

MINUTES
OF A MEETING OF THE
EXECUTIVE

held on 27 February 2020

Present:

Cllr A Azad (Chairman)
Cllr G S Cundy Cllr D Harlow
Cllr K M Davis Cllr C S Kemp

Also Present: Councillors S Ashall, W P Forster, D E Hughes and S Hussain.

Absent: Councillor D J Bittleston.

1. MINUTES

RESOLVED

That the minutes of the meeting of the Executive held on 6 February 2020 be approved and signed as a true and correct record.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from the Leader of the Council, Councillor Bittleston. As Vice-Chairman, Councillor Azad chaired the meeting in his absence.

3. URGENT BUSINESS

There were no items of Urgent Business under Section 100B(4) of the Local Government Act 1972.

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

In accordance with the Members' Code of Conduct, Councillor Davis declared a non-pecuniary interest in agenda item 53, Woking District Scouts (Handicamp) – Application for Financial Assistance, arising from his membership of the Scout Association. The interest was such that speaking and voting were permissible.

In accordance with the Members' Code of Conduct, Councillor Kemp declared a non-pecuniary interest in agenda item 23, LCAG Lift Up Together and Little Minions – Application for Financial Assistance, due to being to the Chairman of the Group in his position as a Council representative. The interest was such that speaking and voting were permissible.

In accordance with the Members' Code of Conduct, Councillor Forster declared a non-pecuniary interest in agenda item 6, Applications for Financial Assistance 2020-21, arising from his role as President of Woking Mind. The interest was such that speaking was permissible.

In accordance with the Members' Code of Conduct, Councillor Forster declared a non-pecuniary interest in agenda item 38, The Club at Old Woking - Application for Financial Assistance, arising from his role as a Trustee of the Old Woking Community Centre. The interest was such that speaking was permissible.

5. QUESTIONS

The Chairman welcomed Mr Andy Caulfield who had submitted questions under Section 3 of the Executive Procedure Rules regarding the proposed Westfield redevelopment. Questions had also been submitted by Ms Rachel Williams who was not present at the meeting. A copy of the questions together with the replies was before the Executive. The Chairman confirmed the replies, supplementary questions were asked by the questioner present and replies given. The questioner not present would be sent a copy of the replies to her questions.

6. APPLICATIONS FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE 2020-21 EXE19-046

The Chairman and Portfolio Holder for Grants to Voluntary Organisations, Councillor Azad, introduced the report which set out the grant applications received as part of the Community Support Scheme 2020/21, noting that the recommended funding totalled £911,872 of the available revenue budget, with a further £10,000 to be ringfenced. In addition, the recommendations for capital or one-off applications equated to £200,509 from the Community Fund.

The Chairman noted that the high level of support from Woking Borough Council showed its ongoing commitment to supporting the voluntary sector, which included grant funding, accommodation, concessionary rent, discretionary rate relief, parking spaces and the provision of advice. The total value of the Council's support for the voluntary sector for the coming year was estimated to be £1,967,704, which was significantly higher than any other local authority in Surrey.

The importance of Groups undertaking joint working with the Council was noted along with the ongoing constraints on Council budgets which required the community groups to prepare for possible funding reductions each year. The Groups were encouraged to pursue other sources of available funding and to liaise with the Council's Community Development team.

Following a question by Councillor Forster, it was noted that the overall revenue budget had been held at the same level for several years, with a reduction in 2018/19 to accommodate the transfer of Woking Association of Voluntary Service into the Council due to a grant award no longer being required. Councillor Kemp stated that the level of support provided by the Council continued to be very high, particularly in comparison with other local authorities in the County.

Attention was drawn to the application from Woking Mind and it was noted that the application had been deferred to a future meeting of the Executive to enable further time for the purpose of the grant to be explored by officers in consultation with the Group, as

the transfer of Cornerhouse into Woking Mind was being completed. It was expected that any recommendation for funding would be through a service budget as opposed to a grant award.

The Chairman thanked Officers for their work in the preparation of the reports before the Executive.

