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### NOTICE OF MEETING

**Meeting** Executive Member for Culture, Recreation and Countryside

**Decision Day** 

Date and Time Thursday, 1st March, 2018 at 2.00 pm

Place Chute Room, Ell Court, The Castle, Winchester

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### **AGENDA**

1. GRANT FUNDING FOR CULTURE AND COMMUNITY ORGANISATIONS 2018/19 (Pages 3 - 18)

To consider a report of the Director of Culture, Communities and Business Services seeking approval for grant funding to cultural, recreation and community organisations across Hampshire.

2. COMMUNITY BUILDING CAPITAL FUND 2017/18 (REQUEST FOR £25,000 AND UNDER) (Pages 19 - 32)

To consider a report of the Director of Culture, Communities and Business Services outlining grant applications to the Community Buildings Capital Fund.

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### HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

# **Decision Report**

Decision Maker:	Executive Member for Culture, Recreation and Countryside
Date:	1 March 2018
Title:	Grant Funding for Culture and Community Organisations 2018/19
Report From:	Director of Culture, Communities and Business Services

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### 1. Recommendations

1.1 That the Executive Member for Culture, Recreation and Countryside gives approval:

i) To award funding totalling £28,400 of Culture and Community Activity grants 2018/19 to cultural, recreational and community organisations across Hampshire as outlined in Appendix 2.

# 2. Executive Summary

- 2.1 This report seeks approval from the Executive Member for Culture, Recreation and Countryside for £28,400 of Culture and Community Activity Grants 2018/19 to cultural, recreational and community organisations across Hampshire.
- 2.2 The report provides an update on the financial position of revenue grant schemes to culture and community organisations in 2018/19.

### 3. Culture and Community Activity Grants

3.1 The purpose of this grant stream is to provide general support to groups and organisations which encourage and provide opportunities for individuals and communities to participate in community focussed, cultural and recreational activities. Applications can be made for over £1,000 up to a maximum of £3,000. Full details, including what the County Council can and cannot fund, are set out in Appendix 1.

3.2 Fifteen organisations have applied for funding and the details are set out in Appendix 2.

### 4 Financial Information:

4.1. The total draft budget for the 2018/19 revenue grants is £977,000. Of this, £475,761 was allocated on 7 December 2017 and £351,239 was allocated on 18 January 2018, with the remaining £150,000 set aside for Culture and Community Activity Grants (CCAG) 2018/19.

4.2	Allocation for CCAG 2018/19	£150,000
	Recommendations for approval in this report	£ 28,400
	Remainder available for future rounds (if all recommendations in this report are approved)	£121,600

# 5. Other key issues

5.1 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.

### **CORPORATE OR LEGAL INFORMATION:**

# **Links to the Strategic Plan**

Hampshire maintains strong and sustainable economic growth and prosperity:	yes
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>	Reference	<u>Date</u>			
Grant Funding for Culture and Community		18/01/2018			
Organisations 2018/19					
Annual core infrastructure grants to Voluntary and	8121	09/03/2017			
Community Sector Organisations					
Direct links to specific legislation or Governmen	nt Directives				
Title		Date			

# 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>	Location
None	

### **IMPACT ASSESSMENTS:**

# 1. Equality Duty

- 1.1. 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 under the Act;
- Advance equality of opportunity between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic (age, disability, gender reassignment, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, gender and sexual orientation) and those who do not share it;
- Foster good relations between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic 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 characteristic connected to that characteristic;
- b) Take steps to meet the needs of persons sharing a relevant protected characteristic 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 which participation by such persons is disproportionally low.

# 1.2. Equalities Impact Assessment:

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

### 2. Impact on Crime and Disorder:

2.1 Not applicable.

### 3. Climate Change:

a) How does what is being proposed impact on our carbon footprint / energy consumption?

Not applicable.

b) How does what is being proposed consider the need to adapt to climate change, and be resilient to its longer term impacts?

Not applicable.

# **Culture and Community Activity Grants**

The purpose of the Culture and Community Activity Grants is to provide general support to groups and organisations which encourage and provide opportunities for individuals and communities within Hampshire to participate in cultural, community-focused, and recreational activities.

This programme funds projects and proposals which support the priorities and outcomes in <u>Hampshire</u> County Council's Strategic Plan 2013-17 'Shaping Hampshire: modern, public services for the future'.

- Health and wellbeing: Improving health and wellbeing for all, particularly those who are vulnerable or disadvantaged, including mental health and wellbeing.
- Economy: Promoting economic prosperity and protecting the environment.
- Communities: Working with communities to enhance local services.

Applications can be made for **over £1,000 up to a maximum of £3,000**. Applications **must** be submitted using the **Standard Form** (over £1,000). Organisations seeking funding of £1,000 or less are recommended to look at County Councillor Grants.

#### What is funded

- Community, cultural or recreational activities or events that provide opportunities for local people (Hampshire residents) to become involved
- A high quality eligible project, programme or activity that delivers measurable outcomes and results against the priorities set out above
- Match funding for business sponsorship

### What isn't funded

- Individuals
- Further or higher education fees, personal development or training fees for individuals
- Curriculum based activities
- Building based capital works
- Capital and equipment schemes i.e. buying instruments or uniforms
- General/core running costs of an organisation
- Website development projects
- Medical/complimentary treatment activities
- · Setting up an organisation
- Profit making or funding-raising events/activities
- County, District or Borough Councils or National Park Authorities
- Services, projects or activities solely within the unitary authority areas of Portsmouth City Council and Southampton City Council
- Organisations already in receipt of core funding from other Hampshire County Council departments
- Uniformed groups such as Scouts, Girl Guides, cadets, etc.
- Street parties or village fetes

Please note we cannot retrospectively fund projects/activities that have already been carried out. Grants are issued for projects/activities to be carried out in the future.

Applications which are clearly ineligible may be rejected by Officers in discussion with the Executive Member before the Decision Date.

