

**NORTH YORKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**

**COUNTY AREA COMMITTEE FOR THE HARROGATE DISTRICT**

**GRANTS SUB-COMMITTEE**

Minutes of the meeting held on 18 February 2011 at the Cairn Hotel, Harrogate.

**PRESENT:-**

Members: County Councillor Bernard Bateman MBE (in the Chair); County Councillors John Batt, M-A de Courcey-Bayley, John Savage, Cliff Trotter and Geoff Webber.

Co-opted Members: Parish Councillor Eric Clark and Borough Councillor Bob Nash.

Two members of the public.

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**72. MINUTES**

**RESOLVED –**

That the Minutes of the meeting held on 9 December 2010, having been printed and circulated, be taken as read and be confirmed and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

**73. EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC**

**RESOLVED -**

That the public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the quotation and balance sheet/income and expenditure account accompanying each application for funding submitted to this meeting on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 3 of Part 1 to Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972, as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006.

**74. PUBLIC QUESTIONS OR STATEMENTS**

There were no questions or statements from members of the public.

**75. AREA COMMITTEE BUDGET MONITORING STATEMENT 2010/11**

**CONSIDERED -**

The Budget Monitoring Statement as at 3 February 2011 advising that the amount uncommitted, as at that date, was £42,837.

**RESOLVED –**

That the budget Monitoring Statement be noted.

**76. APPLICATIONS FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE**

**Notes:**

- (a) **Prior to consideration of the application submitted by Alzheimer's Society, Ripon and Harrogate District, County Councillor John Savage declared a personal interest because he was a member of the Alzheimer Forum at Ripon.**

CONSIDERED –

The report of the Assistant Chief Executive (Legal and Democratic Services) inviting the Sub-Committee to determine/make recommendations in respect of 27 applications for financial assistance.

**RESOLVED –**

- (a) Application from Friends of Valley Gardens towards the employment of a landscape architect as a consultant with regards to a survey of the area surrounding the Old Magnesia Well –
- (i) That a grant of £2,500 be made, to be funded as follows:- £1,000 to be funded from the allocation for County Councillor Jim Clark, £500 be made to be funded from the allocation for County Councillor J W Marshall and £1,000 to be funded from the allocation for County Councillor Don Mackenzie.
  - (ii) That the application be referred to the Area Committee to provide opportunity for other Members to recommend further contributions.
- (b) Application from Alzheimer's Society, Ripon & Harrogate District towards holding drop in cafes – that a grant of £2,000 be made, to be funded from the allocation for County Councillor John Savage.
- (c) Application from Knox Valley Residents Association and Bilton Conservation Group to lift, re-lay and re-point stone sets across the walkway of Spruisty Bridge - that a grant of £1,585 be made, to be funded as follows:- £935 from the allocation for County Councillor Geoff Webber, £500 from the allocation for County Councillor Andrew Goss and £150 from the allocation for County Councillor Heather Garnett.
- (d) Application from Roecliffe and Westwick Parish Council towards a notice board – that a grant of £600 be made, to be funded from the allocation for County Councillor John Watson OBE.
- (e) Application from Knaresborough and District Men's Forum towards a digital projector - that a grant of £400 be made, to be funded as follows:- £200 from the allocation for County Councillor Bill Hoult and £200 from the allocation for County Councillor John Batt.
- (f) Application from Supporting Older People to extend 'Tea and Talk Tuesday' to include activities and to provide monthly outings into the country for the lonely, frail and elderly in specially adapted mini-buses –
- (i) That a grant of £900 be made, to be funded as follows:- £200 from the allocation for County Councillor Bill Hoult, £200 from the allocation for County Councillor John Fox and £500 from the allocation for County Councillor M-A de Courcey-Bayley.
  - (iii) That the application be referred to the Area Committee to provide opportunity for other Members to recommend further contributions.

- (g) Application from Starbeck in Bloom towards the annual fruit, flower and vegetable show in August 2011 – that a grant of £275 be made, to be funded from the allocation for County Councillor John Fox.
- (h) Application from Knaresborough New Allotment Association (KNAA) towards fencing three sides of the allotment site - that a grant of £800 be made, to be funded as follows:- £400 from the allocation for County Councillor John Batt and £400 from the allocation for County Councillor Bill Hoult.
- (i) Application from St Michaels Hospice to purchase a heated food trolley for the in-patient unit – that a grant of £620 be made, to be funded from the allocation for County Councillor Keith Barnes.
- (j) Application from Open Country towards a new computer – that a grant of £400 be made, to be funded from the allocation for County Councillor John Fox.
- (k) Application from Age Concern Knaresborough towards a replacement fridge and freezer –
  - (i) That a grant of £400 be made, to be funded from the allocation for County Councillor Bill Hoult.
  - (ii) That the application be referred to the Area Committee to provide opportunity for other Members to recommend further contributions.
- (l) Application from St Wilfred Procession Committee to enable Ripon's traditional St Wilfrd Procession to take place annually – that a grant of £500 be made, to be funded from the allocation for County Councillor Andrew Williams.
- (m) Application from Harrogate Citizens Advice Bureau to purchase twelve computers –
  - (i) That a grant of £2,585 be made, to be funded as follows:- £1,000 from the allocation for County Councillor Andrew Goss, £750 from the allocation for County Councillor J W Marshall, £200 from the allocation for County Councillor Bill Hoult and £635 from the allocation for County Councillor Keith Barnes.
  - (ii) That the application be referred to the Area Committee to provide opportunity for other Members to recommend further contributions.
- (n) Application from Starbeck in Bloom towards the extension of banners, a new seat and planter on the High Street – that, subject to a quotation for the new seat being received, a grant of £800 be made, to be funded from the allocation for County Councillor M-A de Courcey-Bayley.
- (o) Application from Killinghall Village Hall Trust towards replacing four formica topped tables, with a new purpose built central island food preparation area – that a grant of £300 be made, to be funded from the allocation for County Councillor Heather Garnett.
- (p) Application from Pannal Community Primary School to install external security lighting to improve evening and weekend access – that the Area Committee be recommended to refuse this application on the grounds that it does not meet the funding criteria, as the application is towards a project that could be funded from the school's LEA budget.

