

SALISBURY CITY COUNCIL

Subject : Salisbury City Community Lottery- Good Causes
Committee : Communities Committee
Date : 6 October 2025
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1. Report Summary:

1.1 This report asks the committee to approve two good causes and the removal of one organisation as a good cause.

2. Background:

2.1 Salisbury City Community Lottery is a weekly lottery that raises money for good causes in the Salisbury City area. All good causes supported by the Lottery will benefit the Salisbury City area and its residents. Details can be found here:

<https://www.salisburycommunitylottery.co.uk>

2.2 Salisbury City Community Lottery Good Causes must be operating or delivering a service within the City Boundary and for the demonstrable benefit of Salisbury City Residents.

2.3 Eligible groups are Associations, Charities, Clubs, CIC's, Social Enterprises, Constituted Community Groups and Societies.

2.4 Eligible good causes must have a bank account and two signatories.

2.5 The lottery currently has 60 live causes.

3. Applications for review:

There are 3 applications for review:

- 3.1 - Fear Free- approved in principle subject to meeting eligibility criteria
- 3.2 - Carer Support Wiltshire- required additional documentation for eligibility
- 3.3 - 1st Bemerton Guide Unit- required additional documentation for eligibility

3.1. Fear Free

3.1.1 This charity is dedicated to breaking the cycle of domestic abuse, sexual violence and stalking in Salisbury and across Wiltshire.

3.1.2 Fear Free's good causes application was considered at Events, Markets and Grants Subcommittee on 27th January 2025. Approval as a good cause was granted in principle with a hold on payments until Fear Free had a mechanism in place to ringfence funds to ensure a demonstrable benefit for Salisbury City Residents. This payment hold has not affected the charity as to date there have been no good cause funds generated with Fear Free as the nominated beneficiary.

3.1.3 Fear Free have provided confirmation of a mechanism in place for good cause funds received from Salisbury City Community Lottery to be incorporated into a crisis fund pot that is ringfenced for the use of clients solely from Salisbury city- this application now meets required eligibility criteria for Salisbury Community Lottery good causes.

3.2. Carer Support Wiltshire

3.2.1 Carer Support Wiltshire is a charity that understands and supports unpaid carers who operate across Wiltshire.

3.2.2 Their application was reviewed against eligibility criteria and additional documentation was requested including safeguarding policies, public liability insurance information and clarity of how they would ensure any Salisbury City Lottery funds received would be ringfenced for the benefit of the Salisbury City residents.

3.2.3 All required documentation has now been provided and confirmation of a mechanism to ensure received that any good cause funds received are ringfenced solely for the use of Salisbury based peer support clients and initiatives within Salisbury parish. This application now meets required eligibility criteria for Salisbury Community Lottery good causes.

3.3 1st Bemerton Guide Unit

3.3.1 Additional information to assess eligibility was requested by the Interim Head of Communities including public liability information, safeguarding policies, and further information on how funds generated from Salisbury City Community Lottery would support or benefit the residents of Salisbury.

3.3.2 After failure to receive a response, this information request was followed up a repeat request for information and subsequent follow up discussion with the applicant and Head of Community Services in September.

3.3.3 The applicant was made aware that without the required information they are ineligible as a good cause for the Salisbury City Community Lottery. There have been no Lottery tickets purchased with 1st Bemerton Guide Unit as the nominated good cause recipient to date and therefore no additional funds generated. As a result, the applicant has decided that they no longer wish to be considered as a good cause and will not be proceeding further with this approval process as a good cause. Evidence to date suggests this decision will have minimal impact on this organisation.

4. Recommendation:

4.1 It is recommended that the Committee:

- Approve Fear Free and Carer Support Wiltshire as good causes for Salisbury City Community Lottery.
- Acknowledge the withdrawal and subsequent removal of 1st Bemerton Guide Unit as a nominated good cause.

Wards Affected: All

Background papers:

Implications:

Financial: Officer administration time

Legal: All activity for Salisbury City Community Lottery must be taken within agreed terms of the licence License holder, Louise Webber

Personnel: None in relation to this report

Environmental Impact: None in relation to this report.

Equalities Impact Statement: None in relation to this report.