### Grant criteria and eligibility

We will consider funding eligible organisations that meet all of the following criteria:

- The organisation must have actively sought funding from other sources; this could include district, borough, town or parish council funding. Priority will be given to applications which have partner funding in place from other sources.
- The proposed programme, project or activity of the organisation is a cultural, community, or recreational activity/project that encourages and provides opportunities for individuals and communities within Hampshire to participate.
- The programme, project or activity must also support one or more of the Strategic Plan 2013-17 'Shaping Hampshire: modern, public services for the future' priorities detailed above.
- A high quality, time-limited project, programme or activity that delivers measurable outcomes and results against the priorities set out above.
- The organisation must be able to demonstrate that without the support from Hampshire County Council the activity/event would not be able to proceed at all or to the extent outlined in the application.
- Organisations with significant funds in place or higher levels of reserves must demonstrate why funding from Hampshire County Council is needed.
- The organisation has a clear management structure within its constitution or suitable governance/terms of reference.
- Match funding for business sponsorship (see additional criteria below).

# All organisations requesting support must submit their latest Annual Accounts/annual financial summary.

All successful applicants will be required to provide appropriate reporting and/or monitoring for their service, projects and/or activities.

Organisations will be expected to have appropriate policies, procedures and levels of insurances in place. This will include child and vulnerable adult protection/safeguarding policies, health and safety policy, a minimum of £5m Public Liability and £5m Employers Liability Insurance.

Applications to other County Council grant schemes for the proposed project will be considered when reviewing applications.

### Business Sponsorship - additional criteria and eligibility

We can match fund business sponsorship up to £300. The sponsorship you are receiving must be monetary, we can not match fund any in kind sponsorship, e.g. free/subsidised marketing. Match funding must be a minimum of £150 per business and businesses **must be first time sponsors**. Maximum of one application per organisation per year.

#### Financial Eligibility

Organisations will not normally be eligible for grants where they hold a high level of unallocated reserves, particularly in excess of one year's running costs. In cases where reserves held are felt to be high or exceed one year's running costs a reduced level of funding may be agreed. All charitable organisations are expected to have an agreed reserves policy that addresses their financial risk.

# Culture and Community Activity Grants 2018/19 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 2018/19
Alton Community Association  (East Hampshire / Alton Town)	Alton Community Club for the Elderly (£25,302)	Alton Community Association seeks funding to support a club for older people to run for a year, increasing to two days a week. The club will provide transport, a hot meal, refreshments, activities and trips for its members. The project will be delivered in partnership with Altonian Care, a local care agency, and the local Dementia Friends group. It will aim to improve physical and mental wellbeing and to reduce isolation and provide a vital link between housebound elderly people and the community.  35 Hampshire residents are expected to benefit.  The organisation has committed £2,000 of its own funds to the project, has secured £6,000 from the Sobell Foundation and expects to generate £10,000 through subscriptions. It has applied for more than the maximum award available through this grant scheme.  Councillor Joy was invited to comment.  Note: The organisaiton was awarded £5,799 0-19 Children's Services funding in 2017/18 (decision date 01/04/2017) to support youth activity.  It is recommended that Alton Community Association is awarded £3,000.	£4,500	£3,000
Chapel Sessions Music (Eastleigh / Hamble)	Relaunch of Chapel Sessions in the Chapel Royal Victoria Country Park (£9,610)	Chapel Sessions Music seeks funding to support three high profile music events to be held in the Chapel at Royal Victoria Country Park. The budget is felt to be high for a small number of events and the organisaiton has not applied to any other potential funders. The Council receives income from this project in the form of venue hire and provides in-kind support through ticket sales. It is not clear from the application how many Hampshire residents are expected to benefit.  The organisation expects to generate £6,000 in ticket sales.  Councillor House commented: I think these sessions would be a real benefit to	£3,000	£0

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Costs)			2018/19
	the Country Park and local community. If the recommendation was to support this at £1500 I would support it with match funding from the councillor grant fund.  Note: The organisation was awarded £1,000 Culture and Community Activity Grants 2016/17 (decision date 11/07/2016) to support the concert series to be held in alternative venues while the Chapel was closed for refurbishment. This award was on condition that match funding be secured from Eastleigh Borough Council and as this was not successful the offer of grant could not be taken up.  As the organisation has not sought funding from other sources, the Council receives income from the project and project costs are not felt to demonstrate value for money, it is recommended that the application is not supported.		
Carnival Ambition (£4,770)	Eastleigh Borough & Romsey MENCAP seeks funding to deliver artist-led carnival costume design and making workshops for adults with learning disabilities, members of the organisation's Flagship Art Club, to gain skills and promote a positive identity of adults with learning disabilties when they take part in West End Carnival. The project will also include training for staff from the organisation and from 3-5 other local community groups so they can also benefit and so they can sustain the activity in future years. Through this, the project will have a wider and lasting impact on the local community as well as service users.  80 Hampshire residents are expected to benefit.  The organisation has committed £500 of its own funds and has applied to Eastleigh Borough Council for £250 (awaiting outcome). It expects to generate £250 in subscriptions from participants.  Councillor Tennent was invited to comment.  Note: The organisation was awarded two County Councillor grants in 2017/18 totalling £1,250 to support other projects.  It is recommended that Eastleigh Borough & Romsey MENCAP is awarded	£3,000	£3,000
Preparation For Volunteering	Gosport Voluntary Action seeks funding to support the delivery of two 8-week Preparation for Volunteering courses. The course is designed to build confidence and self-esteem amongst local residents who would like to either volunteer or get back into work but have been prevented from doing so by poor mental health,	£4,742	£1,000
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Gosport Voluntary Action, cont.		costs which would be considered core infrastructure costs and therefore ineligible through this scheme.  24 Hampshire residents are expected to benefit.  The organisation has secured £1,120 course funding from Hampshire Futures to support this activity. The application states any shortfall would have to be taken from operational reserves, which are limited. The organisation will continue to apply for other small awards.  All Gosport Councillors were invited to comment. Councillors Burgess and Carter support the application. Councillor Chegwyn supports the recommendation.  Note: The organisation was awarded £500 County Councillor funding towards this project (decision date 04/01/2018).  Annual core infrastructure grant funding was awarded in 2017/18 from the Policy and Resources budget to Local Councils for Voluntary Service (decision date 09/03/2017).  As the organisation has applied for more than the maximum award and some of the budget elements would be considered core infrastructure costs, it is recommended that Gosport Voluntary Action is partially supported and awarded £1,000. The organisation will be encouraged to develop links with Gosport Discovery Centre and Country Parks for future volunteering opportunities.		
Maritime Archaeology Trust (Countywide)	Community Maritime Archaeology Programme: engaging, enthusing & educating in the heart of communities  (£2,800)	The Maritime Archaeology Trust seeks funding to attend five large scale events during 2018 with its Maritime Bus, a mobile outreach facility. It delivers high quality projects, resources and activities to engage, enthuse and educate people of all ages and abilities about their local maritime heritage, ensuring that programmes are inclusive.  7,500 Hampshire residents are expected to benefit.  The organisation is requesting the full £2,800 from the Council.  Note: The organisation was awarded £2,550 Culture and Community Activity Grant 2015/16 (decision date 21/01/2016)  As the organisation has a good level of reserves and is requesting the full project costs, it is recommended that Maritime Archaeology Trust is partially supported and awarded £1,000.	£2,800	£1,000
Motiv8 supported by Gosport	Gosport Summer	Gosport Community Safety Partnership seeks funding to support the delivery of diversionary activity sessions for young people in the summer holidays. This is a	£3,000	£3,000

