

## **DRAFT PORTFOLIO HOLDER DECISION NOTICE**

# PROPOSED INDIVIDUAL DECISION BY THE PORTFOLIO HOLDER FOR COMMUNITIES AND SAFETY

#### **TOPIC - SMALL GRANTS March 2010**

#### PROCEDURAL INFORMATION

The Access to Information Procedure Rules – Part 4, Section 22 of the Council's Constitution provides for a decision to be made by an individual member of Cabinet.

In accordance with the Procedure Rules, the Corporate Director (Governance), the Chief Executive and the Head of Finance are consulted together with Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Principal Scrutiny Committee and all Members of the relevant Scrutiny Panel (individual Ward Members are consulted separately where appropriate). In addition, all Members are notified.

Five or more of these consulted Members can require that the matter be referred to Cabinet for determination.

If you wish to make representation on this proposed Decision please contact the relevant Portfolio Holder and the following Committee Administrator by 5.00pm on Wednesday 14 April 2010.

#### **Contact Officers:**

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Committee Administrator: Nancy Graham, Tel: 01962 848 235; Email:

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#### **SUMMARY**

The allocation of grants contained within this Decision Notice are from the Small Grants Funding scheme (which includes Carbon Reduction, Community Chest, Community Planning, and Twinning) and are within the approved overall budget.

No applications have been received towards Carbon Reduction or Community Planning schemes.

## PROPOSED DECISION

1. It is recommended that the following grants be awarded from the **Community Chest scheme**.

Alresford Music Festival Amount Requested: £500 Amount Awarded: £500

Funding is recommended towards the marketing and publicising of this new event.

East Stratton Village Hall Amount Requested: £500 Amount Awarded: £500

Funding is recommended towards the cost of purchasing and installing black out blinds in order to increase the range of activities taking place in the hall.

Friends of Corhampton Saxon Church Amount Requested: £500 Amount Awarded: £400

Funding is recommended towards the support of a family learning day. The full grant was not awarded as application also included a school engagement day and this was not considered eligible for funding.

West Meon Festival Amount Requested: £500 Amount Awarded: £500

Funding is recommended towards a 3 day Festival of Books.

Winchester Live at Home Scheme Amount Requested: £479.20 Amount Awarded: £400

Funding is recommended towards the purchase of a PC in order that the work of this organisation can be expanded into more rural areas.

Winchester Shotokan Karate Club

Amount Requested: £500 Amount Awarded: £400

Funding is recommended towards the set up costs of this new group. The full grant request was not awarded as it included some rental costs.

YMCA Fairthorne Group Amount Requested: £500 Amount Awarded: £300

Funding is recommended towards the creation of a vegetable garden for use by children and young people using the Fairthorne Manor facility. Full grant request was not awarded as the group do have sufficient free reserves to contribute to this project.

2. It is recommended that the following grant is awarded from the **Twinning Grant** scheme:

Winchester Laon Twinning Association

Amount Requested: £500 Amount Awarded: £500

Funding is recommended towards the provision of a coach to enable more people to take part in this event.

# REASON FOR THE PROPOSED DECISION AND OTHER ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED

Grants from the Small Grants Scheme are made four times per year. All applications for grants were considered by the relevant Portfolio Holder who received advice from the Community Grants Officer and other relevant officers as appropriate.

The **Wickham Allotment Group** has withdrawn its application, which was deferred from a previous round as they did not have any formal management processes in place. The group is currently working towards formalising the organisation and intends to reapply at a future round.

#### CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN ON THE PROPOSED DECISION

Not applicable

# FURTHER ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED FOLLOWING PUBLICATION OF THE DRAFT PORTFOLIO HOLDER DECISION NOTICE

Note – in accordance with the Scheme of Delegation to Portfolio Holders (Section 3 of the Council's Constitution), the Portfolio Holder for Heritage, Culture and Sport (Councillor Stallard) has been consulted on the grants.

# <u>DECLARATION OF INTERESTS BY THE DECISION MAKER OR A MEMBER OR</u> OFFICER CONSULTED

N/A

## **DISPENSATION GRANTED BY THE STANDARDS COMMITTEE**

N/A

Approved by: (signature) Date of Decision

Councillor John Cooper – Portfolio Holder for Communities and Safety