

SOUTH CAMBRIDGESHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Grants Advisory Committee held on
Friday, 30 August 2019 at 10.00 a.m.

PRESENT: Councillor Jose Hales – Chairman
Councillor Clare Delderfield – Vice-Chairman

Councillors: Sue Ellington Peter McDonald

Officers in attendance for all or part of the meeting:
Gemma Barron (Head of Sustainable Communities and Wellbeing), Ellen Bridges
(Project Officer - Sustainable Communities and Partnerships) and Ian Senior
(Democratic Services Officer)

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Councillor Dr. Claire Daunton sent Apologies for Absence.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Jose Hales declared a disclosable pecuniary interest in the grant application from the Melbourn Mobile Warden Scheme because his wife is the Scheme's Manager and he himself is a trustee.

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The Grants Advisory Committee authorised the Chairman to sign, as a correct record, the Minutes of the meeting held on 26 July 2019.

4. COMMUNITY CHEST: FUNDING APPLICATIONS

The Grants Advisory Committee considered a report on new applications received between 1 July 2019 and 31 July 2019.

Having declared a disclosable pecuniary interest in Melbourn Mobile Warden Scheme because his wife was the Scheme's Manager and he himself was a trustee, Councillor Jose Hales outlined in general terms the nature and aim of the project being undertaken by the Melbourn Mobile Warden Scheme, and then left the room.

Councillor Clare Delderfield took the Chair for the consideration of the application from the Melbourn Mobile Warden Scheme. Those present acknowledged the social value of the project but emphasised the importance of making sure that the request was not for on-going running costs. They discussed the extent of the grant application and established the breakdown of costs as including catering, a raffle, printing, venue and community transport.

Councillor Jose Hales retook the Chair for the remainder of the meeting.

Regarding the application from Duxford Pre-School, Councillor Peter McDonald (the Member for Duxford) confirmed that the sum of £500 had already been raised and that the application for £1,000 was to complete the total one-off project cost.

The Grants Advisory Committee noted that the Northstowe Social Committee had withdrawn its application in respect of the printing and delivery of *Northstowe News* because the total cost of the project had now been met from other sources.

Regarding Sustainable Cottenham, Members asked officers to establish the proportion of the sum applied for that was intended to pay for the necessary enquiries of the Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS). Such checks for voluntary groups were free of charge. Members asked officers to reallocate those funds if appropriate.

The Grants Advisory Committee made the following **recommendations** to the Lead Cabinet Member for Finance:

| Applicant | Village(s) affected | Description | Total applied for (£) | Total recommended (£) | Additional conditions/ comments |
|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|---|-----------------------|-----------------------|--|
| Melbourn Mobile Warden Scheme | Melbourn, Meldreth and Shepreth | Catering of 50 meals at the next Celebrating Ages Event | 835.50 | 835.50 | |
| Duxford Preschool | Preschool | Duxford and the surrounding villages | 1000.00 | 1000.00 | |
| Northstowe Social Committee | Social Committee | Northstowe | 1000.00 | Nil | Application withdrawn (received funding elsewhere) |
| Sustainable Cottenham | Volunteer Group | Cottenham | 610.00 | 610.00 | |

5. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next scheduled Grants Advisory Committee meeting would be on Friday 27 September 2019 starting at 10.00am

The Meeting ended at 10.20 a.m.