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Community Safety Partnership (Gosport wide)  Motiv8 supported by Gosport Community Safety Partnership, cont.	Passport (£25,830)	consortium project and the application is lead by Motiv8 South. Activities promote and support health and wellbeing messages including healthy eating, physical activity, substance misuse, healthy relationships and will be delivered by a range of suitably qualified and experienced organisations. The project proactively engages with vulnerable young people, including through Supporting Families and the Early Help Hub.  5,000 Hampshire residents are expected to benefit.  The organisation has committed £650 of its own funds, secured £950 from Gosport Borough Council, £12,000 in-kind support from partners and applied for £7,730 from the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner (awaiting outcome). All Gosport Councillors were invited to comment. Councillors Burgess, Carter, Chegwyn and Edgar support the application.  Note: The partnership was awarded £3,000 Culture and Community Activity Grants 2017/18 (decision date 21/03/2017).  It is recommended that Motiv8 supported by Gosport Community Safety		
Oarsome Chance Foundation (Gosport and Havant)	Oarsome Chance Activities (£19063)	Partnership is awarded £3,000.  Oarsome Chance Foundation seeks funding to support free rowing and boat maintenance sessions targeted at disadvantaged young people aged 10 to 25 from coastal communities. Being part of a rowing crew offers these young people a chance to gain confidence, motivation, self-efficacy and increased self-esteem through pride in an accomplishment individually and as part of a team. Through workshop activity, building, maintaining and repairing skiff boats and peripherals, young people will improve a range of soft skills and have the opportunity to gain vocational qualifications. The project also benefits from peer support from previous participants. The project will be delivered in Gosport and Havant. 400 Hampshire residents are expected to benefit.  The organisation has committed £5,063 of in-kind support to the project and has applied for £5,000 from Awards for All, £5,000 from Santander Discovery Grant and £1,000 One Stop Carriers for Good Causes (awaiting outcomes).  All Gosport and Havant Councillors were invited to comment. Councillors Carter, Edgar and Fairhurst support the application.	£3,000	£3,000
PeaceJam UK	PeaceJam Hampshire	It is recommended that Oarsome Chance Foundation is awarded £3,000.  PeaceJam UK is the British affiliate to the American PeaceJam Foundation, an organisation set up to enable Nobel Prize Laureates to teach young people about	£3000	£0

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(Countywide) PeaceJam UK, cont.	(£28,800)	peace. The organisation seeks funding towards establishing its programme in Hampshire. This would include engaging six schools, providing training for school staff around discussion of controversial issues of diversity, tolerance, social justice, conflict and non-violence, culminating in ten students from each school participating in a conference attended by a Nobel Prize Laureate. It is not clear from the application how this project would fit with the Personal, Social and Health Education curriculum or existing continuing professional development provided by Children's Services. The offered evidence of need for the project cites issues in Portsmouth while the application states schools from Winchester and Andover will be approached. Project costs are felt to be high and include significant sums for travel and accommodation for the Nobel Laureate and for staff from the parent PeaceJam organisation in the United States of America. Project income is significantly higher than project costs.  6,000 Hampshire residents are expected to benefit, though it is not clear if this would be achievable through engagement with six schools.  The organisation has committed £1,000 of its own funds £1,000, secured £17,000 from the University of Winchester £17,000 and applied for £1,800 from Burns Price and £10,000 from Polden-Puckham Foundation. It expects to generate £12,300 through conference fees, merchandise sales and refreshments.  As the application has not demonstrated need for the project or funding and it is not clear how it fits with programmes delivered by Children's Services, it is recommended the application is not supported.		
Rude Mechanical Theatre Company (Countywide)	Oberon's Cure (£114,056)	Rude Mechanical Theatre Company seeks funding towards a tour of their latest piece, to include performances in seven Hampshire villages (Ropley, Conford, Hook, Hambledon, Selborne, Droxford and Sheet), increasing access to high quality arts in rural communities. Villages organise most of the logistics around the performances (ticket sales, marketing and evaluation) increasing the community participation and use of local shops and post offices as temporary box offices encourages footfall to rural businesses. The organisation will work with the Gilbert White House and Museum in Selborne.  1,200 Hampshire residents are expected to benefit. The organisation has applied for £1,000 from Wealden District Council and £1,000 from the Garrick Charitable Trust (awaiting outcomes) and expects to generate £95,306 through ticket sales, programmes, merchandise and donations	£1,000	£1,000