RESOLVED

- That (i) the report be noted;
- (ii) Officers work with Woking Mind to fully understand the Charity's requirements for the coming year, with the intention of bringing a report with a funding proposal to a future meeting of the Executive;
- (iii) any unused funds remaining in the budget from the 2020/21 financial year be transferred to the Community Fund; and
- (iv) the allocation of funding of £10,000 to the Woking Asian Business Forum to manage the Alpha Road Community Hall (ARCH) be noted.

Reason: To determine financial support for voluntary and community organisations through the Council's Community Grants Scheme for the 2020/21 financial year.

7. AGE CONCERN WOKING - APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE EXE19-111

The Executive received the application for funding from Age Concern Woking. Following a question by Councillor Forster as to cross-over work with Friends of the Elderly, also requesting financial assistance, it was noted that the issue of loneliness amongst older people was addressed by both organisations as part of their befriending work. It was stated that the Groups liaised with the Council's Home Independence Manager who has supported both organisations in her consultee comments, on the basis that the work helps to meet a growing need. In the event that both submitted funding requests next year, the Manager would consider whether it remained beneficial to maintain the current service level for Woking residents.

RESOLVED

That funding of £2,000 capital from the Community Fund and £3,000 revenue be agreed towards the core costs of Age Concern Woking for 2020/21.

Reason: To continue to support the unique services for the elderly in the coming year.

8. BOOM CREDIT UNION - APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE EXE19-068

The Executive received an application for funding from Boom Credit Union. Following a question it was noted that there were currently no plans to relocate the Credit Union once

its existing unit was no longer available following the Sheerwater Regeneration Scheme. Councillor Forster stated that it would be beneficial for the Credit Union to continue to be available in Sheerwater or an alternative priority area. Ray Morgan added that Boom Credit Union would be invited to a meeting of the Sheerwater Regeneration Delivery Board to provide a presentation on its work and plans going forward in the area.

RESOLVED

That a grant of £12,400 be awarded to assist with the costs of the Sheerwater Office.

Reason: To continue to support the service for the benefit of the residents of the Borough of Woking.

9. BROWNS COMMUNITY SERVICES CIC - APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE EXE19-075

RESOLVED

That no funding be awarded.

Reason: The application has not demonstrated sufficient justification for the Council to enter into a new funding commitment for additional services in the Borough which would be likely to lead to an ongoing requirement for revenue funding by the Council.

10. CHERRY TREES - APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE EXE19-104

RESOLVED

That a grant of up to £2,000 be awarded to cover the costs of providing tea visits to young people living in the Borough of Woking.

Reason: To support the invaluable work the Charity provides to young people in the Borough with severe learning and physical disabilities.

11. CITIZENS ADVICE WOKING - APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE EXE19-086

The Executive received a report on the application for funding from Citizens Advice Woking. Councillor Harlow and Councillor Hussain referred to the Guildford County Court Help Desk, stating that the service was greatly valued in the community as it helped people who were potentially facing homelessness. Councillor Harlow proposed and Councillor Azad seconded an amendment proposing that the level of funding should be increased from £2,000 to £10,000 as requested by the Organisation. The Executive agreed the amendment, with the additional £8,000 to be allocated from the Community Fund on a one-off basis for the 2020/21 financial year.

RESOLVED

- That (i) core funding of £218,000 be awarded to continue to support the core service of Citizens' Advice Woking;
- (ii) funding of £10,000 be awarded towards the costs of the Guildford County Court Help Desk;
- (iii) funding of £11,500 be awarded to ensure the continuation of the Financial Capability programme; and
- (iv) the Council continues to cover the service charge for the accommodation at Provincial House, which for 2020/21 will be circa £53,000.

Reason: To enable the organisation to provide its services to Woking residents.

12. COMMUNITY ADVICE FORUM - APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE EXE19-084

RESOLVED

That funding of £5,000 be awarded towards the costs of operating the drop-in service.

Reason: To enable the Group to continue to provide its services in the community.

13. CORAM LIFE EDUCATION - APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE EXE19-095

RESOLVED

That a grant of £20,000 be awarded towards the services for schools in the Borough of Woking.

Reason: To continue the support for Coram Life Education towards the delivery of its programmes to schoolchildren in the Borough.

14. CROSSROADS CARE SURREY - APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE EXE19-064

RESOLVED

That a grant of up to £10,000 be awarded towards the provision of additional care hours for families in the Woking area.

