

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Decision Report

Decision Maker:	Executive Member for Recreation and Heritage
Date:	19 September 2019
Title:	Grant Funding to Culture and Community Organisations in Hampshire 2019/20
Report From:	Director of Culture, Communities and Business Services

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Purpose of this Report

1. The purpose of this report is to recommend funding awards to Culture and Community organisations in Hampshire that have submitted applications to the Recreation and Heritage Community Fund.
2. The report notes anticipated closure by the end of 2019 of the Recreation and Heritage Community Fund to new applications and Expressions of Interest this financial year and recommends a review of the fund's first year of operation, to include investigations into future administration of the fund.
3. The report also provides an update on the financial position of the Recreation and Heritage Community Fund.

Recommendation(s)

4. The Executive Member for Recreation and Heritage approves awards from the Recreation and Heritage Community Fund 2019/20 totalling £153,937 to cultural, recreational and community organisations across Hampshire as outlined in Appendix 2.
5. Agrees that Officers monitor levels of applications and Expressions of Interest to the Recreation and Heritage Community Fund against available funds, anticipating closure of the fund by the end of 2019.

Executive Summary

6. This report seeks approval from the Executive Member for Recreation and Heritage for £153,937 of awards to cultural, recreational and community organisations across Hampshire.
7. This report seeks approval that Officers monitor levels of applications and Expressions of Interest to the Recreation and Heritage Community fund 2019/20 against available funds, anticipating closure of the fund by the end of 2019.
8. This report notes that officers are investigating moving the administration of the Recreation and Heritage Community Fund from the in-house grants database to the Council's e-tendering system, In-Tend.
9. This report also provides an update on the financial position of the Recreation and Heritage Community Fund.

Contextual Information

Recreation and Heritage Community Fund Grants

10. The purpose of this grant stream is to fund projects which provide community benefit and help local communities thrive and/or to help local organisations become financially self-supporting and not reliant on public sector funding. In addition, small one-off grants from £1,000 to £3,000 will also be awarded to help pump-prime community events and activities. Full details, including what the County Council can and cannot fund, are set out in Appendix 1.
11. Fifteen organisations have applied for funding and the details are set out in Appendix 2.

Recreation and Heritage Community Fund Operation

12. The Recreation and Heritage Community Fund has now been in operation for six months.
13. Awards have been made through the fund at three Executive Member Decision Days and the value of these is set out, below, under Finance. A good level of Expressions of Interest for larger awards has been received, with the majority assessed to date being invited to full application.
14. In light of the value of applications and Expressions of Interest in process, set against the remaining balance of funds, it is recommended Officers monitor

levels of applications, anticipating closure of the fund to further applications this financial year by the end of 2019.

15. This course of action is suggested to manage the expectations of potential applicants, to prevent organisations working up applications which the fund will not have the capacity to meet and to enable any organisations planning to apply this financial year to do so before the fund is closed.
16. The closure of the fund to further applications at the end of 2019 provides an opportunity for Officers to carry out a review of its first year of operation to inform future delivery. This will include an investigation into moving administration of the fund from the in-house grants database to the Council's e-tendering system, In-Tend, to ensure the scheme is managed as efficiently as possible.

Finance

17. The total draft grants budget for 2019/20 for the portfolio of the Executive Member for Recreation and Heritage is £938,000, made up of £813,000 revenue funding and £125,000 capital funding. Of this, £453,000 was awarded to cultural and community organisations at the Executive Member's Decision Day on 14 January 2019, leaving £485,000 for 2019/20.
18. Budget Update:

Revenue funding	£813,000
Capital funding	£125,000
Total grants budget 19/20	£938,000
Previously awarded (decision day 14 January 2019)	(£453,000)
Transfer from 18/19 capital (decision day 25 February 2019)	£98,809
Previously awarded (decision day 25 February 2019)	(£12,959)
Previously awarded (decision day 7 May 2019)	(£86,860)
Amount not taken up	£15,000
Previously awarded (decision day 11 July 2019)	(£92,184)
Available	£406,806
Recommendations for approval	(£153,937)
Remaining budget	£252,869

Other Key Issues

19. Legal Implications: The Council has wide powers under Section 19 Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 to provide recreational facilities and to contribute by way of a grant or loan towards the expenses incurred by voluntary bodies in providing such facilities and activities.