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Rude Mechanical Theatre Company, cont.		and to benefit from £3,600 of in-kind support from hosting villages.  Note: The organisation was awarded £1,000 Culture and Community Activity Grants 2017/18 (decision date 21/03/2017).  It is recommended that Rude Mechanical Theatre Company is awarded £1,000.		
The Conservation Volunteers (Countywide)	Biodiversity Action Team (£12,415)	The Conservation Volunteers seeks funding to support the delivery of thirty-five community based conservation sessions (approximately 25 volunteers are expected to benefit per session) focussed on improving local green spaces as well as reducing social isolation and improving wellbeing of volunteers. The organisation will work to recruit participants from all communities and backgrounds, including those with physical and mental health issues.  875 Hampshire residents are expected to benefit.  The organisation has secured £1,920 from Eastleigh Borough Council and £1,400 from the Heritage Lottery Fund. It has applied for £1,750 from Winchester City Council, £2,100 from Havant Borough Council, £4,010 from the Heritage Lottery and £1,235 from the Bedhampton Trust (awaiting outcomes). If all applications are successful, this will enable additional sessions to be run.  Note: The organisation was awarded £1,900 Culture and Community Activity Grants 2017/18 (decision date 21/03/2017).  It is recommended that The Conservation Volunteers is awarded £1,900.	£1,900	£1,900
Unity (formerly Test Valley Community Services) (Countywide)	Demfest 2018 (£11,515)	The organisation is applying on behalf of the Romsey Dementia Action Group for support for a free to attend one day festival to promote dementia friendly communities, awareness and support aimed at people from across the county. The festival includes music performances and workshops, arts and crafts, gardening, information stalls signposting to support for people with dementia and their carers and Q&A panels. The event is to be held in July 2018 and the Sir Harold Hillier Gardens, also partners in the Action Group, provides an area of its grounds for the festival venue as in-kind support with attendees also offered reduced price (free to carers) access to the full Gardens.  5,000 Hampshire residents are expected to benefit.  The project budget includes £7,000 worth of volunteer time as in-kind support, including volunteers on the day and planning and organisation of the event. The organisation has committed £500 or its own funds to the project, raised £530 through local fundraising and expects to secure £500 in commercial sponsorship.	£2,985	£1,500

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Unity (formerly Test Valley Community Services), cont.		Note 1: The organisation was awarded £7,968 Older Persons Community Support Grant 2017/18 (decision date 25/04/2017) and three County Councillor Grants 2017/18 which totalled £3,000 towards suicide prevention training.  Note 2: Andover Mind was awarded £1,600 Policy and Resources One Off Grant 2015-16 (decision date 17/08/2015) to support Demfest 2015 and Romsey Dementia Action Group was awarded £3,000 Policy and Resources One Off Grant 2016-17(decision date 20/07/2016) to support Demfest 2016.  As the project already benefits from in-kind support in the form of venue costs, it is recommended the application is partially supported and Unity (formerly Test Valley Community Services) is awarded £1,500.		
Winchester Chamber Music Festival  Winchester / Winchester  Eastgate and Westgate  Westgate  Westgate)	Winchester Chamber Music Festival 2018 (£53,447)	Winchester Chamber Music Festival seeks funds to support a four day festival in May 2018, in celebration of its tenth anniversary. The festival includes a series of concerts and music workshops, with some music composed especially for the event. Open rehearsal and masterclasses will give local players the opportunity to engage with professional musicians. A concert for primary school children will be held at Theatre Royal Winchester and an outreach concert will take place for beneficiaries of St John's Charity.  1,500 Hampshire residents are expected to benefit.  The organisation has committed £4,000 of its own funds and secured £2,500 in donations and £6,000 in-kind support. It has applied to Winchester BID for £750, Arts Council for £1,500 and Garrick Foundation for £2,500 (awaiting outcomes). It expects to generate £33,629 in ticket sales, subscriptions, programme sales and gift aid.  Councillors Hiscock and Todd support the application.  Note: The organisation was awarded £2,500 Culture and Community Activity Grants 2017/18 (decision date 21/03/2017). It has been funded through this grant scheme for the last five years.  It is recommended that Winchester Chamber Music Festival is awarded £2,500. As it has had significant support from the Council over the years, it is also recommended no further awards will be made to this organisation through this scheme.	£2,500	£2,500
Winchester Festival	Winchester Festival 2018	Winchester Festival seeks funding to support a multi-arts festival across various Winchester venues in July 2018 including concerts, talks and events. Performers will be from Hampshire as well as national profile artists. Ticket prices will be kept	£3,000	£3,000

Organisation (District / Division)	Project Title (Project Costs)	Proposal	Amount Requested	Amount recommended activity grant 2018/19
(Winchester / Winchester Eastgate and Westgate Westgate)	(£95,930)	low to appeal to wider audiences and certain events will be half price for under 18s. Winchester schools will be given the chance to participate in an exhibition. Expenditure has been reduced on previous years. 3,500 Hampshire residents are expected to benefit. The organisation has secured £8,000 in sponsorship and donations and expects to generate £67,729 in ticket sales, patrons donations, gift aid and programme sales.  Councillors Hiscock and Todd support the application.  Note: The organisation was awarded £3,000 Culture and Community Activity Grants 2017/18 (decision date 15/06/2017).  It is recommended that Winchester Festival is awarded £3,000 on condition that the organisation also applies for a grant from Winchester City Council.		
Winchester Poetry Festival (C) (Winchester / Winchester (C) Eastgate and Westgate Westgate)	Winchester Poetry Festival 2018 (£66,100)	Winchester Poetry Festival seeks funding to support a three day festival in October 2018 which will feature around 37 poets and translators giving readings and talks, plus a new poetry commission, lecture and a number of workshops and discussion-based events. It will seek to engage rural audiences through outreach events in rural locations, young people, people with disabilities and Solent Mind service users amongst audiences and will hold events in Winchester Discovery Centre as well as in smaller, out of city venues for outreach events. The organisation aims for a 10% increase in audience from the last festival in 2016. 1,375 Hampshire residents are expected to benefit.  The organisation has committed £900 of its own funds and secured £24,500 from the Arts Council, £1,000 from Winchester City Council, £2,500 from R&E Nabarro Trust and £1,000 from the University of Winchester. It has submitted applications for £4,500 from various trusts (awaiting outcomes). It expects to generate £28,700 through ticket sales, entry fees, donations and sponsorship.  Councillors Hiscock and Todd support the application.  Note: The organisation was awarded £300 County Councillor Grants 2017/18.  It is recommended that Winchester Poetry Festival is awarded £3,000.	£3,000	£3,000
Youth and Families Matter	Coffee Morning / Community Breakfast	Youth and Families Matter seeks funding to support weekly Community Breakfast and Coffee Morning sessions for vulnerable families and socially isolated community members. Sessions will also include support in parenting skills,	£2,764	£1,500
(New Forest / Totton South and	(£4,919)	budgeting, cookery and nutrition with an aim of improving mental and physical wellbeing. This project has been supported through the Culture and Community		