Reason: To provide additional care hours for families in the Woking area to reduce the Service's waiting list.

15. FRIENDS OF THE ELDERLY - APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE EXE19-099

RESOLVED

That funding of £5,000 be awarded towards the Community Connector service.

Reason: The Community Connector Service will support the Council's Health and Well Being priority areas as well as complementing the Council's Social Prescribing service.

16. GASP MOTOR PROJECT - APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE EXE19-076

RESOLVED

That a grant award of £4,950 be awarded towards the provision of basic motor mechanics after-school courses in the Borough for young people who are at risk of becoming Not in Education, Employment or Training (NEET).

Reason: To assist young people in the Borough who may be disengaged with school to develop their skills and aspirations in basic motor mechanics.

17. HEADWAY SURREY - APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE EXE19-089

RESOLVED

That no grant be awarded.

Reason: The Group has not set out sufficient justification for a grant to be awarded.

18. HOME-START RUNNYMEDE AND WOKING - APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE EXE19-087

RESOLVED

That a grant of £10,000 be awarded to provide additional support to families in Woking and the School Readiness Programme.

Reason: To support the service of Home-Start Runnymede and Woking for families in most need of assistance residing with the Borough of Woking.

19. HUNGARIAN SCHOOL WOKING - APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE EXE19-109

RESOLVED

That no grant be awarded.

Reason: It is not felt that the organisation has provided sufficient justification for a grant award within its application.

20. IMAGO DEI PRISON MINISTRY - APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE EXE19-055

RESOLVED

That the application be not supported.

Reason: The application has not provided sufficient justification for the Council to award funding towards the work at HMP Send.

21. INTERGENERATIONAL MUSIC MAKING - APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE EXE19-070

The Executive received a report on the application for financial assistance from Intergenerational Music Making which proposed that only the capital element of the grant request for £900 towards the purchase of equipment be approved, as the Council could not always support each application received due to budgetary constraints. Councillor Ashall spoke in support of the application and stated that the work taking place was unique and valued by the young and elderly people who had participated in the sessions. Following discussion, it was agreed that the revenue funding equating to £6,000 should also be awarded from the Community Fund on a one-off basis, with a request for monitoring from the Group so that the outcomes could be evaluated.

RESOLVED

That a one-off capital contribution of £6,900 be awarded from the Council's Community Fund towards the revenue costs of the Making Musical Bridges programme as set out in the application, along with the costs of purchasing equipment including music packs, parachutes and scarves.

Reason: To enable the Council to establish the benefits of the programme amongst the participants from care homes and local schools during the year ahead.

22. ISHA FOUNDATION - APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE EXE19-108

RESOLVED

That no grant be awarded.

Reason: It is not considered that the application presents sufficient justification for the Council to provide funding for the proposed programme.

23. LCAG LIFT UP TOGETHER AND LITTLE MINIONS - APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE EXE19-077

RESOLVED

That a grant of £15,563 be awarded, comprised of £10,680 for Lift Up Together and £4,883 for Little Minions Youth Club.

Reason: To enable the support of those with mental health issues and children aged 7-11 in Lakeview and the surrounding area in the absence of statutory support.

24. LET'S READ LTD - APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE EXE19-054

RESOLVED

That funding of £10,110 be awarded towards the cost of the literacy improvement programme.

Reason: To support the Let's Read literacy improvement programme to improve literacy standards in the Borough.

25. MAYBURY AND SHEERWATER COMMUNITY TRUST - APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE EXE19-092

RESOLVED

That funding of £28,700 be awarded towards operational costs.

Reason: To enable the Group to build on its work taking place in Maybury and Sheerwater.

26. NEW LIFE CHURCH - APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE EXE19-100

RESOLVED

That a grant of up to £16,685 be awarded towards the cost of the lift for the redevelopment work taking place at New Life Church.

Reason: To enable the Church to provide further community work and assist disabled users making use of the building.

27. OUTLINE - APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE EXE19-066

RESOLVED

- That (i) a revenue grant of £6,000 be awarded towards the cost of running the helpline and the support group; and
- (ii) a one-off capital grant of up to a maximum of £1,000 be awarded from the Community Fund towards the costs of a new laptop, furniture and cordless telephone headsets.

