opportunities: None

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