# Appendix 2

Organisation (Diatrict /	Project Title	Proposal	Amount Requested	Amount recommended
(District / Division)	(Project Costs)			activity grant 2018/19
Marchwood)  Youth and Families Matter, cont.		Activity Grants for two years. The application states the organisation is committed to increasing financial sustainability through social enterprise community café and increasing private donations.  65 Hampshire residents are expected to benefit.  The organisation has not committed any of its own funds, although it does have reasonable reserves, and has applied to New Forest District Council for £2,154.89 (awaiting outcome).  Councillor Harrison commented: I very much support this grant application. This organisation has a long track record of delivering really important, targeted, services for the local community. They work in one of the most socially deprived areas of the County.  Note: The organisation was awarded £2,750 Culture and Community Activity Grants 2017/18 (decision date 21/03/2017). It was also awarded funding through Short breaks for Children with Disabilities and Additional Needs 2017/18 and £872 County Councillor Grants 2017/18 towards other activities.  As the organisation has reasonable reserves and the project has been previously supported through this scheme, it is recommended that Youth		
		and Families Matter is partially supported and awarded £1,500.		
TOTAL			£44,194	£28,400

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### HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

# **Decision Report**

Decision Maker:	Executive Member for Culture, Recreation and Countryside
Date:	1 March 2018
Title:	Community Buildings Capital Fund 2017/18 (requests for £25,000 and under)
Report From:	Director of Culture, Communities and Business Services

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# 1. Recommendation(s)

1.1. That the Executive Member for Culture, Recreation and Countryside:

- a) Approves grant funding of £151,860 from the Community Buildings Capital Fund 2017/18.
- b) Approves a capital grant of £25,000 to Petersfield Museum, on condition that the remaining required funding is secured.

# 2. Executive Summary

2.1. The purpose of this report is to seek approval from the Executive Member for Culture, Recreation and Countryside for £176,860 of funding from the Community Buildings Capital Fund 2017/18.

# 3. Summary of Grants:

3.1 Community Buildings Capital Fund 2017/18 applications

Organisation	District	Recommended £
Cliddesden Village Hall, near Basingstoke	Basingstoke and Deane	£7,000
Crowe Hill Women's Institute, near Ringwood	New Forest	£0
King Edward's Hall, West Tytherley	Test Valley	£6,350

Organisation	District	Recommended £
Kingsclere Community Association	Basingstoke and Deane	£25,000
Liss Community Association	East Hampshire	£60,000
Norden Community Association, Oakridge, Basingstoke	Basingstoke and Deane	£9,620
Old Basing Guide and Scout Hut	Basingstoke and Deane	03
Sway Village Hall	New Forest	£22,420
The Christy Memorial Hall, Old Alresford	Winchester	£11,470
West Meon Village Hall	Winchester	£10,000
Total		£151,860

### 4. Contextual information

- 4.1. The County Council works in partnership with specific community organisations, particularly Community Associations and Village Hall Trusts which seek to enable local people to meet the recreational, educational, social, cultural and environmental needs of their local communities. These organisations give local people an opportunity to participate in local activities and encourage local initiatives by people of all ages.
- 4.2. Partnership funding from the Community Buildings Capital Fund enables the voluntary and community sector to maintain the quality of Hampshire's village halls and Community Association buildings. This finance enables improvements to be made to those buildings and can assist with the development of new facilities where appropriate. The provision of these buildings by the voluntary and community sector enable local communities to access the services and facilities they need. Details of the grant criteria are set out in Appendix 1.
- 4.3. By providing financial support to these organisations for the maintenance of their buildings, the County Council is able to work in partnership with the community sector to achieve the Corporate Priority.
- 4.4. Nine organisations have applied for 2017/18 funding and details are set out in Appendix 2.

# 5. Petersfield Museum, East Hampshire

5.1 In September 2017, the Executive Member for Culture, Recreation and Countryside was approached by Petersfield Museum to ask whether the County Council would provide a capital grant towards the cost of transforming

- its buildings. This involves preserving Petersfield Museum's heritage buildings whilst creating new exhibition spaces, particularly the old county police station in Petersfield purchased from Hampshire Constabulary in September 2016.
- 5.2 This project will help the Museum better serve its community with hireable spaces for community use, including a 50-seater lecture theatre, and offer increased opportunities for skilled volunteering.
- 5.3 The total cost of the work is £2.56m, of which the Heritage Lottery Fund has awarded a grant of £1.3m on condition that £1.2m match funding is secured by August 2018. The Museum has committed £300,000 of its own funds to the project and secured approx. £390,000 from Trusts, fundraising and the Petersfield Round Table. It has applied to Petersfield Town Council for £150,000, The Foyle Foundation for £150,000 and the South Downs National Park Authority for £50,000, leaving approx. £180,000 further to be raised.
- 5.4 The Executive Member for Culture, Recreation and Countryside met with the Museum and has decided to award a capital grant of £25,000.