Reason: To provide support for the organisation and its operating costs.

28. RAPE AND SEXUAL ABUSE SUPPORT CENTRE - APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE EXE19-090

RESOLVED

That a one-off grant of £10,000 from the Community Fund be awarded to services in Woking.

Reason: To support the work of the Charity in supporting clients from Woking through a range of services.

29. RELATE WEST SURREY - APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE EXE19-071

RESOLVED

That funding of £15,000 revenue be awarded towards the service charge at Provincial House for 2020/21.

Reason: To support the Group in its activities by assisting with the costs of the service charge for the accommodation in Provincial House, Woking.

30. SIGHT FOR SURREY - APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE EXE19-097

The Executive received a report on the application for funding from Sight for Surrey. Councillor Harlow referred to the part of the grant application relating to the Eye Clinic Liaison Officer, based at St. Peter's Hospital, and suggested that this portion of the application should be supported due to residents from Woking potentially benefitting from the service. The grant application set out two options – either a half day for a year or a full day for a period of six months – and the half day option for a year was supported. It was further suggested that the funding of £350 towards the Swimming Event at the Pool in the Park for visually impaired people should be awarded, instead of being negotiated separately with Freedom Leisure. The total grant award proposed – £3,300 – would be allocated from the Community Fund.

Councillor Harlow proposed and Councillor Cundy seconded an amendment based on the suggestions, namely that funding of £3,300 should be awarded towards the work of the

Mobile Sight and Hearing Bus in Woking, the Eye Clinic Liaison Officer and the Swimming Event for those with a visual impairment. The amendment was welcomed and it was

RESOLVED

That funding of £3,300 be awarded towards the work of the Mobile Sight and Hearing Bus in Woking, the Eye Clinic Liaison Officer and the Swimming Event for those with a visual impairment.

Reason: To enable visually impaired residents in Woking to benefit from the range of services provided by Sight for Surrey.

31. SURREY CARE TRUST - APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE EXE19-088

RESOLVED

That a one-off grant of £5,000 be awarded towards the staff costs of the free STEPS counselling service.

Reason: To enable Surrey Care Trust to continue to run the STEPS Youth Counselling service for 16 to 25 year olds in Woking.

32. SURREY DRUG AND ALCOHOL CARE LTD - APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE EXE19-085

RESOLVED

That a grant of £6,000 revenue be awarded towards the telephone counselling service.

Reason: The structured counselling interventions provided by the Group would be of benefit to users of drugs and alcohol based in the Borough.

33. SURREY LIFELONG LEARNING PARTNERSHIP - APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE EXE19-110

RESOLVED

That the Overview and Scrutiny Committee be invited to establish a small Group of Members to scrutinise the proposals of the Partnership and investigate whether the proposals should be considered as part of the Council's service provision.

Reason: The opportunities to support the proposals through other means, namely service provision, to be fully explored in view of the positive comments of the consultees.

34. SURREY NORTH AREA CRUSE BEREAVEMENT CARE - APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE EXE19-098

RESOLVED

That a grant of £3,630 be awarded towards the running costs of the service in Woking.

Reason: The Council's support will ensure that the Organisation is able to continue to provide an essential service for individuals in the Borough who are directly affected by bereavement.

35. SURREY WELFARE RIGHTS UNIT - APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE EXE19-059

RESOLVED

That a grant of £10,000 be awarded towards core costs, in particular the advice line and specialist casework.

Reason: To ensure the continued services of the Unit for Woking residents.

36. TALK SURREY CIO - APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE EXE19-103

RESOLVED

That a grant of £1,000 be awarded towards the costs of the Knaphill support group.

Reason: The work undertaken by the Group supports the Council's health and wellbeing agenda.

37. THE BRIGITTE TRUST - APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE EXE19-065

RESOLVED

That a grant of £2,500 be awarded to cover the costs of a volunteer training programme in Woking.

Reason: To enable the Trust to offer its services to more residents of the Borough through the recruitment of additional volunteers.

38. THE CLUB AT OLD WOKING - APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE EXE19-102

RESOLVED

That a grant of up to £2,500 be awarded for the 2020/21 financial year towards the rental costs of The Club and to employ a youth worker.

Reason: To enable the Group to continue its work with young people in South Woking.

