

SALISBURY CITY COUNCIL

Report

Subject : Grant Applications Report – Community Development Grants
Committee : Events, Markets and Grants Sub-Committee
Date : 17 July 2023
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1. Report Summary

- 1.1. This report asks for the committee to consider the 4 medium grant applications and 1 small grant application, received by the Communities Team in the last quarter
- 1.2. The Committee is asked to vote on the awarding of each grant.

2. Background

- 2.1. The 2023/24 budget for Community Development Grants is £25,000
- 2.2. Salisbury City Council (SCC) had already committed £ 20,500 of this budget to previous applications.
- 2.3. Details of this are shown in the Grants Budget Overview – 17 July 2023 (Doc 91448). This document shows that £4,500 of the 2023/24 grants budget remains available.
- 2.4. In April 2023, £1,500 of funding was carried from the previous financial whilst awaiting paperwork from City Gate Church. The church has since declined year 2 of their 2-year grant, resulting in a residual £1,500 of grant funding remaining.
- 2.5. This week the Communities Manager received notice that the Pantry Partnership will cease to trade by November 2023. As such they are declining years 2 and 3 of their 3-year Community Development Grant, at £1,500 per year. This will also release an additional £1,500 into the 2023/24 budget
- 2.6. With the inclusion of the additional £3,000 outlines in 2.4 and 2.5 the budget available at this meeting could be £7,500.
- 2.7. With reference to application 3 under consideration at this meeting, please note that that the SCC Grants Policy specifically allows for “Partner or umbrella organisations supporting smaller groups to access SCC funding by administrating the grant for them” and are able to hold up to 3 grants for this purpose.

3. Community Priorities – Application Breakdown

- 3.1. Community Priorities were incorporated into the SCC Grants Policy and Published on the 20 Jul 2022.
- 3.2. Provided below is a breakdown to the community priority links of all grants approved since that date

| Year | Grant given | Well being | Low Income | Together | Active Lifestyle | Young people | Marginalised Communities | Green City |
|-------|-------------|------------|------------|----------|------------------|--------------|--------------------------|------------|
| 22/23 | £1081 | | X | X | X | | | |
| 22/23 | £673 | X | X | | | | X | |
| 22/23 | £2000 | X | | | X | X | | |
| 22/23 | £2000 | | | X | | X | | X |
| 22/23 | £3000 | X | | X | | | X | |
| 22/23 | £1500 | X | | X | | | | X |
| | | | | | | | | |
| 23/24 | £1000 | X | X | X | | X | | |
| 23/24 | £1500 | X | X | | X | | | |
| 23/24 | £1500 | X | | X | X | | | |
| 23/24 | £3000 | X | X | X | X | | | X |
| | | 8 | 5 | 7 | 5 | 3 | 2 | 2 |

4. Applications:

4.1. There are 5 applications as follows:

| Name of Organisation | Summary of Application | Funds applied for |
|--|---|-------------------|
| Allotments and Gardens Association Salisbury | Replacement and re-location of the AGAS HQ and trading hut. | £3,000 |
| Sounds Better CIC | Sing and Breathe (Singing for lung health introductory courses) | £3,000 |
| Disability Interest Group Salisbury (Umbrella Organisation - Safer and Supportive Salisbury) | Volunteer and Meeting Expenses | £500 |
| Wiltshire Citizen's Advice | Adviser Costs | £3,000 |
| Families Out Loud | Family Support In Salisbury | £2,060 |
| Total | | £11,560 |

4.2. Full details of all applications, including officer's comments, can be found in the document Grant Applications for Review Summary – 17 July 223 (Doc 91447).

5. Overview:

5.1.1. Allotments and Gardens Association Salisbury

5.1.1.1. Application in support of the purchase and siting of 3 containers for storage and the relocation of the Association HQ and trading hub

5.1.1.2. This application relates to 3 Community Priorities

5.1.2. Sounds Better CIC

5.1.2.1. Application in support of two Sing and Breath (for respiratory and lung health) courses in Bemerton Heath

5.1.2.2. This application relates to 3 Community Priorities

5.1.3. Disability Interest Group Salisbury (Umbrella Organisation - Safer and Supportive Salisbury)

5.1.3.1. Application in support of volunteer and meeting costs for the group's wider activity.

5.1.3.2. This application relates to 4 Community Priorities

5.1.4. Wiltshire Citizen's Advice

5.1.4.1. Application in support of the provision of the telephone, email and face to face advice service in Salisbury

5.1.4.2. This application relates to 2 Community Priorities

5.1.5. Families Out Loud

5.1.5.1. Application in support of the provision and expansion of Family Support services for families challenged by someone else's drug and alcohol dependency.

5.1.5.2. This application Relates to 4 Community Priorities

6. Next Steps:

6.1. It is suggested that the Sub Committee consider and discuss the applications in the report on their merit.

6.2. The Sub Committee may also wish to consider how to allocate the remaining funds, given that all applications comprehensively meet eligibility and community priority minimum expectations, considering the following possible approaches:

6.2.1. Giving preference to projects meeting 3 or more community priorities rather than 2, the stated minimum in the SCC Grants Policy

6.2.2. Giving preference to applications addressing SCC community priorities underserved by applications since June 2022, when the Community Priorities were included in the Grants Policy.

6.2.3. Part funding a range of applications.

6.2.4. Fully funding a smaller number of applications

7. Recommendations:

It is recommended that the Sub Committee:

7.1. Agree to include the residual £1,500 from the 2022/23 budget in this year's Grant budget, thereby allocating the funds as originally intended.

7.2. Agree the award of grants for the applications shown in this report.

8. Wards Affected:

8.1. All wards

9. Background papers:

- 9.1. SCC Grants Policy (DOC 90291)
- 9.2. Grants Budget Overview – 17 July 2023 (DOC 91448)
- 9.3. Grant Applications For Review Summary – 17 July 2023 (DOC 91447)

10. Implications:

- 10.1. **Financial:** Within agreed budget
- 10.2. **Legal:** None in relation to this report.
- 10.3. **Personnel:** None in relation to this report
- 10.4. **Environmental Impact:** None in relation to this report
- 10.5. **Equalities Impact Statement:** Equality and inclusion policies requested from all applicants.