



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 Performance Improvement Committee.

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

In accordance with normal practice, all these proposed decisions have been discussed with the Portfolio Holder for Healthy and Inclusive Communities and agreement reached on grants that span the scope of both portfolios.

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

DECISION

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

1. *Club Hampshire (Swanmore Club)* £285
This application is for funding towards two social outings for this club's members. The grant is specifically towards the specialist transport necessary due to the frail and disabled nature of many of the elderly members.
2. *Kings Worthy Pre-school* £350
This application is for funding towards play equipment which promotes the children's physical development and encourages pre-sport activities.

3. *Meonstoke Parent and Toddler Group* £175
This application is for a number of items including a bookcase, a table and beanbags to improve the facilities for reading time activities.
4. *Parentline Plus* £418
Funding towards this family support project, specifically concentrating on the Stanmore area.
5. *Triangle Playgroup* £500
This application is for a number of play items as recommended to the group for improvements during a recent inspection by an independent advisory body.
6. *Weeke Community Social Club & Weeke Community Association* £300
This application is for support towards a fun-day to promote the community centre throughout the local community. The event, aimed at all ages, will also be used to consult on community activities people would like to see at the centre.
7. *Wickham Twinning Association* £400
This application is for funding towards the visit by representatives from Villers-sur-Mer and coincides with Wickham's VE Day celebrations. (Please note that this is a recommendation made by the Portfolio Holder for Healthy and Inclusive Communities, in consultation with the Partnership & External Funding Officer, and further agreed with the Chair of the CASPIC.)
8. *The Rude Mechanical Theatre Company* £200
This application is for funding to support this touring theatre company to make visits to Hambledon and Droxford during the summer with their performances which are specifically designed to engage with small rural communities.

REASON FOR THE 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 Communities. The following applications were not approved:

1. Alresford and District Community Association (£500)
2. North Boarhunt Youth Club (£450 – deferred for additional information)
3. Parochial Church Council of St Mary's, Kings Worthy (£500)
4. Sutton Youth Club (£500)
5. Upham Parochial Church Council (£500)
6. Winchester New Allotment Holders (£500)

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

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 Portfolio Holder for Culture, Heritage & Sport (Cllr Evans) declared an interest in Wickham Twinning Association. This application was considered by Cllr Collin in his capacity as Portfolio Holder for Healthy & Inclusive Communities, with that recommendation further agreed by the Chair of the CASPIC (Cllr Hammerton). This process was undertaken in consultation with the Partnership & External Funding Officer.

DISPENSATION GRANTED BY THE STANDARDS COMMITTEE

None

Councillor Therese Evans

10 May 2005

Approved by: (signature)

Date of Decision

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

Councillor Brian Collin – **Portfolio Holder** for Healthy and Inclusive Communities