39. THE COUNSELLING PARTNERSHIP - APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE EXE19-069

RESOLVED

That funding of £3,000 be agreed towards the salary costs of the part-time Administrator and Clinical Services Manager.

Reason: To enable the Counselling Partnership to continue their work within the Borough of Woking.

40. THE LIGHTBOX - APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE EXE19-093

RESOLVED

That a one-off grant of 50% of the costs of replacing the sketching stools is awarded up to a maximum of £1,200 from the Community Fund.

Reason: To support the learning programme established by the Lightbox.

41. THE LIGHTHOUSE - APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE EXE19-078

RESOLVED

That a grant of £18,200 be awarded towards operational costs.

Reason: To enable the charity to continue to engage with a high number of users from Woking including those from different cultural backgrounds and ages, with its broad and diverse offer of support for the community and for people in Woking who need help.

42. THE MAYBURY CENTRE TRUST - APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE EXE19-074

RESOLVED

That (i) a one-off capital grant of 50% of the total cost up to a maximum of £4,000 be awarded from the Community Fund towards the purchase of a commercial oven and dishwasher, office equipment, extra storage shed and garden equipment; and

(ii) a revenue grant of £33,683 be awarded towards the costs of the Maybury Centre (£4,683), the Liaise Women's Centre (£15,000), and the Schoolhouse Project (£14,000).

Reason: To enable the Centre to continue in providing its services, including the management of the Schoolhouse Project and the Liaise Women's Centre.

43. THE USEFUL WOOD COMPANY - APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE EXE19-079

RESOLVED

That (i) no revenue funding be awarded for the coming year; and
(ii) a one-off capital award of £13,000 be approved for the purchase of a van.

Reason: The Council is not in a position to provided significant revenue funding for the new project. However, it is in a position to support the purchase of a van, recognising the importance transport plays in the aims and objectives of the Charity.

44. TRANSFORM HOUSING AND SUPPORT - APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE EXE19-107

RESOLVED

That no grant be awarded.

Reason: The application has not provided sufficient justification for the Council to award funding to this large Charity.

45. WEST SURREY MEDIATION SERVICE - APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE EXE19-062

RESOLVED

That a grant of £4,000 be awarded towards the running costs of the service.

Reason: To enable the mediation service to be available for residents of the Borough.

46. WISHEL LAWN TENNIS CLUB - APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE EXE19-105

RESOLVED

That a grant of 50% of the costs of replacing the lighting units at Wishel Lawn Tennis Club be awarded up to a maximum of £11,133.

Reason: To support the Club in its endeavours to improve the playing facilities and reduce the Club's costs through the adoption of energy efficient flood lighting.

47. WOKING AND DISTRICT MEN'S SHED - APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE EXE19-101

The Executive received the report on the application for a grant from Woking and District Men's Shed, which proposed that the Group should liaise with Ward Councillors from Byfleet and West Byfleet to explore the possibility of seeking funds for the purchase of two new sheds at Anchor Homes West Hall care home through the Ward's Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) funds. Councillor Forster stated that he was disappointed that the recommendation was not to award any funds from the Community Fund and suggested that the Executive should consider linking match funding with the approach for CIL funding. Following discussion, it was noted that Members were supportive of the objectives of the Group under the theme of helping to mitigate loneliness amongst older men. However the preference remained for the Group to pursue the possibility of funding through the CIL funds held for Byfleet and West Byfleet.

RESOLVED

That the applicant be advised to pursue alternative sources of capital one-off funding, in particular it is suggested that the Group should be encouraged to discuss the proposals with the Ward Councillors for Byfleet and West Byfleet to explore the possibility of seeking CIL funding.

Reason: To ensure the Group explores alternative sources of funding for this community-based project rather than seek a further one-off capital award from the Community Grants Scheme.

48. WOKING AND SAM BEARE HOSPICES - APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE EXE19-091

RESOLVED

That a grant of £47,400 be awarded towards the cost of the Senior Community Team Leader in the community.

Reason: To support the community nursing team in providing care and support to patients in their own homes in the Borough.

49. WOKING AND WEYBRIDGE BRANCH OF PARKINSONS UK - APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE EXE19-047

RESOLVED

That funding be awarded at the requested level of £3,200 towards hydrotherapy sessions for its Woking-based members.

