Culture and Community Activity Grants 2017/18 Application assessment summary

Each grant application has been assessed against the Culture and Community Activity Grant criteria (Appendix 1) using a standard template.

Project funding requests:

Organisation (District / Division)	Project Title (Project Costs)	Proposal	Amount Requested	Amount recommended activity grant 2017/18
Andover Nepalese Community	Cultural and Recreational Events	The organisation seeks funding to support 3 community events to celebrate and share the Nepali culture with community members and the wider community, to raise the community's profile and support integration and cohesion. This is a relatively new organisation supporting a growing community.	£1,500	£1,500
(Test Valley / Andover North)	(£2,000)	150 Hampshire residents are expected to benefit. The organisation will be contributing £700 of its own funds, which come from member subscriptions. Councillor Locke was invited to comment. Note: The organisation was awarded £1,000 Culture and Community Activity Grants 16-17 (decision date 11/07/2016) It is recommended that Andover Nepalese Community is awarded £1,500.		
Andover Trees United (Test Valley / Andover North)	Annual Schools' Planting Weeks (£2,510)	The organisation seeks funding towards a week of tree planting and other activities in Harmony Woods community woodland for Andover children and volunteers to learn about their natural environment. Local schools have supported the project by making space available on their sites for nursery beds for the saplings which will be planted out in October/November. 1000 Hampshire residents are expected to take part. The organisation has applied to Test Valley Borough Council for £1,000 and Andover Parish Council for £500 (both outcomes pending). They have applied for more than the remaining shortfall of £1,010. Councillor Locke was invited to comment. It is recommended that Andover Trees United is awarded £1,010.	£2,510	£1,010

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Avon Valley Concerts (New Forest / Lyndhurst and Fordingbridge, and Ringwood)	Concert series 2017-18 (£11,600)	The organisation seeks funding towards the delivery of six chamber music concerts between October 2017 and March 2018 to local audiences who cannot access other provision due to travel and/or financial barriers. 120 Hampshire residents are expected to benefit. The organisation has applied to the Parish Council for £750 and Waitrose for £300 (both outcomes pending) and expects to generate £9,300 through ticket sales, subscriptions, sales of programmes, refreshments and Gift Aid. Councillors Heron and Thierry were invited to comment. Councillor Thierry supports the application. It is recommended that Avon Valley Concerts is awarded £1,250.	£1,250	£1,250
Carroll Centre (Winchester / Winchester Westgate)	Family Grub Club (£2,925)	The organisation seeks funding towards family activity over the October half term holiday including healthy eating, physical and creative activity, and will engage families who rely on free school meals during term time to make ends meet. Sessions will be free and meals will be provided. 60 Hampshire residents are expected to benefit. The project costs includes some elements which would be considered core costs (e.g. admin, use of facilities, planning and management) and are therefore not eligible through this grant scheme. Councillor Tod strongly supports the application and would support a larger award. Note: The organisation was awarded £40,302 Children's Services 0-19 Funding 16-17 (decision date 11/11/16) and £1,000 County Councillor grant 16-17. As some of the project costs are not eligible through this scheme, it is recommended that Carroll Centre is partially supported and awarded £1,500.	£2,925	£1,500
Fluid Motion Theatre (Basingstoke and Deane / Basingstoke South)	Theatricals (£10,562)	The organisation seeks funding towards a weekly drama group and performance opportunities for people with learning disabilities, supporting them to build confidence and develop communication skills enabling them to access and engage with local services more effectively and become active members of their community. 30 Hampshire residents are expected to benefit. The project costs include some elements which would be considered core costs,	£2,972	£2,970