REQUIRED CORPORATE AND LEGAL INFORMATION:

Links to the Strategic Plan

Hampshire maintains strong and sustainable economic growth and prosperity:	no
People in Hampshire live safe, healthy and independent lives:	yes
People in Hampshire enjoy a rich and diverse environment:	yes
People in Hampshire enjoy being part of strong, inclusive communities:	yes

Other Significant Links

Links to previous Member decisions:	
<u>Title</u>	<u>Date</u>
Grant Funding for Culture and Community Organisations in Hampshire	14 January 2019
Grant Funding for Culture and Community Organisations in Hampshire 2019-20	25 February 2019
Grant Funding for Culture and Community Organisations in Hampshire 2019-20	7 May 2019
Grant Funding for Culture and Community Organisations in Hampshire 2019-20	11 July 2019
Direct links to specific legislation or Government Directives	
<u>Title</u>	<u>Date</u>

Section 100 D - Local Government Act 1972 - background documents

The following documents discuss facts or matters on which this report, or an important part of it, is based and have been relied upon to a material extent in the preparation of this report. (NB: the list excludes published works and any documents which disclose exempt or confidential information as defined in the Act.)

<u>Document</u>	<u>Location</u>
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None

EQUALITIES IMPACT ASSESSMENT:

1. Equality Duty

The County Council has a duty under Section 149 of the Equality Act 2010 ('the Act') to have due regard in the exercise of its functions to the need to:

- Eliminate discrimination, harassment and victimisation and any other conduct prohibited by or under the Act with regard to the protected characteristics as set out in section 4 of the Act (age, disability, gender reassignment, marriage and civil partnership, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex and sexual orientation);
- Advance equality of opportunity between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic within section 149(7) of the Act (age, disability, gender reassignment, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex and sexual orientation) and those who do not share it;
- Foster good relations between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic within section 149(7) of the Act (see above) and persons who do not share it.

Due regard in this context involves having due regard in particular to:

- The need to remove or minimise disadvantages suffered by persons sharing a relevant protected characteristic that are connected to that characteristic;
- Take steps to meet the needs of persons sharing a relevant protected characteristic that are different from the needs of persons who do not share it;
- Encourage persons sharing a relevant protected characteristic to participate in public life or in any other activity in which participation by such persons is disproportionately low.

2. Equalities Impact Assessment:

A high level Equalities Impact Assessment has been undertaken. The grants are intended to have a positive impact and advance equality.

Criteria for Recreation and Heritage Community Fund

What is Funded?

The priority of the scheme is to fund projects which:

- Provide community benefit and help local communities thrive
- Help local organisations become financially self-supporting and not reliant on public sector funding

In addition, small one-off grants from £1,000 to £3,000 will also be awarded to help pump-prime community events and activities.

The programme is not designed to be overly prescriptive.

Applicants must support the priorities and outcomes of Hampshire County Council's [Serving Hampshire - Strategic Plan for 2017-2021](#). It forms the cornerstone of all strategies and plans across departments and service areas, and features four key aims:

- Hampshire maintains strong and sustainable economic growth and prosperity
- People in Hampshire live safe, healthy and independent lives
- People in Hampshire enjoy a rich and diverse environment
- People in Hampshire enjoy being part of strong, inclusive communities

What is not Funded?

