



DRAFT PORTFOLIO HOLDER DECISION NOTICE

PROPOSED 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 Performance Improvement Committee.

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 Thursday 11 November 2004.

Contact Officers:

Case Officer: Sally Horne, tel: (01962) 848582, email: shorne@winchester.gov.uk

Committee Administrator: Jo Hattersley, tel: (01962) 848155,
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SUMMARY

This report recommends 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 Healthier and More Inclusive Communities Portfolio have been discussed with the Portfolio holder and the proposed decisions meet with his agreement.

PROPOSED DECISION

That the following grants be awarded from the Community Chest scheme:

1. 2nd Shedfield Rainbow Guides £350
Funding towards the set-up costs for this new unit aimed at girls aged 5 – 7 years.
2. 8th Winchester Scout Group £400
Funding towards new tent equipment for this scout group based in Stanmore.
3. 14 – 25 Winchester Youth Counseling £400
Funding for office equipment and broadband access for the counsellors on the project.

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| 4. | Alresford Community Theatre Society
Funding towards the costs of a community performance of 'Oliver!' in March 2005. | £500 |
| 5. | Art and Mind
Funding towards the overall costs of the event Religion, Art and Mind to be held in March. | £500 |
| 6. | Clifton Singers
Funding towards professional accompanists at a performance by local singers. | £200 |
| 7. | Club Hampshire
Funding towards equipment costs associated with the opening of this new group to support elderly and disabled people in Oliver's Battery. | £300 |
| 8. | Colebrook Club for Blind & Partially Sighted People
A contribution towards an event to celebrate ten years of the organisation. | £375 |
| 9. | Hampshire County Youth Band Association
Funding towards the purchase of two new brass instruments. | £400 |
| 10. | Hyde Parish Hall
Funding towards the installation of a new hearing loop / pa system | £300 |
| 11. | Lost and Found Productions
Funding towards a project working with local primary schools to put on a performance relating to rural issues to be held at the Tower Arts Centre in February 2005. | £400 |
| 12. | Stanmore Community Learning Partnership
Funding for the purchase of web design software to be based at Carroll Youth Centre and for use by local community groups. | £410 |
| 13. | Winchester Christmas Festival
Funding towards an arts projects working with children from Stanmore Primary School to create eye catching giants for use at the community events including the switch on of the Christmas lights. | £500 |

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

Grants from the Community Chest scheme are made quarterly. All applications for grants were considered by the relevant Portfolio Holder who received advice from the Partnership and External Funding Officer and the Director of Community Services.

The following applications were not approved:

1. a:m productions
2. Bighton Church Kneelers
3. Bishop Waltham & District Twinning Association
4. Funky Divas Dance Group (deferred)
5. Jubilee Rovers Junior Football Club (deferred)
6. Meon Valley Gardening Club
7. Sparsholt Playground Association

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

Proposed decisions on all of the applications were taken in accordance with the merits of the application and the criteria of the Community Chest scheme.

No representations were received.

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

The Director of Community Services declared a personal interest in the grant applications from Alresford Community Theatre Society and a:m productions as the applicants were personally known to him. He left the room during the discussion and consideration of these items.

DISPENSATION GRANTED BY THE STANDARDS COMMITTEE

None

Approved by: (signature)

Date of Decision

Councillor Therese Evans – Portfolio Holder for Culture, Heritage and Sport