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Fluid Motion Theatre, cont. (Basingstoke and Deane / Basingstoke South)		but these are covered by grant funding from Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council (£6,000). The organisation has also secured £250 from the Coleman Trust, £680 in-kind contribution from Mencap (use of venue) and expects to generate £660 in ticket sales. Councillor James was invited to comment. Note 1: The organisation was awarded funding through Short breaks for Children with Disabilities and Additional Needs - over £5k 2017-18 towards a Gosport based project. Note 2: It was awarded £2,800 Culture and Community Activity Grant 2016-17 (decision day 21/01/2016) towards a Youth Theatre project, £1,000 County Councillor grant 2016-17 (decision day 03/10/2016) and funding through Short breaks for Children with Disabilities and Additional Needs - over £5k 2016-17. It is recommended that Fluid Motion Theatre is awarded £2,970.		
Grayshott Concerts (East Hampshire / Liphook, Headley and Grayshott)	Moving to Self-sustainability (£12,120)	The organisation seeks funding towards developments to make it sustainable and remove the need for future applications to the Council for funding. The project proposals include identifying and installing a card payment system linked to support self-service ticket sales, improved marketing strategy and attracting enduring business and individual sponsorship. They will appoint a 'brand champion' to run the project over six months, with further work to be funded by the success of this first phase. The aim is to increase income by £30,000 p.a. 2000 Hampshire residents are expected to benefit. The organisation has committed £5,120 of its own funds to the project and secured £2,000 in-kind support in professional services. Councillor Mitchell supports the application. Note 1: The organisation was awarded £2,980 Culture and Community Activity Grant 17-18 (decision date 15/06/17) towards a young brass musicians' project. Note 2: It was awarded £250 County Councillor Grant 16-17 and has been supported through the Culture and Community Activity Grants scheme to deliver a concert series for each of the past five years. It is recommended that Grayshott Concerts is awarded £5,000. No further awards will be made to this organisation.	£5,000	£5,000

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Kingsley Organisation (East Hampshire / Alton Rural)	Developing IT Skills for Life (£2,312)	The organisation, which specialises is support and training for people with disabilities, seeks funding towards the delivery of two six-week IT courses, supporting vulnerable people to access services through improved digital skills. 16 Hampshire residents are expected to benefit. The organisation has committed £492 of its own funds towards the project. Councillor Kemp-Gee strongly supports the application. Note: The organisation was awarded £3,145 Community Investment Fund 16-17 (decision day 03/12/2015), £1,260 Culture and Community Activity Grant 16-17 (decision date 21/01/16) towards a health eating project and £2,814 County Councillor grant 16-17 towards car park improvements. It is recommended that Kingsley Organisation is awarded £1,820.	£1,820	£1,820
The Friends of Leesland Park (Gosport / Leesland and Town)	ParkFest 17 (£1,265)	The organisation seeks funding towards a community event including music, creative activity and children's entertainment in an area of high community need to promote local amenities and improve access to services and support. 1000 Hampshire residents are expected to benefit. The organisation has committed £480 own funds, and secured £250 County Councillor funding. It has applied for more than the project shortfall of £535. Councillors Carter and Edgar were invited to comment. Councillor Carter strongly supports the application. Note 1: The organisation has applied for £2,000 County Councillor grants 17-18 towards installation of outdoor gym equipment (outcome pending). Note 2: It was awarded £500 County Councillor grant 16-17 towards a community event in 2016 and £1,000 towards interpretation boards. It is recommended that The Friends of Leesland Park is awarded £535, the project shortfall.	£1,000	£535
The Petersfield Musical Festival (East Hampshire / Petersfield	Petersfield Musical Festival 2018 (£51,357)	The organisation seeks funding towards a Music Festival in March 2018 to include choral and classical concerts, two youth concerts, a family concert, lunchtime lecture-recitals and a composition competition. Local musicians will have the opportunity to work with professionals and increase their skills and experience. 3000 Hampshire residents are expected to benefit. The organisation has secured £800 from Petersfield Town Council and has	£1,000	£1,000

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Butser and Petersfield Hangers)		applied for £750 from East Hampshire District Council and £600 from the Josephine Baker Trust. It expects to generate £32,295 through ticket sales, subscriptions and programme sales and to benefit from £11,395 worth of in-kind support from volunteers. The remaining shortfall will be made up through local fundraising. Councillors Oppenheimer and Mocatta were invited to comment. Note 1: The organisation was awarded £1000 Culture and Community Activity Grant 16-17(decision date 4/10/16) Note 2: It has been supported through the Culture and Community Activity Grants scheme to deliver a concert series for each of the past five years. It is recommended that The Petersfield Musical Festival is awarded £1,000. No further awards will be made to this organisation.		
TOTAL			£19,977	£16,585