The following organisations are not funded under this scheme:

- Individuals
- Services provided solely within the unitary authority areas of Portsmouth City Council and/or Southampton City Council
- Other local authorities, including District, Parish and Town Councils
- Commercial/Profit-Making organisations
- Schools, including pre-schools and colleges

The following projects are not funded under this scheme:

- The purchase of land.
- Capital works that have already been carried out. We cannot retrospectively fund projects; grants are awarded for works to be carried out in the future.
- Ongoing staff costs. We may fund a fixed-term member of staff or consultant to carry out a time-limited piece of work.
- Fund-raising activities.
- Projects which meet the aims of other Hampshire County Council grant schemes. Where relevant, applications may be transferred to more appropriate schemes.

Organisations will not be awarded more than one grant per financial year and previously funded projects must be completed before a new application is made.

Grant Criteria and Eligibility

Organisations must be properly constituted with clear and effective local governance and management structures. Organisations will not normally be eligible for grants where they hold unallocated reserves in excess of one year's running costs. Where it is judged that unallocated reserves are unreasonably in excess of what is required or not allocated for legitimate purposes, those organisations may receive a reduced grant. All charitable organisations are expected to have an agreed reserves policy that addresses their financial risk.

Projects should be well developed with match-funding secured. Organisations should have also applied to local District or Parish Councils where local funding opportunities exist.

Hampshire County Council will normally fund up to a maximum grant of £100,000. Please contact CCBS Grants to discuss any proposals in excess of this.

Match funding or clear evidence of seeking match funding is highly desirable although not essential.

We would expect any applications for new buildings or large extensions to show consideration has been given to the development of a [Changing Place](#) even if it is not included in the final project.

All applicants will be expected to have obtained permission from the landlord to undertake the capital work. If required applicants will also be expected to have obtained (or engaged in the process of) planning permission and/or listed buildings consent (if appropriate) to carry out the works.

Where appropriate, depending on the grant sum requested, the organisation will be expected to submit supporting documentation.

Recreation and Heritage Community Fund 2019/20 Application Assessment Summary

Each grant application has been assessed against the fund criteria (Appendix 1) using a standard template.

Organisation (District / Division)	Project Title (Project Costs)	Proposal	Amount Requested	Amount Recommended
Blue Apple Theatre Countywide project	Increasing Learning Disability opportunities for theatre arts £139,562	<p>The organisation uses drama and theatre activities to develop participants confidence, to support mental health and wellbeing and to provide access to those who aren't able to or who don't usually access such opportunities. It seeks funding to expand work with adults and young people who have learning disabilities. Funding will support additional staff to establish new hubs and a new communications post to develop outreach and marketing, with the aim of generating more audiences and supporters and therefore more income, with the aim of the new hubs becoming self-sustainable.</p> <p>It is not clear from the application how many Hampshire Residents are expected to benefit from the project.</p> <p>The organisation has committed £35,453 of its own funds to the project. It has secured £7,500 from Winchester City Council, £30,436 from Big Lottery Fund, £5,000 from Leathersellers' Charitable Trust and £18,893 from donations. It has applied for £20,000 from Big Lottery Fund (expected outcome 01/02/2020) and expects to generate £12,281 from further donations.</p> <p>Note: The organisation has benefited from CCBS grants for many years (£2,000 in 2012/13, £5,000 in 2013/14, £5,000 in 2014/15, £3,000 in 2015/16, £3,000 in 2016/17, £3,000 in 2017/18, £3,000 in 2018/19).</p> <p>It is recommended the application is partially supported and the organisation is awarded £7,500 towards the creation of new hubs. No further applications from the organisation for this work will be considered through this grant scheme.</p>	£9,999	£7,500
Churches Together in Totton and Forest Edge	Totton Family Fun Day £7,600	<p>The organisation seeks funding towards an Annual Family Fun Day which has been taking place since 2002. The application lacks detail about community impact and outcomes and there is no evidence of engaging disadvantaged groups or of ensuring the needs of vulnerable people are prioritised or met. As this is not a new or developmental project, it does not meet the scheme criteria.</p> <p>6,000 Hampshire Residents are expected to benefit from the project.</p>	£3,000	£0