Reason: The provision of accessible hydrotherapy sessions will help those in the Borough living with Parkinson's to maintain a level of mobility and pain relief for as long as possible, and is in line with the identified priority areas in the Council's Health and Well Being Strategy.

50. WOKING BLACKHAWKS BASKETBALL CLUB - APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE EXE19-080

RESOLVED

That no grant be awarded.

Reason: The Group has not provided sufficient justification in its application for a grant award.

51. WOKING COMMUNITY TRANSPORT (BUSTLER) - APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE EXE19-081

RESOLVED

That a grant of £227,670 be awarded towards the core costs of the existing Borough-wide Dial-A-Ride service.

Reason: To support the Dial-A-Ride service across the Borough of Woking.

52. WOKING COMMUNITY TRANSPORT (TOWN CENTRE BUGGY) - APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE EXE19-082

RESOLVED

That a grant of £18,000 be awarded to assist towards the costs of the Town Centre Buggy service operated by Woking Community Transport.

Reason: To enable Woking Community Transport to continue to provide the Town Centre Buggy service in Woking.

53. WOKING DISTRICT SCOUTS (HANDICAMP) - APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE EXE19-067

RESOLVED

That a grant of £3,500 be awarded towards running costs.

Reason: To ensure the continued services of the Group for Woking residents.

54. WOKING PEOPLE OF FAITH - APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE EXE19-063

RESOLVED

That a grant of £15,000 be awarded towards the core costs of the Group.

Reason: To enable the Group to continue to build strong relationships between people of different faiths and culture in the Borough.

55. WOKING SHOPMOBILITY - APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE EXE19-113

RESOLVED

That a grant of £12,500 be awarded towards running costs.

Reason: To ensure the continued services of the Group for Woking residents.

56. WOKING STREET ANGELS - APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE EXE19-058

RESOLVED

That a grant of £1,000 be awarded towards the costs of the service.

Reason: To ensure the continued services of the Group in the Town Centre during the night-time economy.

57. WOKING STROKEABILITY - APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE EXE19-072

RESOLVED

That a grant of £1,000 be awarded for 2020/21 towards the costs of offering free transport to members travelling to and from exercise sessions at either the Leisure Centre or the pool at Woking Homes.

Reason: Woking Strokeability provides a valued service to stroke sufferers through its exercise and aqua aerobics sessions held in the community.

58. WOKING TALKING NEWSPAPER (1988) ASSOCIATION - APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE EXE19-056

RESOLVED

That funding of £1,870 be awarded towards the cost of renting a room at the Moorcroft Centre.

Reason: To enable Woking Talking Newspaper to continue to provide its service to those people in the Borough with a visual impairment.

59. WOKING UNITED REFORM CHURCH CHARITY - APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE EXE19-057

RESOLVED

That a capital grant of £25,000 be awarded from the Council's Community Fund towards the costs of the kitchen refurbishment.

Reason: To enable the Church to undertake the refurbishment works for the benefit of all users of the community facilities at the venue.

60. WOODHAM PARISH HALL - APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE EXE19-073

RESOLVED

That a one-off grant of 50% of the costs, up to a maximum of £22,694, be awarded from the Community Fund towards the costs of the improvement work to the balustrade, the lavatories and the windows.

Reason: To support the Parish Hall in its work to improve the facilities for the benefit of users of the community facilities.

61. YORK ROAD PROJECT - APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE EXE19-106

RESOLVED

That funding of £53,400 be awarded towards the cost of the service, subject to the funding from Surrey County Council not ceasing otherwise a review of the funding provided would be required.

Reason: To enable the York Road Project to continue its existing valued service provision in the Borough.

62. YOURSANCTUARY - APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE EXE19-096

RESOLVED

That funding of £20,000 be awarded towards the cost of the service.

Reason: To enable the excellent and valued work of the Group tackling Domestic Abuse to take place.

<p>This document was published on Friday, 28 February 2020 and the decisions within it will be implemented on Monday 9 March 2020, subject to call-in.</p>

The meeting commenced at 7.00 pm
and ended at 8.10 pm

Chairman: _____

Date: _____