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| <b>Title of Report:</b>                | <b>REQUEST FROM ZOMBA ACTION PROJECT TO FUND A MEAL IN ZOMBA</b> |
| <b>Committee Report Submitted To:</b>  | <b>Corporate Policy &amp; Resources Committee</b>                |
| <b>Date of Meeting:</b>                | <b>27 June 2023</b>  |
| <b>For Decision or For Information</b> | <b>For Decision</b>  |

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| <b>Linkage to Council Strategy (2021-25)</b> |  |
| Strategic Theme                              | Cohesive Leadership  |
| Outcome                                      | Council operates as one effective and efficient corporate unit with a common purpose and culture |
| Lead Officer                                 | Director of Corporate Services   |

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| <b>Budgetary Considerations</b>          |  |        |       |
| Cost of Proposal                         | £380.00  |        |       |
| Included in Current Year Estimates       | No   |        |       |
| Capital/Revenue                          | Revenue  |        |       |
| Code                                     | Official and Courtesy TBC  |        |       |
| Staffing Costs                           |  |        |       |
| <b>Screening Requirements</b>            | Required for new or revised Policies, Plans, Strategies or Service Delivery Proposals. |        |       |
| Section 75 Screening                     | Screening Completed:   | Yes/No | Date: |
|  | EQIA Required and Completed:   | Yes/No | Date: |
| Rural Needs Assessment (RNA)             | Screening Completed  | Yes/No | Date: |
|  | RNA Required and Completed:  | Yes/No | Date: |
| Data Protection Impact Assessment (DPIA) | Screening Completed:   | Yes/No | Date: |
|  | DPIA Required and Completed:   | Yes/No | Date: |

## **1.0 Purpose of Report**

**1.1** The purpose of the report is to present a request from Alderman Yvonne Boyle, on behalf of Zomba Action Project (ZAP), for Council to host a meal in Zomba in August 2023, for approximately 25 people at a total cost of £380.00

## **1.2 Background**

**1.3** Correspondence has been received from Alderman Yvonne Boyle advising Zomba Action Project (ZAP) are planning a visit to Zomba in August 2023.

**1.4** The delegation will consist of Alderman Yvonne Boyle, Paul Snelling, ZAP Secretary, and three members of Hazelbank Presbyterian Church, who have raised money for a Children's Centre in Zomba.

**1.5** Alderman Yvonne Boyle has stated that, in addition to other ongoing challenges, Malawi and the Zomba area have suffered from recent flooding caused by tropical storms.

## **1.6 Previous Funding**

In 2018 a similar request for funding was granted via a former councillor, who was a Council representative on the Zomba Action Project.

## **1.7 Council Appointments to Zomba Action Project**

Through its External Appointments process, Council has 4 nominations to Zomba Action Project. At the time of writing this report, they are 1 no. Alliance (Alderman Yvonne Boyle), 1 no. SDLP and 2 vacant positions.

## **1.8 Detailed costs**

The cost of the meal has been broken down as follows:  
25 people @ £10 per person + £5 soft drink per person  
= £375.00

**Total £380** request for funding

## 2.0 Recommendation

**It is recommended** that the Corporate Policy & Resources Committee consider the request from Alderman Boyle to host a meal in Zomba for 25 people at a total cost of £380.00, via the transaction of a donation to Zomba.