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Churches Together, cont. New Forest, Totton South and Marchwood		The organisation has applied for £3,000 from Co-op community fund (expected outcome 01/11/2019), £1,200 from Bradbeers (expected outcome 01/05/2020) and £400 from Asda community fund (expected outcome 01/05/2020). Councillor Harrison supports the application. Note: The organisation has received £500 County Councillor Grants towards this event for the last two years. As this is not pump-priming activity and therefore not eligible under the scheme criteria, it is recommended the application is not supported.		
Guide Dogs for the Blind Association Countywide project	My Guide - ensuring no one is left out £25,240	The organisation seeks funding to increase My Guide delivery locally by recruiting and training ten volunteers (including one lead volunteer), each to be partnered with a Visually Impaired person and act as a personal guide. This is not new or developmental in nature and is an expansion of existing provision. The project costs include £22,452 which would not be considered eligible costs under the scheme criteria (existing/ongoing staff time to develop the project, travel expenses for existing/ongoing staff, contribution to overheads including organisation venue and management costs). The organisation has not approached any other sources of funding. 30 Hampshire Residents are expected to benefit. The organisation has committed £5,983 of its own funds to the project. As the activity is not new or developmental in nature, the majority of project costs are not eligible under the scheme criteria and the organisation has not actively sought funding from any other sources, it is recommended the application is not supported.	£19,257	£0
Kempshott Village Hall Basingstoke and Deane, Basingstoke South West	Environment and Wellbeing Project (toilets and flooring) £34,650	The organisation seeks funding towards a refurbishment programme to provide level floors and pathway, install LED lighting and improve existing toilets and install a new disabled toilet. The addition of a new disabled toilet to serve a back room, which is accessed separately, does not seem well thought out as there is currently no access to plumbing and there is little evidence that it will generate additional use. Estimates have not been provided for this element of the project. The organisation's business plan requires development. It is not clear from the application Hampshire Residents are expected to benefit from the project, but the ward has a population of approx. 6,800. The organisation has applied for £17,325 from Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council. Councillor Reid supports the application.	£17,325	£15,000

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		Note: The organisation was awarded £2,500 County Councillor Grant 2017/18 towards refurbishment of the community room. It is recommended the application is partially supported and the organisation is awarded up to 50% of project costs to a maximum of £15,000, excluding the new toilet to the back room from the project and on condition an improved Business Plan is submitted and match-funding from Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council is secured.		
Locks Heath Free Church Fareham, Fareham Titchfield	Locks Heath Free Church - Community Centre Conversion £578,805	The organisation seeks funding towards the conversion of the existing church building into community space following completion of new £4.6m church building. The community space will include dedicated pre-school room, kitchenette, toilets, youth suite, upstairs and downstairs multi-use rooms. The organisation has a waiting list for community bookings that cannot be met by current local facilities. There will be complete disability and wheelchair access with double wide doors, ramps and refurbished toilets. The building will conform to ambitious energy and insulation standards including double glazing, loft insulation and water efficiency/saving. 750 Hampshire Residents are expected to benefit from the project. The organisation has committed £75,000 of its own funds to the project. It has secured £40,000 from Fareham Borough Council, £20,000 from The Beatrice Laing Trust Fund and £125,000 from church members' giving/fundraising to date. It expects to generate a further £123,900 from church members' future pledges and fundraising in 2019/20. Councillor Hockley fully supports the application. Note: The organisation was awarded County Councillor Grants of £1,000 in 2019/20, £690 in 2018/19 and £700 in 2017/18 to support children's activities. A 'without prejudice' letter was issued to the organisation in advance of the decision day. It is recommended the organisation is awarded up to 7% of project costs to a maximum of £40,000.	£40,000	£40,000
Made By Katie Green Ltd Project to be delivered in Aldershot and Fareham	The Imagination Museum in Aldershot and Fareham £30,943	Made by Katie Green is a Surrey-based contemporary dance company and is a private company limited by guarantee. The application is to support bringing a wider project to two locations in Hampshire (Aldershot and Fareham) to work with a museum and school in each location to deliver a performance and a series of workshops leading to a community performance. This is part of a wider project, marking the 400th Anniversary of the sailing of the Mayflower, that the organisation is delivering around the country. The application is	£3,000	£0

