## SOUTH CAMBRIDGESHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Grants Advisory Committee held on Friday, 31 January 2020 at 10.00 a.m.

PRESENT: Councillor Jose Hales – Chairman

Councillors: Dr. Claire Daunton Sue Ellington

Officers in attendance for all or part of the meeting:

Ellen Bridges (Project Officer)

Kathryn Hawkes (Programme Manager) Lesley McFarlane (Development Officer)

Aaron Clarke (Democratic Services Officer)

## 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Councillors Clare Delderfield and Peter McDonald sent Apologies for Absence.

## 2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

# 3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The Grants Advisory Committee authorised the Chairman to sign, as a correct record, the minutes of the meetings held on both 16 December 2019 and 20 December 2019.

## 4. COMMUNITY CHEST: FUNDING APPLICATIONS

|   | Applicant                        | Village(s)<br>affected                      | Description  | Total applied for (£) | Total<br>recomm<br>ended<br>(£) | Additional conditions/ comments   |
|---|----------------------------------|---|--|-----------------------|---------------------------------|---|
| 1 | Elsworth<br>Pre School           | Elsworth<br>and nearby<br>villages          | To replace a fridge with one that is more energy efficient | 317.00                | 317.00                          |   |
| 2 | Parkrun UK                       | Cambourne<br>and<br>surrounding<br>villages | To set-up a<br>Cambourne Junior<br>Parkrun                 | 1000.00               | 725.00                          | Grants Advisory Committee are not prepared to increase their grant to £1000.00. |
| 3 | Gamlingay<br>Community<br>Centre | Gamlingay                                   | To purchase a newer second-hand bowls carpet and winder    | 780.79                | 780.79                          |   |

| 4 | Fowlmere<br>Fundraisers   | Fowlmere<br>and<br>surrounding<br>villages     | Set-up costs to<br>hold village events<br>including a<br>pantomime in the<br>local village                                  | 1000.00 | 1000.00 |  |
|---|---|--|---|---------|---------|--|
| 5 | Cambridge<br>Past,<br>Present and<br>Future                       | Wandlebury                                     | To purchase plants and pond dipping equipment for the Wandlebury Pond project   | 996.00  | 996.00  |  |
| 6 | Abington<br>Allotment<br>and Leisure<br>Gardeners'<br>Association | Great<br>Abington<br>and Little<br>Abington    | To purchase a petrol-engine shredder  | 899.00  | 899.00  |  |
| 7 | Fowlmere<br>Recreation<br>Ground and<br>Village Hall              | Fowlmere<br>and the<br>surrounding<br>villages | To re-level and regravel the village hall car park as part of an overall project to improve the car park and changing rooms | 1000.00 | 1000.00 |  |

#### 5. MOBILE WARDEN SCHEMES - LESLEY MCFARLANE

The Grants Advisory Committee had an extensive discussion surrounding the three separate options for the distribution of the £200k budget with regard to the Mobile Warden Schemes.

Councillor Claire Daunton identified an issue of putting too much burden on some Parish Councils to run such schemes, particularly those that may not be as well resourced.

Councillor Daunton also highlighted that the Council needed to be confident that the schemes were being well managed across the district, particularly since the Council's name would be attached to the project.

The Group **agreed** to recommend option 3.

It was **agreed** that a forecast would be brought back to the Grants Committee in January 2021, to identify how much the Council may need to contribute to help sustain the mobile warden schemes that had been set-up.

It was **agreed** to recommend to the Lead Member for Finance that £140k for to be assigned for procured projects and £60k to be assigned for an individual grant fund.

It was **agreed** that Aaron Clarke would distribute a doodle poll to identify an appropriate day for Members of the Committee to attend the Grants committee that was not a Friday.

# 6. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The Grants Advisory Committee noted that its next meeting would be on 28 February 2020, starting at 10:00am.

The Meeting ended at 12.00 p.m.