

Grant Working Party



St Edmundsbury
BOROUGH COUNCIL

Title of Report:	Consideration of Community Chest Funding 2017/2018	
Report No:	GWP/SE/16/003	
Report to and dates:	Grant Working Party	7 November 2016
	Cabinet	8 December 2016
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Purpose of report:	To discuss applications for Community Chest funding in 2017/2018 and recommend allocations to Cabinet.	
Recommendation:	It is <u>RECOMMENDED</u> that the Grant Working Party considers the allocation of funding detailed in Report No: GWP/SE/16/003 and its associated appendices, and make recommendations to Cabinet accordingly.	
Key Decision: (Check the appropriate box and delete all those that do not apply.)	<p><i>Is this a Key Decision and, if so, under which definition?</i></p> <p>Yes, it is a Key Decision - <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>No, it is not a Key Decision - <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>The Cabinet will be asked to make this decision on 8 December 2016, following receipt of the recommendations from the Grant Working Party under the following criteria:</p> <p>(ii) result in any new expenditure, income or savings of more than £50,000 in relation to the Council's revenue budget or capital programme;</p>	

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	<p>A decision taker may only make a key decision in accordance with the requirements of the Executive procedure rules set out in Part 4 of this Constitution.</p> <p>Some decisions made by Cabinet are also however, subject to the budget setting processes for 2018/2019 and 2019/2020.</p>
<p><i>The decisions made as a result of the report to be considered by Cabinet on 8 December 2015 will usually be published within 48 hours and cannot be actioned until five clear working days of the publication of the decision have elapsed. This item is included on the Decisions Plan.</i></p>	
<p>Consultation:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Grant Working Party has had prior sight of the applications via email.
<p>Alternative option(s):</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Council could choose not to provide any grant funding; however it is recognised that some support to the Voluntary, Community and Social Enterprise Sector is required. The Community Chest also enables the Council to commission services to support the delivery of its priorities.
<p>Implications:</p>	
<p>Are there any financial implications? If yes, please give details</p>	<p>Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funding for grants are contained within existing budgets. This report proposes that any underspends in the Community Chest be retained within the budget to be used to commission third sector support for specific community issues.
<p>Are there any staffing implications? If yes, please give details</p>	<p>Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">
<p>Are there any ICT implications? If yes, please give details</p>	<p>Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">
<p>Are there any legal and/or policy implications? If yes, please give details</p>	<p>Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To accord with the adopted criteria for the consideration of Community Chest applications.
<p>Are there any equality implications? If yes, please give details</p>	<p>Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Council's approach to grants has been the subject of an Equality Impact Assessment and no negative consequences have been identified.

Risk/opportunity assessment:		<i>(potential hazards or opportunities affecting corporate, service or project objectives)</i>	
Risk area	Inherent level of risk (before controls)	Controls	Residual risk (after controls)
Organisations are not aware of our approach to grants	Medium	Implement a wide ranging communications plan	Low
Requests for funding exceed the amount of money available	Medium	Eligibility criteria and an evaluation scoring matrix to be used to identify best fit and value for money	Low
Organisations do not have the capacity to respond to the council's approach to commissioning	Medium	Support provided to organisations and a phased approach to be taken to enable organisations to become familiar with the new approach	Low
Wards affected:		All Wards	
Background papers: <i>(all background papers are to be published on the website and a link included)</i>		Report No: GWP/SE/15/004	
Documents attached:		Appendix 1: Summary of Applications Appendix 2: Scoring Matrix Appendices 3-41: Community Chest Applications	

1. 2017/2018 Allocations

1.1 Applications for Community Chest funding for 2017/2018 closed on the 30 September 2016. A total of 39 applications were received from a wide variety of organisations, as detailed in Appendix 1.

1.2 The Community Chest budget for 2017/2018 is £332,147.

Community Chest Budget	£281,483
Public Health Funding	£95,498
	£376,981
Funds already allocated	£44,834
Remaining Budget	£332,147

Applicants can apply for a maximum of three years.

1.3 There are a number of potential synergies between the applications and as such they have been grouped as follows:

Health

3. ActivLives
4. Cancer Campaign in Suffolk
5. Gatehouse Caring in East Anglia
6. Millennium Farm Trust
7. Rural Coffee Caravan
8. Suffolk Academy
9. Suffolk Accident Rescue Service (SARS)
10. Suffolk Mind
11. FamilyCarersNet
12. Suffolk West Citizens Advice Bureau (Health)
13. Upbeat Heart Support

Young People

14. AMP & DECK
15. Catch 22, Suffolk Positive Futures
16. Unit Twenty Three (Bury Youth Forum)
17. YOPEY Befriender
18. Spinning Wheel

Counselling

19. COMPASSION
20. Fresh Start New Beginnings
21. Junction 10
22. Suffolk Cruse Bereavement Care
23. Survivors in Transition (SiT)

Advice, Advocacy and Support

24. Bury St Edmunds Women's Aid Centre Ltd
25. Community Action Suffolk (Volunteering)
26. Community Action Suffolk (Locality)
27. Home-Start (Mildenhall Estate)
28. Home-Start (Acorn House)

- 29.Home-Start (Coupal Court)
- 30.Home-Start (Honington)
- 31.Our Special Friends
- 32.Suffolk Coalition of Disabled People (SCODP)
- 33.Suffolk West Citizens Advice Bureau (MoneySmart)
- 34.Suffolk West Citizens Advice Bureau (Operations)
- 35.The Matthew Project
- 36.Multicultural Women's Group Bury St Edmunds

Arts

- 37.Unit Twenty Three ('Freefall' production)
- 38.Creative Arts East (Rural Touring Scheme)
- 39.Theatre Royal (Bury St Edmunds)
- 40.Creative Arts East (Our Day Out)

Events

- 41.Haverhill Community Trust

Each application has been summarised with the full applications attached as appendices (as numbered above) to this report with personal or sensitive information retracted.

- 1.4 The Working Party is reminded that the scoring matrix attached as Appendix 2 should be used as a guide to decision making.