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		<p>to fund the engagement of a local Hampshire artist to support community workshops and other elements of the project will take place without Council funding. 800 Hampshire Residents are expected to benefit from the project. The organisation has committed £800 of its own funds to the project. It has secured £6,666 from Hampshire Cultural Trust (as part of an award to support the project in three locations, one of which is outside of Hampshire) and £8,041 from Arts Council England. It has applied for £3,800 in Hampshire County Councillor Grants, expects to generate £200 from 'pay what you feel' income from performances and will benefit in-kind from £8,036 from museums, schools and its own services. No applications have been submitted to local council/s which is one of the criteria for this fund. Councillors Dibbs, Choudhary, Latham and Birkett were invited to comment.</p> <p>As the majority of the project will take place without an award from this fund and the organisation has not sought funding from other local council/s, it is recommended the application is not supported.</p>		
MHA Gosport Live at Home Gosport	Gosport Past and Present £13,040	<p>MHA is a charity providing care, accommodation and support services for older people. It has applied for funding towards a year-long programme of cultural trips to museums and cultural organisations for socially isolated older people. The majority of projects costs are for transport. The project is not new or developmental in nature and more immersive partnership with cultural organisations would provide greater impact. Officers from Adults Health and Care department note the potential value of the project to socially isolated older people in the area. 300 Hampshire Residents are expected to benefit from the project. The organisation has committed £720 of its own funds to the project and expects to generate £2,500 from participants' contributions. County Councillors for Gosport were invited to comment.</p> <p>Note: The organisation has been awarded £9,998 by Adults Health and Care to expand services in Bridgemary, Gosport, responding to Council identified need. It would have to be confirmed that the majority of recipients of any award through this grant scheme would be different, to avoid potential 'double funding'.</p> <p>It is recommended the application is deferred and the organisation is advised to reapply for up to £3,000 pump-priming award, taking into account feedback on immersive partnership work with cultural organisations and ensuring there is no 'double-funding' of participants benefiting from Adults Health and Care award.</p>	£9,820	DEFER

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Oakhanger Village Hall East Hampshire, Alton Rural	Oakhanger Village Hall Extension Project £135,000	<p>The organisation seeks funding towards an extension to the rear and side of the village hall, to provide a larger and a second meeting room that can also be used as a storage area, leading to improved and increased facilities for the local community, which is growing due to new housing developments in Whitehill and Bordon. The organisation's business plan is only for one year and needs development, particularly around future marketing of the improved facilities to ensure the potential for increased income generation is achieved.</p> <p>It is not clear from the application how many Hampshire Residents are expected to benefit from the project, but the population of the civil parish of Selborne (which includes Oakhanger) is approx. 1,300.</p> <p>The organisation has committed £10,000 of its own funds to the project and has secured £10,000 from Selborne Parish Council, £1,000 from East Hampshire District Council, £2,000 from Tesco Community 'Bag' Fund and £10,000 from Bernard Sunley Foundation. It has applied for £25,000 from East Hampshire District Council (expected outcome 31/08/2019), £10,000 from Garfield Weston Foundation (expected outcome 31/10/2019) and £27,000 from Action with Communities in Rural England (expected outcome 31/08/2019). It expects to generate £1,000 from annual events in 2019, £1,500 from donations and to benefit from in-kind contributions of £3,000 in professional fees and building works and £3,850 from local business donations.</p> <p>Councillor Kemp-Gee fully supports the application.</p> <p>It is recommended the organisation is awarded up to 19% of project costs to a maximum of £25,000 on condition that a three-year business plan is developed, to include a marketing plan, and that East Hampshire District Council match-funding is secured.</p>	£25,000	£25,000
Pelly Orchestra Rushmoor, Farnborough South	Family Concert £1,997	<p>The organisation seeks funding to deliver a family friendly orchestral performance of music from 'The Snowman' be accompanied by the film and performed on one night in Salesian College, an independent school in Farnborough. While this is a new activity for this orchestra, it is not something that is new or developmental in nature generally. There is no wider engagement with the community beyond the performance. The application suggests income from ticket sales will more than cover the costs of the performance and therefore there is no evidence that funding from the Council is needed for the activity to take place. 300 Hampshire Residents are expected to benefit from the project.</p>	£1,000	£0

