

HUNTINGDON TOWN COUNCIL**GRANTS SUB COMMITTEE**

A meeting of the Grants Sub Committee was held in the Town Hall, Market Hill, Huntingdon on Thursday 19 April 2018.

Present: Councillors A Beevor; J Dyne (Chairman); S Gifford; S McAdam and B Morrell.

Absent: Councillors R Valatka and J Jacobs

15. **APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from Councillors S Dyne and T Sanderson.

16. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were none.

17. **PUBLIC ADDRESS/ADDRESS BY TOWN COUNCILLORS TO SUB COMMITTEE**

The Mayor asked Members and members of the public whether they would like to address the committee. A Member expressed that they wished to speak, and it was proposed, seconded and

RESOLVED to adjourn the meeting.

Cllr Beevor addressed the meeting regarding the previous Grants Sub Committee on 29th March 2018. Recommendations were made in the previous committee for the allocations of the 2017-18 Budget to grant requests. It was clarified that the previous decisions were in breach of the eligibility matrix and that the remainder of the 2017-18 budget would provide the funds for the grant requests (item 19).

The Mayor thanked Members for their comments and with no further questions, it was proposed, seconded and

RESOLVED to reconvene.

18. **MINUTES**

Copies of the minutes of the meeting of the Grants Sub Committee held on 5th October 2017 (M2) had been circulated following their informal approval by the Chairman. It was proposed, seconded and

RESOLVED that these were a correct record and they were duly signed by the meeting Chairman.

19. **APPLICATIONS FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE**

Copies of applications for a total of £8880 from 11 Organisations were available to Members at the meeting. Members were reminded of the criteria for eligibility for a grant, and informed that the total remaining in the grants budget was £1977.62. Members were also reminded that grants awards were capped at £500.

A Member asked for clarification regarding the Huntingdon Community Group application which includes the hire of the Medway Centre. This was charged at a community rate and the remainder of the sum was awarded in a small cheque for activities. It was confirmed that the hire of the Medway Centre did not contravene with the running cost of organisation regulation.

A Member raised a concern regarding the Huntingdon Muslim Community Association. The application was denied under the discriminates on grounds of gender, race, disability, sexual orientation, religion or belief regulation. The Town Clerk advised that this grant request contravened the Local Government Act 1972 Section 137 1b.

It was recommended that the Fusion Family and Youth Projects request was deferred to next meeting as the funds were requested for August 2018. It was proposed, seconded and

RESOLVED that the Fusion Family and Youth Projects grant request was deferred to next meeting on Thursday 19th July.

It was then

RESOLVED to recommend that the following applications be granted in the amounts shown, subject to the usual conditions and made under the provisions of Section 137, 142, 144 and 145 of the Local Government Act 1972, it being in this Council's opinion that such grants are made in the interests of the area or its inhabitants and that levels of grant are commensurate with levels of benefit derived therefrom:

1. Palace Youth Kids Club - £500
2. Huntingdon and District Cricket - £500
3. Huntingdon Carnival - £500
4. Huntingdon Community Group - £477.62

The amount awarded at the meeting totalled £1977.67, under Section 137(1) of the Local Government Act 1972.

20. **DATE & AGENDA OF THE NEXT MEETING**

The date of the next meeting was noted as Thursday 19th July 2018.

CHAIRMAN