CHARITABLE TRUSTS, BEQUESTS AND TRUST FUNDS

3.0 INTRODUCTION

3.1 The Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Area Committee are Trustees of 19 Charitable Trusts, Bequests and Trust Funds with an estimated unrestricted balance of around £139K. This report provides information on proposals in relation to the ongoing management of these funds and seeks agreement on distribution proposals.

4.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

- **4.1** The Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Area Committee are asked to:
 - 1. note the financial position of the Charitable Trusts, Bequests and Trust Funds as of December 2023:
 - 2. agree that the Hutcheson Memorial Trust and May Paterson Trust prizes be limited to £30:
 - 3. agree that all other charities and trust funds, that have historically been awarded to Council Departments and Allied partners, are awarded on the basis outlined in paragraph 5.5 and defined within appendix 1; and
 - 4. agree that officers submit proposals for distribution arrangements for the Campbell Bequest, McNeil Bequest, the Macalister Mortification and The Fisher Bequest for later consideration by members.

5.0 BACKGROUND & DISTRIBUTION ARRANGEMENTS

- 5.1 Historically reports are prepare dand submitted to Area Committees outlining the status of each of the funds, proposed distribution method(s) and the amounts available.
- 5.2 Of the 19 funds for which the Area Committee are trustees many have historically been awarded to Council Departments and allied partners (for

6.0 CONCLUSION

6.1 This report has outlined the current position in terms of financial and distribution arrangements of the funds/bequests held in trust by the Area Committees. On approving the recommendations they will provide a clear community benefit while meeting our obligation of ensuring transparent and effective governance.

7.0 IMPLICATIONS

- **7.1** Policy None.
- **7.2** Financial None.
- 7.3 Legal -