

**SOUTH CAMBRIDGESHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL  
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<b>Portfolio</b>	Housing Portfolio Holder
<b>Subject Matter</b>	Grants to Mobile Warden Schemes 2017-18
<b>Ward(s) Affected</b>	Balsham; Bassingbourn; Cottenham; Harston & Hauxton; Haslingfield & The Eversdens; Histon & Impington; Linton; Melbourn; Meldreth; Milton; Orwell & Barrington; Swavesey; The Mordens
<b>Date Taken</b>	Thursday, 9 February 2017
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<b>Date Published</b>	Thursday, 9 February 2017
<b>Call-In Expiry</b>	Thursday, 16 February 2017
<b>Key Decision?</b>	No
<b>In Forward Plan?</b>	No
<b>Urgent?</b>	No

<b>Purpose / Background</b>
<p>The purpose of this decision is to allocate grants to a number of Mobile/Community Warden Schemes as part of the Council's scheme of grants to the voluntary sector.</p> <p>Mobile and Community Wardens Schemes (sometimes called Community Care Schemes) exist in South Cambridgeshire to support older people to live independently in their homes and in the community they know, and which knows them.</p> <p>The warden schemes are complementary to statutory care services and do not duplicate or replace the medical or social care services that individuals may also require. They can help to combat loneliness and social isolation and can provide significant benefits to clients at relatively low cost. They are seen by clients and their families as a vital community-based service.</p> <p>South Cambridgeshire District Council has been providing grant funding to Mobile and Community Warden Schemes for many years. Until this year, the grant application process has run from December to January. This year it was put forward and has run from October to December.</p>

<b>Declaration(s) of Interest</b>
<i>Record below any relevant interest declared by any executive Member consulted or by an officer present in relation to the decision.</i>
None

<b>Dispensation(s)</b>
<i>In respect of any conflict(s) of interest declared above, record below any dispensation(s)</i>

**granted by the Council's Standards Committee.**

None

**Consultation**  
**Record below all parties consulted in relation to the decision.**

The applications received for the grants were considered by an officer panel consisting of Gemma Barron, Siobhan Mellon and Tracey Cassidy on 20 December 2016.

**Other Options Considered and Reasons for Rejection**

Option 1: To not award funding to any/all of the schemes applying for funding.

This option was rejected due to the valuable work that the schemes do in the District. The schemes provided the information required to satisfy the grant criteria as part of the application process.

Option 2: To award all of the schemes the funding they requested in the application form.

This option was rejected due to the total amount of grant requested exceeding the total grant allocation within the budget of £19250.

**Final decision**

To award the Mobile Warden Schemes the grant funding for 2016-17 as per table 1 below.

To support a valuable community led service within each of these wards/villages in keeping with the Council's aims and objectives.

The decision to award the grants as per Table 1 was made taking into consideration the amount of grant requested, the fees charged by each scheme to the client, the number of clients each scheme supports at any one time, income and expenditure for the previous year and the finances of each scheme.

<b>Scheme</b>	<b>Grant Awarded 2017-18(£)</b>	<b>Amount requested for 2017-18 (£)</b>	<b>Reason(s)</b>
Cottenham Mobile Warden scheme	1050	A contribution towards total costs of £7472	Slightly more was allocated to this scheme than in 2016-17 given that slightly more funding per scheme was available and the scheme circumstances were similar to the previous year.
Harston & District Village Warden scheme	850	1250	Slightly more was allocated to this scheme than in 2016-17 given that slightly more funding per scheme was available and the scheme circumstances were similar to the previous year.
Haslingfield Community Warden scheme	250	500	Same funding as last year, given the good reserves this scheme has.
Histon & Impington Community Warden scheme (Age UK)	2520	2600	More was allocated than in the previous year in recognition of the increased numbers of clients the scheme is catering for.
Linton Community Warden scheme (Age UK)	2500	2600	Slightly more was allocated to this scheme than in 2016-17 given that slightly more funding per scheme was available and the scheme circumstances were similar to the previous year
Melbourn Mobile Warden scheme	2200	2500	Slightly more was allocated to this scheme than in 2016-17 given that slightly more funding per scheme was available and the scheme circumstances were similar to the previous year

Milton Community Care scheme	2000	2000	Slightly more was allocated to this scheme than in 2016-17 given that slightly more funding per scheme was available and the scheme circumstances were similar to the previous year
The Mordens & Litlington Mobile Warden scheme	2000	A contribution towards total costs of £8385	Slightly more was allocated to this scheme than in 2016-17 given that slightly more funding per scheme was available and the scheme circumstances were similar to the previous year
'Small villages'* Community Warden scheme (Age UK) * Balsham, Western Colville, West Wratting, Horseheath, West Wickham, Castle Camps and Shudy Camps	3040	3050	Same funding as last year, just under that requested.
Swavesey Community Warden scheme (Age UK)	1240	1300	Same funding as last year, slightly less than requested.
Teversham Community Warden scheme (Age UK)	1600	1600	As requested.

Signed	Name (CAPITALS)	Signature	Date
Portfolio Holder	Signed copy available upon request from Democratic Services (democratic.services@scams.gov.uk)		
Chief Officer			

Further Information