

# Grant Working Party



*St Edmundsbury*  
BOROUGH COUNCIL

<b>Title of Report:</b>	<b>Consideration of Community Chest Funding 2018/2019</b>	
<b>Report No:</b>	<b>GWP/SE/17/002</b>	
<b>Report to and dates:</b>	<b>Grant Working Party</b>	6 November 2017
	<b>Cabinet</b>	5 December 2017
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<b>Purpose of report:</b>	To discuss applications for Community Chest funding in 2018/2019 and recommend allocations to Cabinet.	
<b>Recommendation:</b>	<b>It is <u>RECOMMENDED</u> that the Grant Working Party considers the allocation of funding detailed in Report No: GWP/SE/17/002 and its associated appendices, and makes recommendations to Cabinet accordingly.</b>	
<b>Key Decision:</b>  (Check the appropriate box and delete all those that <b><u>do not</u></b> 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 5 December 2017, 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 2019/2020.</p>
<p><i>The decisions made as a result of the report to be considered by Cabinet on 5 December 2017 will usually be published within <b>48 hours</b> and cannot be actioned until <b>five clear working days of the publication of the decision</b> have elapsed. This item is included on the Decisions Plan.</i></p>	
<b>Consultation:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Grant Working Party has had prior sight of the applications via email.</li> </ul>
<b>Alternative option(s):</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>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.</li> </ul>
<b>Implications:</b>	
<p>Are there any <b>financial</b> implications? If yes, please give details</p>	<p>Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>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.</li> </ul>
<p>Are there any <b>staffing</b> implications? If yes, please give details</p>	<p>Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li></li> </ul>
<p>Are there any <b>ICT</b> implications? If yes, please give details</p>	<p>Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li></li> </ul>
<p>Are there any <b>legal and/or policy</b> implications? If yes, please give details</p>	<p>Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To accord with the adopted criteria for the consideration of Community Chest applications.</li> </ul>
<p>Are there any <b>equality</b> implications? If yes, please give details</p>	<p>Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Council's approach to grants has been the subject of an Equality Impact Assessment and no negative consequences have been identified.</li> </ul>

<b>Risk/opportunity assessment:</b>		<i>(potential hazards or opportunities affecting corporate, service or project objectives)</i>	
<b>Risk area</b>	<b>Inherent level of risk</b> (before controls)	<b>Controls</b>	<b>Residual risk</b> (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
<b>Wards affected:</b>		All Wards	
<b>Background papers:</b> <i>(all background papers are to be published on the website and a link included)</i>		Report No: <a href="#">GWP/SE/16/003</a>	
<b>Documents attached:</b>		<b>Appendix 1:</b> Summary of Applications <b>Appendix 2:</b> Scoring Matrix <b>Appendices 3-18:</b> Community Chest Applications	

## **1. 2018/2019 Allocations**

- 1.1 Applications for Community Chest funding for 2017/2018 closed on the 29 September 2017. A total of 18 applications were received from a wide variety of organisations, as detailed in Appendix 1. The total value of the applications received is £329,301.40. £7,000.00 was allocated from this year's budget as second year funding in 2016.
- 1.2 The Community Chest budget for 2018/2019 is £281,483.

Community Chest Budget	£281,483
Funds already allocated	£7,000
<b>Remaining Budget</b>	<b>£274,483</b>

Applicants can apply for a maximum of two years.

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

### **Health**

1. St Nicholas Hospice Care (3 applications for different locations)
2. Anglia Care Trust

### **Family Support**

3. Abundant Life Church (EPIC Dad)
4. Suffolk Family Carers
5. Home-Start Mid and West Suffolk
6. Sharing Parenting Clare

### **Counselling**

7. Relate
8. Mentis Tree CIC

### **Advice, Advocacy and Support**

9. REACH
10. CAB Suffolk West
11. Our Special Friends
12. Rural Coffee Caravan

### **Arts, Sports and Young People**

13. Suffolk Cinema Network
14. Restoration Trust
15. Sporting 87
16. 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.