

LEADER'S PORTFOLIO MEETING

THURSDAY, 23 JULY 2015

DECISIONS

Set out below is a summary of the decisions taken at the Leader's Portfolio Meeting held on Thursday, 23 July 2015. Decisions made by the Portfolio Holder will be subject to call-in. Recommendations made to the Cabinet or to the Council are not subject to call-in. The wording used does not necessarily reflect the actual wording that will appear in the minutes.

If you have any queries about any matters referred to in this decision sheet please contact Patrick Adams.

1. COMMUNITY CHEST GRANTS

The Leader **AGREED** the following grants:

Applicant	Village(s) affected	Project Description	Total Cost of project (£)	Total applied for (£)	Total Awarded (£)
Robinson Hall	Lolworth, Bar Hill, Boxworth	To purchase chairs for the village hall.	1,191.00	1,191.00	1,191.00
Cambridge Junior Cycling Club	Milton	Purchase and installation of 20ft by 10ft shed for storage and maintenance sessions	2,400.00	1,200.00	0
Bassinbourn Cricket Club	Bassingbourn, Litlington, Shingay, Melbourn, Meldreth	Wicket refurbishment – as part of larger refurbishment plans for youth cricket club	840.00	640.00	640.00
Eltisley Parish Council	Eltisley	To purchase a mobile flashing, speed warning sign	4,000.00	1,500.00	0
Eltisley Cricket Club	Eltisley	To purchase a new pitch roller	2,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
St Peter's Church	Horningsea	Improving church facilities/ installing a new disabled toilet	114,000.00	1,500.00	1,500.00

Linton Heights Junior School	Linton	To install a new kitchen in the Domestic Science area, to provide children and community cookery	6851.48	1,500	0
The Countryside Restoration Trust	Barton	To replace old and damaged notice boards and guided walk signs for community recreation and learning	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Elsworth Sports Club	Elsworth	To purchase a shipping container (to be clad) to provide secure storage for groundcare equipment	3,000.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
Fulbourn Pre-School	Fulbourn	To make repairs to outdoor Wendy house and purchase books and bookcases for the space	350.00	350.00	350.00
Harston Parish Council	Harston	To replace village noticeboard	996.80	996.80	996.80
Melbourn Village College	Melbourn	To purchase computer numeric control equipment for use in technology subjects	4,600.00	1,500.00	0
1 st Over St Mary's Scout Group	Over	To build fire pits that allow the group to teach basic fire lighting and cooking in safe environment	2,000.00	1,500.00	0 (deferred)

Whaddon Village Hall and Recreation Ground Trust	Whaddon	To provide a parking area for the playground	16,700	1,500.00	1,500.00
Cambridge Sport Lakes Trust	Milton	To purchase multiple items associated with all-ability biking: an adaptive seat, ramp for container to allow wheelchair bike access. Also a sign, noticeboard, allan keys, volunteer tshirts, magnetic postcards (for public £348)	915.00	915.00	567.00
Linton Infants Parent Teacher Friends Association	Linton	To purchase playground equipment	32,000.00	1,500.00	0
Cambridge Sports Lakes Trust	Milton (Entire District)	Re-decking a pedestrian bridge (badly damaged accident hazard)	8,861.70	1,500.00	1,500.00

Other Options Considered: The Leader was invited to consider each grant and decide whether to

1. Award the amount of funding requested
2. Award an alternative amount of funding, including zero funding.
3. Defer a decision if further information is required from grant applicants.

Reason For Decision: The Leader decided on 17 July 2014 to make community grant funding decisions at his portfolio holder meetings.

2. GRANTS MONITORING REPORT

The Leader

APPROVED the continued provision of grant assistance to the current grant recipients supports through the Service Support Grant fund (subject to three year funding agreements) as agreed at the Joint Portfolio Holder Meeting on 23 September 2013.

The Leader

NOTED the delivery of all other grant programmes within the scope of this report, as currently delivered.

Other Options Considered: The Leader was invited to approve, vary or discontinue the current grant funding arrangements for the Service Support Grant Fund (subject to three year funding agreements).

Reason For Decision: The closed Capital Grants programme (Appendix 1) retained financial commitment to 17 projects midway through the 2014/15 financial.

Substantial progress has been made over the last six months by the projects supported by the Capital Grants programme. A further £117,239 of payments were made in the last two quarters, reducing the outstanding sum to £69,220.

Of the ten projects remaining open in the Capital Grants programme, all bar three projects are awaiting a completion certificate to enable the final payment. Of these three the projects that remain to be of concern are the Hardwick Scout Group's new community building (the group has not been forthcoming about the progress made with the project) and the Melbourn Play Parks Project (no recent communication has been received).

Regarding the open programmes (Appendix 2), the majority of organisations receiving grant support have delivered the agreed outputs to time and to budget, achieving the objectives of the individual grant programmes. All recipients are being actively monitored.