



## **PORTFOLIO HOLDER DECISION NOTICE**

### **INDIVIDUAL DECISION BY THE PORTFOLIO HOLDER FOR CULTURE, HERITAGE AND SPORT**

#### **TOPIC – COMMUNITY CHEST GRANTS**

#### **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 City Secretary and Solicitor, the Chief Executive and the Director 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.

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#### **SUMMARY**

The allocation of grants from the Community Chest funding scheme from the approved budget. Grants to organisations which are active in areas covered by the Housing and Communities Portfolio have been discussed with the Portfolio Holder and the proposed decisions met with her agreement.

#### **DECISION**

It is recommended that the following grants be awarded from the Community Chest scheme:

**1. Bishops Waltham Twinning Association £400**

Funding recommended towards a twinning event between Bishops Waltham and St. Bonnet le Chateau. Grant will contribute towards the cost of minibus hire, a visit to Winchester College, hall hire, and refreshments.

**2. Denmead Community Association £250**

Funding recommended towards the cost of supporting a competition for local schoolchildren to design a Christmas Card. Grant will provide prizes for the children and contribute towards the printing and packaging costs of the Christmas cards.

**3. Footsteps £500**

Funding recommended towards the cost of a multi-cultural event aimed at families which will demonstrate the different cultures that are represented in Winchester.

**4. Junior Hampshire Harriers Wheelchair Basketball Club £500**

Funding recommended towards the set up costs for this new Junior Wheelchair Basketball Club.

**5. St. Faiths Youth Group £400**

Funding recommended towards the relaunch of an under 16's youth club.

**6. Tiddlywinks Parent & Toddler Group £478**

Funding recommended towards supporting this parent and toddler group which meets every Thursday in Weeke. Grant would enable the purchase of tables, art and craft materials, storage and musical instruments.

**7. Triangle Playgroup £310**

Funding recommended towards the cost of providing wooden storage containers so that children attending the playgroup can gain easy and safe access to the toys and equipment provided.

**8. Westgate Support and Care £500**

Funding recommended towards the provision of arts activities aimed at vulnerable young people under 25, adults with learning difficulties and ex offenders.

**9. Winchester Tourist Guides £120**

Funding recommended towards the cost of this twinning event between Winchester and Laon. Grant will pay for visits to places of interest in the Winchester District.

**10. Winchester-Laon Twinning Association £300**

Funding recommended towards the July Friendship Football Tournament. Grant will provide refreshments and the use of a pagoda during this event.

**11. Winchester Rugby Club £500**

Funding recommended towards the cost of sports activities to be held in Weeke during the summer school holidays.

**REASON FOR THE DECISION AND OTHER ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED**

Grants from the Community Chest scheme are made three times per year. All applications for grants were considered by the relevant Portfolio Holder who received advice from the Partnership and External Funding Officer and other relevant officers as appropriate. The following applications were not approved:

**Colden Common Community Association** requested £500 towards the cost of purchasing a trophy cupboard. This application was refused as the activity did not meet any of the theme specific criteria for Community Chest grant.

**St. Peters Youth Group** requested £500 towards the cost of renting camera equipment to produce a documentary exploring Christianity and other religions. This application was refused because the group did not provide any evidence of a constitution or any bank details. The project itself does not meet any of the theme specific criteria for Community Chest grant.

**FURTHER ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED FOLLOWING PUBLICATION OF THE DRAFT PORTFOLIO HOLDER DECISION NOTICE**

N/A

**DECLARATION OF INTERESTS BY THE DECISION MAKER OR A MEMBER OR OFFICER CONSULTED**

Cllr Stallard declared an interest in the Denmead Community Association application and left the room while this application was being considered.

**DISPENSATION GRANTED BY THE STANDARDS COMMITTEE**

N/A

**Approved by: (signature)**

**Date of Decision**

**Councillor Patricia Stallard – Portfolio Holder for Culture, Heritage and Sport**