



Glasgow City Council

City Administration Committee

Report by Executive Director of Finance

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Item 7

22nd August 2024

COUNCIL MOTION – MEDICAL AID FOR PALESTINE

Purpose of Report:

Support a donation to Medical Aid for Palestine from Glasgow City Council as per the Council Motion of 28th March 2024.

Recommendation:

Committee is asked to agree for a donation of £20,000 to be made to Medical Aid for Palestine to fund its activities, in recognition of the considerable additional strain placed on the resources of UK based charities by the conflict in Gaza.

Ward No(s):

Citywide:

Local member(s) advised: Yes No consulted: Yes No

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1. Introduction

- 1.1 The Council meeting of 28th March 2024 approved a motion regarding the conflict in Gaza. This included a request for the City Administration Committee to consider a request for a financial donation to the UK based charity Medical Aid for Palestine.
- 1.2 The Council is not authorised to provide direct relief to communities abroad, however it is able to make donations to UK based charities. At the City Administration Committee of 10th March 2022 a donation of £20,000 was approved to be made to the Disasters Emergencies Committee to fund its member charities' UK-based activities, in recognition of the considerable strain the crisis in Ukraine is placing on the resources of these charities.
- 1.3 It is proposed that a donation of the same value is made to the UK based charity of Medical Aid for Palestine. They are currently running an emergency appeal to support the provision of medical supplies, emergency food and humanitarian aid in Gaza.

2 Policy and Resource Implications

Resource Implications:

Financial: The proposed £20,000 donation will be funded from Council's reserves.

Legal: None

Personnel: None

Procurement: None

Council Strategic Plan: Specify which theme(s) and outcome(s) the proposal supports. Where relevant the specific numbered priority should be listed.

This action will promote partnership working with the third sector; Promote human rights; and support the city's work to welcome asylum seekers and refugees (99).

Equality and Socio-Economic Impacts:

Does the proposal support the Council's Equality Outcomes 2021-25? Please specify. No

What are the potential equality impacts as a result of this report?

no negative impact

Please highlight if the policy/proposal will help address socio-economic disadvantage.

Climate Impacts:

Does the proposal support any Climate Plan actions? Please specify:

No

What are the potential climate impacts as a result of this proposal?

None

Will the proposal contribute to Glasgow's net zero carbon target?

No

Privacy and Data Protection Impacts:

3 Recommendation

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