

Consultation on Heritable and Moveable Asset Registers for former Burgh of Melrose

Appendix 1: Responses to Consultation and Officers' Considerations

Consultation Comment	SBC Response	Recommended action
The Gibson Park should be on Common Good Register	This park forms part of land held by the Council as trustees for the Gibson Trust, so cannot be added to the Common Good Register.	No action
The Golf Club should be on Common Good Register	This land was purchased by the Burgh in 1921 in terms of Burgh Police (Scotland) Act 1892 for use as a recreation ground. This statutory purpose precludes the land from being added to the Common Good Register.	No action
The "Triangle " should be on Common Good Register	This land forms part of land held by the Council as trustees for the Ormiston Trust, so cannot be added to the Common Good Register.	No action
Weirhill should be on Common Good Register	This land was acquired by the Parochial Board of Parish of Melrose 1860 in terms of Burial Grounds (Scotland) Act 1855. This statutory purpose precludes the land from being added to the Common Good Register.	No action
Do the cash funds noted on the register include the sum of £1,000 which came from a trust fund to set up a Melrose Common Good fund?	Yes. This was the Fraser bequest, which was transferred to Melrose CG at the time it was established formally in 2014.	No action
Could the Council assist in this exercise the community of Newstead in relation to their attempts to	As Newstead does not have a Common Good, and falls outwith the boundaries of Melrose, this would not be	Refer query to Communities team.

<p>make use of land at The Eddy, Newstead, for the benefit of the community?</p>	<p>relevant to this exercise, but can be referred to the Community Engagement team for consideration.</p>	
<p>A map of Melrose was given to the town council at the beginning of the 20th C (18th C origin and believed to be in the town hall). Is it still there?</p>	<p>It is possible that this item could belong to the Common Good as it is intrinsically linked to the Burgh itself. The Scout Group has confirmed that this item does not appear to be within the Town Hall and Live Borders have no information on the item.</p>	<p>This item could be added to the Register as 'under investigation' to allow more information to be obtained about the history and whereabouts of the map.</p>