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## **NOTICE OF MOTION TO MORAY COUNCIL ON TUESDAY 2 FEBRUARY 2022**

### **Dick Bequest Trust**

Council understands that recent research has demonstrated that the Dick Bequest fund is 'derived from the exploitation and misery of enslaved Africans'.

Council further understands that academics and historians recommend that Moray Council refuse to appoint trustees to the fund.

Council acknowledges that the University of Aberdeen and the Society of Writers to HM Signet have refused to appoint new trustees and that an Aberdeenshire Council appointee has refused to take up his role.

Council recognises that it is time to sever ties with the Dick Bequest.

Council revokes its appointment to the board of the Dick Bequest Trust.

Council instructs officers to communicate to the board of the Dick Bequest Trust that the Council no longer wishes to appoint a governor to the board and reiterate their request that the Scheme be wound up.

**PROPOSED BY COUNCILLOR JÉRÉMIE FERNANDES**

**SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR JOHN STUART**