# 6. Budget position 2017/18

	£
Budget approval for 2017/18	125,000
Transfer from revenue grants 2017/18 (6 December 2016)	150,320
Remainder from 2016/17 funds at 21 March 2017	67,667
Unspent / returned funds reported at 15 June 2017	2,887
Transfer from revenue grants 2017/18 (18 Sept 2017)	64,055
Unspent / returned funds reported at 7 December 2017	3,023
Unspent / returned funds since 7 December 2017	290
_	413,242
Awards approved at 15 June 2017	136,210
Awards approved at 15 June 2017	•
Awards approved at 18 September 2017	43,730
Awards approved at 7 December 2017	44,120
Grants recommended for approval in this report	176,860
Remaining balance to be carried over to 2018/19	12,322

### 7. Criteria of grant

7.1. Criteria for the Community Buildings Capital Fund are set out in Appendix 1.

### 8. Other considerations

8.1. 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.

### **CORPORATE OR 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>
Community Buildings Capital Fund 2017/18 (requests for £25,000 and under)	15 June 2017
Community Buildings Capital Fund 2017/18 (requests for £25,000 and under)	18 September 2017
Community Buildings Capital Fund 2017/18 (requests for £25,000 and under)	7 December 2017
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>	Location
None	

### **IMPACT ASSESSMENTS:**

# 1. Equality Duty

- 1.1. 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 under the Act;
- Advance equality of opportunity between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic (age, disability, gender reassignment, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, gender and sexual orientation) and those who do not share it;
- Foster good relations between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic and persons who do not share it.

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

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

# 1.1. Equalities Impact Assessment:

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

### 2. Impact on Crime and Disorder:

2.1. Not applicable.

# **Criteria for Community Buildings Capital Fund**

#### What is funded?

The Community Buildings Capital Fund supports capital based projects including refurbishment and improvement of Hampshire community centres, village halls and charitable and voluntary organisations (which offer a full and varied open access community programme).

Hampshire County Council can fund up to a maximum of 50% of the total project costs not exceeding a maximum grant of £25,000.

The aim of this funding programme is to focus on projects which provide improvements that reduce running costs and develop facilities which support early intervention and prevention through helping people to stay safe, eat well, be active, access information and advice and connect with others.

Examples of eligible projects include:

- installation of insulation, new windows and a modern central heating system which could have a significant effect on heating costs as well as carbon footprint
- building of an extension onto an existing centre to accommodate the needs of other local community groups which were previously housed in an old, inadequate building with high maintenance and heating bills
- installation of a <u>Changing Place toilet</u> or improvements to access or facilities for people with disabilities to make community venues more inclusive. 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.

The programme is not designed to be overly prescriptive and developed innovative ideas for projects are encouraged.

### What isn't funded?

The following organisations are not funded under this scheme:

- Parish Councils
- · Other local authorities
- Groups and organisations whose main priority is of an individual focus or single use e.g. playgroup, lunch clubs or youth groups
- Uniformed organisations
- School properties, including preschools
- Sports clubs or venues
- Theatres

The following projects are not funded under this scheme:

- The purchase of land.
- Equipment not directly attributable to the building i.e. we will fund fitted kitchen equipment and sound systems, but would not fund a television or hi-fi system. We will also not fund equipment intended for the use of a separate trading arm or commercial organisation using the premises.
- 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.

Organisations will not normally 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

The Community Buildings Capital Fund is open to the following community based organisations who benefit a local community/local communities in Hampshire, support the priorities and outcomes of Hampshire County Council's <u>Serving Hampshire - Strategic Plan for 2017-2021</u> and improve the health and wellbeing for all, improving the quality of life for all, particularly those who are vulnerable or disadvantaged:

- Village halls (not parish-run halls)
- Community associations
- Charitable and voluntary organisations which offer a full and varied open access community programme.

These 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.

### Grant criteria

Capital based projects must fall into one or more of the following categories:

- Building repairs, extensions and refurbishments
- Capital improvements that reduce running costs
- Health and Safety issues
- Equipment that will become a permanent fixture within the building which improves access and/or increases usage (the exception to this are tables, chairs and storage units which will also be funded)
- · Capital based feasibility studies.

Organisations need to demonstrate:

- The provision of open access community programmes/activities from the community building for the benefit of the local community.
- The impact the capital based project will make to the local community, the organisation and wider society (if appropriate).
- The local community has been involved in identifying the need for the project and support it.

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. All documentation will be used, alongside the application form, to assess against the grant criteria.

### Feasibility studies

In order to assist voluntary organisations apply for funds from other sources, Hampshire County Council may support the costs of feasibility studies. Applications will be considered for 50% of the costs of such studies up to a maximum of £500.

# Community Buildings Capital Fund 2017/18 Application assessment summary

Each grant application has been assessed against the Community Buildings Capital Fund criteria (Appendix 1) using a standard template.

Organisation (District / Division)	Project Title (Total project costs)	Proposal	Amount Requested	Amount Recommended
Cliddesden Village Hall  (Basingstoke and Deane / Candovers, Oakley & Overton)	Building an annex to provide additional storage  (£66,707)	The organisation seeks funding to replace an unsightly metal storage container with a purpose built annex to address the concerns and help retain current user groups and attract new lettings to sustain the Hall. Current storage is inadequate and not easily accessible. The venue provides facilities for fitness, arts and special interest activities for adults, fitness activities for children and two amateur dramatics groups.  3,000 Hampshire residents are expected to benefit.  The organisation has committed £16,818 of its own funds to the project, expects to benefit from £500 worth in-kind support through volunteer time and has applied for £20,000 from Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council, £20,000 from Veolia (outcomes due March 2018) and will carry out additional fundraising for the final £2,389.  Councillor McNair Scott was invited to comment.  Note 1: The organisation was awarded £690 County Councillor Grant 2016/17 towards boundary fencing.  Note 2: Desk research suggests this is the only community hall in Cliddesden. Halls in neighbouring communities within 5 miles have previously been supported through this fund (Brookvale Community Association, £1,535, decision date 16/09/2014, Westside Community Association, £25,000, decision date 04/10/2016, £7,724.50, decision ate 16/07/2015).  It is recommended that Cliddesden Village Hall is awarded up to 11% of project costs to a maximum of £7,000.	£7,000	£7,000
Crowe Hill Women's Institute (New Forest /	Replacement of Kitchen (4,650)	The organisation seeks funding to improve catering facilities. The facility is used by other Women's Institute groups, but has minimal use by other community groups and does not allow access to children and young people's groups. As such it does not meet the scheme eligibility criteria. It is not clear how many Hampshire residents are expected to benefit.	£2,390	£0