Organisation (District / Division)	Project Title (Project Costs)	Proposal	Amount Requested	Amount Recommended
		<p>The organisation has committed £500 of its own funds to the project. It expects to generate £2,500 in ticket sales and to benefit in-kind from £320 of volunteer support. Councillor Dibbs was invited to comment.</p> <p>As the activity is already self-sustaining and there is no funding shortfall, it is recommended the application is not supported.</p>		
Platform 4 Theatre Company Winchester, Winchester Eastgate and Winchester Westgate	Blind and Partially Sighted /Climate Change Triffids Mash Up Music Project £23,700	<p>The organisation seeks funding to support a one-off project with participants who are blind or partially sighted that will create an audio for a tour of performances across Hampshire and the UK. Residents from Winchester who are blind or partially sighted will participate in a series of workshops where they will record their experiences, memories and stories around climate change, enabling them to access creative opportunities and also enabling participants' voices and experiences to be heard and captured. Project partners include Winchester Hat Fair, The Point Eastleigh and Wessex Sound and Film Archive. The project widens engagement in culture and recreation to a marginalised group and feeds into a larger project against which the organisation has secured Arts Council England funding to deliver.</p> <p>500 Hampshire Residents are expected to benefit from the project.</p> <p>The organisation has committed £15,400 of its own funds to the project and has secured £800 from private donations. It expects to generate £200 from donations and will benefit from in-kind contributions of £4,500 in rehearsal space, equipment use and music productions space.</p> <p>Councillor Hiscock supports the application. Councillor Tod was invited to comment.</p> <p>It is recommended the organisation is awarded £2,800.</p>	£2,800	£2,800
South Wonston Village Hall Winchester, Winchester Downlands	Replace floor covering in Hall and porch £4,237	<p>The organisation seeks funding to support new flooring to replace vinyl tiles which are causing a trip hazard, maintaining safe use of a well-used local community asset. A maintenance project of this size should normally be funded through the organisation's reserves, but it has recently replaced the boiler and repaired the roof, which has reduced available funds. The organisation is keen to carry out the works urgently during a scheduled shutdown period, to limit potential for lost income.</p> <p>500 Hampshire Residents are expected to benefit from the project.</p> <p>The organisation has committed £2,000 of its own funds to the project and has applied for £100 from South Wonston Parish Council (expected outcome August 2019)</p> <p>Councillor Warwick supports the application.</p>	£2,137	£2,137

