



REPORT TO: Grants Advisory Committee 27 September 2019

LEAD CABINET MEMBER: Councillor John Williams Lead Cabinet Member for Finance

LEAD OFFICER: Gemma Barron

GRANTS REPORT 2018-19

Executive Summary

1. To review the delivery of grant programmes funded by the Council in 2018-19.

Key Decision

2. No.

Recommendations

3. The Grants Advisory Committee (GAC) is asked to note, review and comment on:
 - (a) the content of the report summarising grant funding for the year 2018-19; and
 - (b) the commitment to bring a report (or reports) to a future meeting (date to be decided), that will look at options for the following funds, which have been identified for review:
 - 1) Wildlife Enhancement Scheme [see para (d)(ii) of Appendix 1]
 - 2) Children and Young People's Area Partnership [see para (e)(i) of Appendix 1] ;
 - 3) Elite Athlete Award Scheme [see para (e)(ii) of Appendix 1].

Reasons for Recommendations

4. All organisations receiving grant support delivered the agreed outputs to time and to budget, achieving the objectives of the individual grant programmes. All recipients were being actively monitored.
5. The three schemes at 3(b) have been identified for review for various reasons, as follows:
 - (a) Wildlife Enhancement Scheme – this scheme needs to be reviewed in line with current Business Plan priorities;
 - (b) Children and Young People's Area Partnership – this committee of countywide partners is under review and so, consequently, there is no need for SCDC to provide it with annual funding. A report on this scheme will be brought to GAC when the area partnership review has been undertaken.

- (c) The decision was taken by Cabinet on 3/4/19 to end the Elite Athletes Scheme. However, it was also agreed that this funding would remain grant funding and, therefore, this scheme requires a review to bring it in line with current Business Plan priorities.

Details

- 6. This report provides an overview of all grant aid from South Cambridgeshire District Council to the voluntary sector.
- 7. The scope of this report covers the following grant funds:
 - (a) Supporting Parishes and Communities
 - (i) Community Chest
 - (ii) Community Energy Grant
 - (b) Voluntary Sector – Advice and other grants
 - (i) Service Support Grants
 - 1. Generalist and Specialist Advice
 - 2. Community Transport
 - 3. Independent Living
 - 4. Support Parishes and Communities
 - 5. Fit to Learn
 - 6. Homelessness Prevention
 - (c) Housing and Independent Living
 - (i) Mortgage advice
 - (ii) Mobile Warden Scheme
 - (d) Planning and Economic Development
 - (i) Museum
 - (ii) Wildlife Enhancement
 - (e) Young people
 - (i) Young People's Partnership
 - (ii) Elite Athlete Award Scheme
- 8. Funding agreements for grants provided through the Service Support Grants programme are for three years, subject to satisfactory performance at annual review. This report is for the third (and final) year for funding agreements for 2016-19. Monitoring and reporting on grants takes place at six monthly intervals.
- 9. A summary report of progress including an officer opinion on status against agreed targets is provided in Appendix 1.
- 10. Appendix 2 includes further detailed reports as provided by grant recipients.
- 11. A summary of Community Chest applications granted in 2018-19 can be found at Appendix 3.

12. A summary of Community Energy Grant applications granted in 2018-19 can be found at Appendix 4.

Options

13. The Grants Advisory Committee could:
- (a) Note the delivery of all grant programmes within the scope of this report, as currently delivered; and/or
 - (b) Highlight any concerns for further investigation or action ; and/or
 - (c) Provide a prospective date for a report (or reports) to come to this Committee providing options for the unallocated or discontinued funds – as stated in para 3 of this report.

Implications

14. There are no significant implications.

Consultation responses

15. None.

Effect on Council Priority Areas

- **Growing local businesses and economies**

16. This tranche of grants was agreed by the previous administration and therefore has no direct effect on the current Council Priority Areas.

- **Housing that is truly affordable for everyone to live in**

17. As above.

- **Being green to our core**

18. As above.

- **A modern and caring Council**

19. As above.

Background Papers

Leaders Portfolio Meeting, 16 December 2016
<http://moderngov.ie/ListDocuments.aspx?CId=883&MIId=6680&Ver=4>

Leaders Portfolio Meeting, 28 January 2016
<http://moderngov.ie/ListDocuments.aspx?CId=883&MIId=6699&Ver=4>

Finance and Staffing Portfolio Holder's Meeting, 17 January 2017

<https://scambs.moderngov.co.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=932&MId=6822&Ver=4>

Finance and Staffing Portfolio Holder's Meeting, 22 August 2017

<https://scambs.moderngov.co.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=932&MId=6889&Ver=4>

Finance and Staffing Portfolio Holder's Meeting, 19 December 2017

<https://scambs.moderngov.co.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=932&MId=6897&Ver=4>

Grants Advisory Committee, 21 June 2018

<https://scambs.moderngov.co.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=1096&MId=7305&Ver=4>

Grants Advisory Committee, 27 November 2018

<https://scambs.moderngov.co.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=1096&MId=7433&Ver=4>

Grants Advisory Committee, 13 December 2018

<https://scambs.moderngov.co.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=1096&MId=7448&Ver=4>

Grants Advisory Committee, 25 Friday 2019

<https://scambs.moderngov.co.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=1096&MId=7484&Ver=4>

Grants Advisory Committee, 22 February 2019

<https://scambs.moderngov.co.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=1096&MId=7486&Ver=4>

Cabinet, 3 April 2019

<https://scambs.moderngov.co.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=293&MId=7366&Ver=4>

Appendices

Appendix 1: Officer Highlights Report

Appendix 2: Individual Reports

Appendix 3: Community Chest Grants

Appendix 4: Community Energy Grants

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