Organisation (District / Division)	Project Title (Total project costs)	Proposal	Amount Requested	Amount Recommended
Ringwood)  Crowe Hill Women's Institute, cont.	C0313)	The organisation has committed £1,130 of its own funds to the project and has secured £500 from Ringwood Town Council and a £130 personal donation. It is applying for £250 from New Forest District Councillors Fund, £250 from County Councillors Grant £250 (outcomes pending).  Councillor Thierry notes the recommendation and suggests the organisation apply for an award from his discretionary grants.  Note: Desk research suggests this is the only community hall in Crowe Hill, but there are other community halls within five miles including Ringwood and District Community Association and halls in nearby villages in Dorset. Ringwood and District Community Association has previously been supported through this fund (£9,900, decision date 06/03/2014).  As the eligibility criterion to deliver a full and varied open access community programme has not been met, it is recommended that the		
King Edward's Hall, West Tytherley (Test Valley / Romsey Rural)	Renew the Central Heating Boiler (£12,702)	application is not supported.  The organisation seeks funding to replace the current oil filled boiler which is approx. 20 years old. Heating engineers have advised it is not repairable. The venue provides facilities for a youth café, Brownies, fitness activities for adults and groups such as the WI. Due to the urgent nature of the work, a 'Without Prejudice' letter was issued to enable work to commence before the decision date. The organisation does not have Safeguarding Policies in place. 530 Hampshire residents are expected to benefit.  Councillor Perry was invited to comment.  The organisation has committed £6,350 of its own funds to the project.  Note: Desk research suggests this is the only community hall in West Tytherley. Halls in neighbouring villages within 5 miles have previously been supported through this fund (Broughton Village Hall, £150,000, decision date 22/04/2016, Mottisfont Village Hall, £2,130, decision date 17/09/2015).  It is recommended that King Edward's Hall is awarded up to 50% of project costs to a maximum of £6,350, on condition that Safeguarding Policies are developed. Support will be offered with this.	£6,352	£6,350
Kingsclere Community Association	Improvements to the Fieldgate Centre	The organisation seeks funding to replace doors, windows and shutters and carry out plumbing and heating improvements to improve security sustainability of the venue through more attractive facilities for hirers. It is part of a larger refurbishment programme with later phases to include electrics, CCTV, flooring	£25,000	£25,000

Organisation (District / Division)	Project Title (Total project costs)	Proposal	Amount Requested	Amount Recommended
(Basingstoke and Deane / Whitchurch & The Cleres)  Kingsclere Community Association, cont.	(£136,620)	and a storage annex. Costings are based on a Chartered Surveyor's mainenance cost review and the organisation will go out to tender shortly. The venue provides facilities for a range of sporting, cultural and community for adults and chilren.  3164 Hampshire residents are expected to benefit.  The organisation has secured £80,000 from Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council, but requires at least 10% match funding to release this.  Councillor Thacker was invited to comment.  Note 1: The organisation was awarded £500 County Councillor Grant 2016/17 towards solar panels.  Note 2: Desk research suggests this is the only community hall in Kingsclere. In neighbouring villages within 5 miles, Heath End Village Hall has previously been supported through this fund (£25,000, decision date 11/07/2016).  It is recommended that Kingsclere Community Association is awarded up to 19% of project costs to a maximum of £25,000 on condition that tender		
Liss Community Association (East Hampshire / Petersfield Hangers)	Roof Renovation and Replacement (£60,628)	The organisation seeks funding towards renovation of the existing roof, including replacement of some sections, repairs to guttering and essential damp proofing. The Council owns the building and is in the process of negotiating transfer the freehold to the Association. This is an iconic and historic building in the village which provides an extensive and well used community programme. Work will be managed to minimise the impact on hirers and on income generation.  3,000 Hampshire residents are expected to benefit.  The works are part of a larger programme of refurbishments, which the organisation has designated its available reserves towards, including lobby and reception renovation and repair of boundary walls. These other works will be carried out when further fundraising has secured the required sums.  The building is currently leased from the County Council and, in accordance with the terms, it is the Council's responsibility to maintain the roof. Discussions are ongoing with Property Services about splitting the cost of the roof replacement. Councillor Oppenheimer commented: I wholeheartedly support this application from Liss Community Association. I have met with the Liss Community Association several times over the last few months and I have seen the excellent and valuable work which they do every day in the community, particularly with	£60,628	£60,000

Organisation (District / Division)	Project Title (Total project costs)	Proposal	Amount Requested	Amount Recommended
Liss Community Association, cont.		the elderly and young mothers. These repairs to the roof are very important and will pave the way for the transfer of the building.  Note 1: The organisation was awarded £9,140 Community Buildings Capital Fund 2017/18 (decision date 15/06/2017) towards Coffee Bar Improvements. This project has been completed.  Note 2: The organisation was awarded £4,660 Community Investment Fund 2016/17 (decision date 03/12/2015).  Note 3: Desk research suggests this is the only community hall in Liss. In neighbouring villages within 5 miles, Blackmoor Village Hall has previously been supported through this fund (£4,878, decision date 27/09/2012).  It is recommended that Liss Community Association is awarded up to a maximum of £60,000. Discussions are ongoing with Property Services about splitting the cost of this project.		
Norden Community Association (Basingstoke and Deane / Basingstoke North)	Regeneration of Oakridge Hall for All (£50,326)	The organisation, based in Oakridge, seeks funding towards Hall improvements and refurbishment, including redecoration, new flooring, curtains and furniture. This completes a wider refurbishment of the Hall, which has already seen improvements to the kitchen, toilets and outside amenities. The Hall provides facilities for a range of community activities such as lunch club and wellbeing activities for older people and activities for children and families and expects need for community facilities to increase following the building of 750 new homes locally.  7250 Hampshire residents are expected to benefit.  The organisation has secured £35,957 from Basingstoke and Deane District Council (as part of a larger award of £107,000 to phases one and two of the overall refurbishment project) and has applied to County Councillor Grants for £980, Mayors Chest for £1,000, Carriers for Causes for £2,000 and Four Lanes Trust for £768 (awaiting outcomes).  Councillor Frankum supports the application.  Note 1: The organisation was awarded £979 County Councillor Grants 2016/17 towards a computer suite.  Note 2: Desk research suggests this is the only community hall in Oakridge.  Halls in neighbouring communities within 5 miles have previously been supported through this fund (Brookvale Community Association, £1,535, decision date 16/09/2014, Westside Community Association, £25,000, decision	£9,620	£9,620