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		<p>Note: The organisation was awarded Community Buildings Capital Fund awards of £2,000 in 2017/18 towards the new boiler and £2,980 in 2016/17 towards the roof. A 'without prejudice' letter was issued to the organisation in advance of the decision day.</p> <p>It is recommended the organisation is awarded up to 50% of project costs to a maximum of £2,137. The organisation will be advised that the purpose of the fund is not to support small reactive maintenance projects and any future applications should be for projects which are more developmental in nature, with a focus on increasing income generation and financial sustainability.</p>		
Stags in the Community CIC New Forest, Totton and Marchwood	Developing Opportunities for Women & Girls £4,997	<p>The organisation seeks funding to support ongoing football coaching sessions for women and girls, following a pilot scheme. There is no evidence of community need for this activity, which is already delivered by other organisations locally. 2,000 Hampshire Residents are expected to benefit from the project. However, it is not clear from the application how this number will be achieved.</p> <p>The organisation has applied for the full project costs. It has not sought funding from other sources, including local council/s, which is one of the criteria of this fund. Councillor Harrison was invited to comment.</p> <p>As there is no evidence for the need of the project, the application is for ongoing activity and the organisation has not sought funding from other sources, it is recommended the application is not supported.</p>	£4,997	£0
Stockbridge Town Hall Test Valley, Test Valley Central	Hurford Hall South Window Replacement and Wall Refurbishment £40,000	<p>The organisation seeks funding towards the replacement of an existing window with double glazed window and improvements to brickwork of associated wall to stop draughts and water ingress. Requirements linked to Grade II* Listed Building status impact project costs and listed building consent has been secured. 4,000 Hampshire Residents are expected to benefit from the project.</p> <p>The organisation has committed £10,000 of its own funds to the project and has applied for £15,000 from Test Valley Borough Council (expected outcome August 2019) Councillor fully supports the application.</p> <p>It is recommended the organisation is awarded up to 37.5% of project costs to a maximum of £15,000, on condition the application to Test Valley Borough Council for £15,000 match funding is also successful.</p>	£15,000	£15,000
The Ramsdell Church and Village Hall	New Ramsdell Village Hall	<p>The organisation seeks funding towards a new community building. A well-used village hall has existed in Ramsdell for over 90 years and the hall has become the last remaining community building in the village. The leasehold for the hall and land expires in 2025</p>	£37,500	£37,500

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Basingstoke and Deane, Tadley and Baughurst	£750,000	<p>meaning there will be no facility to serve the community's needs, unless a new hall is built. Ramsdell is an isolated rural location and residents are dependent on the village hall as a community venue to access services and activities, reducing social isolation, etc. The project is well-developed with a 125 year lease on new land secured, planning permission in place and plans drawn up. The organisation's Business Plan has a focus on achieving funding for the build so a business plan (including marketing plan) for the operation of the facility after construction is completed should be a condition of grant to ensure the building will be used to the best of its potential.</p> <p>122 Hampshire Residents per week are expected to benefit from the project.</p> <p>The organisation has secured £497,000 through £40,000 from local fundraising, £100,000 from Greenham Common Trust, £82,000 from local donors and businesses, £200,000 from the sale of this existing leasehold back to landlord and £75,000 from Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council on condition the remaining funds are raised by 26th December 2019. It has applied for £175,000 from private trusts and expects to generate £40,500 through further local fundraising.</p> <p>Councillor Mellor was invited to comment.</p> <p>It is recommended the organisation is awarded up to 5% of project costs to a maximum of £37,500 on condition that funding from Basingstoke and Deane is secured, at least three tenders are secured and a business plan (including marketing plan) for the operation of the facility after building is completed is developed.</p>		
Trustees of Four Marks Village Hall East Hampshire, Alton Rural	Replacement of the flat roof £26,280	<p>The organisation seeks funding towards the replacement of its flat roof and improvements to insulation. It is applying for 50% of costs with an application to East Hampshire District Council for the remainder. The application states the organisation has some reserves that that could be put towards the project, although reserves are less than one year's running costs. The community programme is quite small with a term time pre-school, two weekly, two fortnightly and five monthly community activities suggesting actual beneficiaries would be less than the 4,500 indicated in the application. The organisation has no Safeguarding or Reserves Policies in place.</p> <p>4,500 Hampshire Residents are expected to benefit from the project.</p> <p>The organisation has applied to East Hampshire District Council for £13,140.</p> <p>Councillor Kemp-Gee fully supports the recommendation.</p>	£13,140	£9,000

Appendix 2

Organisation (District / Division)	Project Title (Project Costs)	Proposal	Amount Requested	Amount Recommended
		In light of the small community programme and available free reserves, it is recommended the application is partially support and the organisation is awarded up to 35% of project costs to a maximum of £9,000 on condition funding is also secured from East Hants and that Safeguarding and Reserves Policies are developed and submitted.		
TOTAL			£203,975	£153,937