

GRANT SUB-COMMITTEE – 14TH FEBRUARY 2024

MINUTES OF THE GRANTS SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 14TH FEBRUARY 2024 AT 11AM IN THE TOWN COUNCIL'S COMMITTEE ROOM LOCATED IN THE GUILDHALL, NORTHAMPTON

PRESENT: Councillors Birch (Chair), Hibbert, Holland-Delamere and Stevens

OFFICERS PRESENT: Mrs F Barford (Democratic Services Officer) and Mr C Osborn (Community Engagement Officer)

28. APOLOGIES

Apologies were submitted by Councillor Russell

29. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Holland-Delamere declared a non-pecuniary interest in application CCF226 as the funds would be deducted from his allocated Councillor Community Fund.

30. TO AUTHORISE THE CHAIR TO SIGN THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS HELD 15TH NOVEMBER 2023

RESOLVED: The Chair was authorised to sign the minutes of the previous meeting held on 15th November 2023 as a true and accurate record of the proceedings.

31. GRANT APPLICATIONS TO THE COUNCILLOR'S COMMUNITY FUND

| Reference Number | Organisation | Project | Amount Requested | Councillor(s) | Ward | Decision |
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| CCF226 | Emmanuel Church Group | RZone Youth Project | £700 | Holland-Delamere | Rectory Farm | APPROVED |
| CCF227 | Northants United Academy (F.C) | Training & Development Equipment | £350 | Miah | Headlands | APPROVED |
| CCF228 | Friends of Abington Library (FOAL) | Abington Library Community Outreach Programme | £500 | Miah | Headlands | APPROVED |
| CCF229 | The County Toy Library | Support for Children and Young People with Additional Needs | £2,000 | T Eales | Kings Heath | APPROVED |

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| CCF230 | Pearls Of Peace | Coffee Morning and Healthy Food Demonstrations | £1,000 | Ashraf | St James | APPROVED |
| CCF231 | Thorplands Club 81 (F.C) | Kit Provision | £492 | Fuchshuber & Meredith | Talavera | APPROVED |
| CCF232 | Broadmead Community Church | Community Conversation 2024 | £200 | Miah | Headlands | APPROVED |
| CCF233 | Broadmead Community Church | Community Conversation 2024 | £600 | Joyce | Eastfield | APPROVED |
| CCF234 | Northampton Leisure Trust | “Dear England” – Forum Cinema | £500 | Choudary | Brookside | APPROVED |
| CCF235 | Weston Favell Village Residents Association | WFVRA Family Fun Day | £1,000 | Kilbride | Park | APPROVED |
| CCF236 | Bridgewater Residents Association | Provision of Fitness Equipment | £1,000 | Kilbride | Park | APPROVED |
| CCF237 | St Albans Church | Food Bank | £1,000 | Joyce | Eastfield | APPROVED |
| CCF238 | Deafconnect | Four J’s Community Café | £700 | Ashraf | St James | APPROVED |
| CCF239 | Shop Zero | Shop Zero | £700 | Miah | Headlands | APPROVED |
| CCF240 | Headlands Primary School | Promoting Character | £700 | Miah | Headlands | APPROVED |
| CCF242 | Community Spaces Northampton | Briar Hill Food Bank | £1,500 | Connolly | Briar Hill | APPROVED |

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| CCF243 | Parklands Tiger FC | Summer Tournament | £550 | Hallam | Parklands | APPROVED |
| CCF244 | 70 th Northampton Rainbows and Brownies | Trip to Gravity Trampoline Park | £400 | Hallam | Parklands | APPROVED |
| CCF245 | Community Spaces Northampton | Southfield Bench | £558 | Fuchshuber & Meredith | Talavera | APPROVED |
| CCF246 | Cats Protection Northampton Branch | Support for those experiencing temporary financial difficulty | £700 | Fuchshuber & Meredith | Talavera | APPROVED |

32. GRANT APPLICATIONS TO THE COUNCILLOR'S COMMUNITY FUND

| Reference Number | Organisation | Project | Amount Requested | Recommended Decision |
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| CGF87 | The Wild Tribe | Junk Treasure Project | £4,700 | DECLINED: Councillors raised concerns on the Wild Tribes status as a community organisation and decided the organisation was not suitable for the Town Council's Grant Schemes. |
| CGF88 | Northampton Contemporary Art (NNCA) | Northampton Culture Night | £5,000 | APPROVED: Councillors raised the Culture Event would highlight the Cultural Quarter whilst supporting smaller groups and individuals to participate. |

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| CGF89 | Northampton Corporation Transport Archiving Project | The Preservation, Conservation and Education of Transport in Northampton | £4,000 | APPROVED: It was commented by a Councillor the preservation of Northampton's Transport History supports the Town Council's desire to support local history and heritage. |
| CGF90 | Albanian Cultural Association | Albanian Food Voucher Scheme | £2,500 | DECLINED: It was commented by the Committee that West Northamptonshire Council were administering the Household Support Fund scheme where food vouchers could be applied for and provided if deemed eligible. Another Councillor commented that a Community Larder would have been better suited to provide those in hardship with culturally appropriate food as it would be difficult to monitor what the funds were indeed spent on. It was highlighted that the Town Council would welcome any future applications from the Albanian Cultural Association. |
| CGF91 | Down Syndrome Group Northamptonshire | Speech and Language Therapy for Youngsters with Down Syndrome | £4,787 | APPROVED: It was commented by the Committee that Speech and Language Therapy would be a benefit to the service users however, the organisation should source more sustainable funding in future. |
| CGF92 | Wagonik Integracyjny | Children's Day with Wagonik Integracyjny | £2,010 | APPROVED: It was commented that the funds would benefit a high-volume of people, children on the ASD spectrum, their siblings and parents. |

MEETING CONCLUDED: 12:44PM