Organisation (District / Division)	Project Title (Total project costs)	Proposal	Amount Requested	Amount Recommended
Norden Community Association, cont.		date 04/10/2016, £7,724.50, decision ate 16/07/2015).  It is recommended that Norden Community Association is awarded up to 20% of project costs to a maximum of £9,620 on condition that a Reserves Policy is developed. Support will be offered with this.		
Old Basing Guide and Scout Hut (Basingstoke and Deane / Loddon)	Grounds maintenance equipment (£3,258)	The organisation seeks funding towards the purchase of a ride-on mower and multi-tool for grounds maintenance. As the grant criteria exclude equipment not directly attributable to the building and uniformed organisations are not funded through the scheme, the application does not meet eligibility criteria. The organisation is requesting more than the maximum proportion of project costs through the scheme.  1000 Hampshire residents are expected to benefit.  Councillor Still was invited to comment.  As the project is not eligible, it is recommended that the application is not supported. The organisation has been signposted to more appropriate funding opportunities.	£3,258	£0
Sway Village Hall (New Forest / Brockenhurst)	Sway Village Hall Improvement Project (£234,550)	The organisation seeks funding towards an extension to provide a new room and lobby. The project will also see improvements to kitchen and toilets, storage space, disabled access and the establishment of a community cinema following strong community consultation on improvements and activities to improve village life. This project is the first phase of a larger refurbishment and improvement project for the hall and work on this phase is expected to be completed in 2019. The hall provides a venue for twenty-four user groups offering health and wellbeing, creativity and special interest activities for adults and children. New Forest District Council has agreed, subject to contract, to make land available for the extension, transferring ownership by way of a leasehold interest.  4,000 Hampshire residents are expected to benefit.  The organisation has committed £4,000 of its own funds to the project and has secured £36,000 in local fundraising. It has applied for £5,540 from New Forest District Council, £4,000 from Sway Parish Council £2,000 and £2,000 from various Trusts (outcomes pending) with fundraising continuing for the remaining shortfall.  Councillor Mans supports the application.  Note: Desk research suggests this is the only community hall in Sway. Halls in neighbouring villages within 5 miles have previously been supported through this	£22,420	£22,420

Organisation (District / Division)	Project Title (Total project costs)	Proposal	Amount Requested	Amount Recommended
Sway Village Hall, cont.		fund (East Boldre Village Hall, £1,875, decision date 25/09/2013, Brockenhurst Church Hall, £25,000, decision date 05/03/2015, Brockenhurst Village Hall, £16,810, 06/03/2014).		
		It is recommended that Sway Village Hall is awarded up to 10% of project costs to a maximum of £22,420 on condition that a Reserves Policy is developed (support will be offered with this), detailed plans and quotes / tenders are submitted and leasehold of the land is secured.		
The Christy Memorial Hall Old Alresford (Winchester /	Christy Memorial Hall Access Renovation Project	The organisation seeks funding to improve access to the hall by replacing existing cracked paving with wider, more accessible sloped path and steps. A range of community activity takes place at the venue and a Post Office service runs from the hall once a week, providing vital services to local people, especially older people who may be more likely to require an accessible	£11,469	£11,470
Itchen Valley)	(£22,938)	entrance.  100 Hampshire residents are expected to benefit.  The organisation has committed £12,938 of its own funds to the project.  Councillor Porter fully supports the application.  Note 1: The organisation was unsuccessful in an application to the Community Buildings Capital Fund 2016/17 for a similar project (decision date 11/07/2016) because there was only a short term remaining on the lease, the application was for significantly more than the maximum award of 50% of project costs and the organisation held more than one year's reserves at the time. These issues have now been addressed.  Note 2: Desk research suggests this is the only community hall in Old Alresford, although there are halls available for community hire in neighbouring villages within five miles. These have not been supported by this fund within the last five years.  It is recommended that The Christy Memorial Hall Old Alresford is awarded up to 50% of project costs to a maximum of £11,470.		
West Meon Village Hall (Winchester / Meon Valley)	Total kitchen refurbishment and new electrics	The organisation seeks funding towards kitchen refurbishment and new electrics, improving the current kitchen facilities which have not been invested in for twenty-five years. The venue provides facilities for a range of cultural, sporting and community activities for adults and children. No safeguarding policies are in place.  725 Hampshire residents are expected to benefit.	£10,000	£10,000

Organisation (District / Division)	Project Title (Total project costs)	Proposal	Amount Requested	Amount Recommended
West Meon Village Hall, cont.		The organisation has committed £2,000 of its own funds to the project, has secured £500 from West Meon Parish Council and £350 from Winchester City Council and has applied to the National Lottery for £10,000 (outcome due February 2018).  Councillor Huxstep fully supports the application.  Note: Desk research suggests this is the only community hall in West Meon. In neighbouring villages within 5 miles, Privett Village Hall has previously been supported through this fund (£25,000, decision date 25/09/2013).  It is recommended that West Meon Village Hall is awarded up to 44% of project costs to a maximum of £10,000 on condition that Safeguarding Policies are developed. Support will be offered with this.		
TOTAL			£158,137	£151,860