- (q) Application from Renaissance Knaresborough to enhance Eastfield Play Area – that a grant of £975 be made, to be funded as follows:- £300 from the allocation for County Councillor Bill Hoult, £400 from the allocation for County Councillor John Batt and £275 from the allocation for County Councillor Andrew Goss.
- (r) Application from Harrogate and Area Council for Voluntary Service towards the purchase and installation of a new telephone system –
  - (i) That a grant of £500 be made, to be funded from the allocation for County Councillor Jim Clark.
  - (ii) That the application be referred to the Area Committee to provide opportunity for other Members to recommend further contributions.
- (s) Application from Harrogate CVS – Minority Ethnic Development Project towards translating an information leaflet for new arrivals to the Harrogate District into five other languages – that the application be deferred to the next Grants Sub-Committee meeting, to allow County Councillor John Fox to make a recommendation towards the project.
- (t) Application from Friends of Jacob Smith Park towards ecological works, including planting of native hedge and tree species, to enhance and protect the flora and fauna of the park – that a grant of £750 be made, to be funded from the allocation for County Councillor John Batt.
- (u) Application from Knaresborough Festival of Entertainment and Visual Arts (FEVA) towards the cost of staging the following events; Children’s Activity Afternoon at Henshaws Arts and Crafts Centre, Children’s Story Telling Events at Knaresborough Library and Picnic in the Park at Knaresborough House – that a grant of £1,000 be made, to be funded from the allocation for County Councillor John Batt.
- (v) Application from North Yorkshire Learning Consortium (NYLC) on behalf of Chain Lane Community Centre Steering Group (CLSG) in association with Harrogate CVS to run a celebration and open day to celebrate the saving of and continuation of services at Chain Lane Community Centre – that the application be deferred to the next Grants Sub-Committee meeting for consideration for the following reasons –
  - (i) To allow the applicant time to provide a copy of the organisation’s Constitution.
  - (ii) To invite the applicant to attend the next Grants Sub-Committee meeting to answer any questions relating to the application that Members may have.
- (w) Application from Harrogate and District Advocacy to provide advocacy services for people who are affected by the present economic situation – that the application be deferred to the next Grants Sub-Committee meeting for consideration, to allow the applicant time to provide a copy of the organisation’s Constitution.
- (x) Application from Orb Community Arts (Orb Community Enterprise) towards a set of promotional banners to be used at events – that a grant of £550 be made, to be funded from the allocation for County Councillor John Fox.

- (y) Application from Orb Community Arts (Orb Community Enterprise) to improve the central heating system and internal sound proofing –
- (i) That a grant of £1,675 be made, to be funded as follows:- £500 from the allocation for County Councillor John Batt, £275 from the allocation for County Councillor Andrew Goss, £250 from the allocation for County Councillor Bill Houlton, £150 from the allocation for County Councillor Don MacKenzie, £400 from the allocation for County Councillor J W Marshall and £100 from the allocation for County Councillor Andrew Williams.
  - (ii) That the application be referred to the Area Committee to provide opportunity for other Members to recommend further contributions.
- (z) Application from the Rotary Club of Harrogate Brigantes towards the expenses of organising the Service of Remembrance at the Common Wealth War Graves Cemetery, Stonefall, Harrogate on Sunday 13 November 2011 –
- (i) That a grant of £400 be made, to be funded as follows:- £200 from the allocation for County Councillor J W Marshall and £200 from the allocation for County Councillor John Fox.
  - (ii) That the application be referred to the Area Committee to provide opportunity for other Members to recommend further contributions.
- (aa) Application from St Wilfrid's Parish Church towards new external church signage – that the Area Committee be recommended to refuse this application on the grounds that it does not meet the funding criteria. As stated within the funding guidelines, 'Grants will not be available to repair/maintain/improve/equip buildings whose sole purpose is religious worship. However, grants may be awarded for projects relating to community facilities which are in or adjacent to buildings of religious worship', there was no supporting information submitted with the application to show how the local community used the church or surrounding buildings.

**77. NEXT MEETING**

**RESOLVED –**

That the next meeting take place on Tuesday 22 March 2011, at 10.00 am at The Cairn Hotel.

LB/ALJ