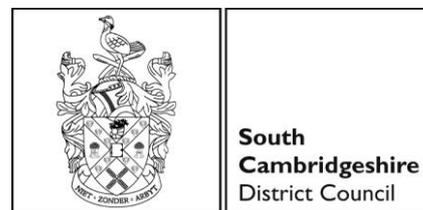


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18 March 2021

To: Chairman – Councillor Jose Hales
Vice-Chairman – Councillor Sue Ellington
All Members of the Grants Advisory Committee - Councillors
Dr. Martin Cahn, Dr. Claire Daunton, Peter McDonald and Bill Handley

Quorum: 3

Substitutes: Councillors Bunty Waters, Tom Bygott, Dr. Shrobona Bhattacharya,
Mark Howell, Heather Williams and Sarah Cheung Johnson

Dear Councillor

You are invited to attend the next meeting of **Grants Advisory Committee**, which will be held in the **Virtual meeting - Online** at South Cambridgeshire Hall on **Friday, 26 March 2021 at 10.00 a.m.**

Members are respectfully reminded that when substituting on committees, subcommittees, and outside or joint bodies, Democratic Services must be advised of the substitution ***in advance of*** the meeting. It is not possible to accept a substitute once the meeting has started. Council Standing Order 4.3 refers.

Yours faithfully

Liz Watts

Chief Executive

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7. **Date of next meeting**

Friday 30 April 2021 at 10:00am.



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Agenda Item 3

South Cambridgeshire District Council

Minutes of a meeting of the Grants Advisory Committee held on
Friday, 26 February 2021 at 10.00 a.m.

PRESENT: Councillor Jose Hales – Chair
Councillor Sue Ellington – Vice-Chair

Councillors: Dr. Claire Daunton Peter McDonald
Bill Handley

Officers in attendance for all or part of the meeting:

Aaron Clarke	Democratic Services Officer
Emma Dyer	Project Officer, Climate and Environment
Jay Clarke	Programme Manager
Jon London	Northstowe Community Development Officer
Rebecca Weymouth-Wood	Waste Policy, Change and Innovation Manager

Councillor John Williams (Lead Cabinet Member for Finance) was in attendance, by invitation.

1. Apologies for Absence

There were no apologies for absence.

2. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

3. Minutes of Previous Meeting

The Grants Advisory Committee authorised the Chair to sign, as a correct record, the minutes of the meeting held Friday January 2021.

4. Community Chest Grant: Funding Applications

The Grants Advisory Committee reviewed all Community Chest applications received between 21st January 2021 and 12 Feb 2021.

After consideration of these applications, the Committee recommended to the Lead Cabinet Member for Finance that:

1. Bassingbourn Nature Rangers (CNDMQGMT) be deferred pending further information.
2. Sew Positive (DFGDHTLL) be funded at the requested amount of £1000
3. Arthur Rank Hospice Charity (WCGXMSDZ) be funded at the requested amount of £564.00
4. Linton Village Cricket Club (KGZHXVSS) be funded at the requested amount of £1000

After consideration of temporary amendments to the Community Chest Guidance, the Committee recommended to the Lead Cabinet Member for Finance that the following text

be inserted to the Community Chest Guidance (Appendix B):

“The Grants Advisory Committee have agreed to relax the eligible body requirements for Community Chest Applications until 28th May 2021 committee meeting (and a second round of applications to be invited to June 2021 Committee if unspent funding remains). This is to allow any group or Parish Council to apply for a Covid recovery related grant of up to £2,000. The Committee can award a maximum grant allocation of up to £2000 specifically in the case of applications designed to mitigate the effects of the Coronavirus pandemic and aid recovery.”

This was in addition to the standard Community Chest applications that may be made.

This was a temporary change to Community Chest Guidance, for applications brought before May 2021 (or possibly June 2021) committee meetings depending on remaining funding.

It was noted that this was a temporary change in guidance and that any applications reviewed under this guidance were done so entirely at the discretion of the Grants Advisory Committee. No guarantee of funding was made for normal or Covid recovery related Community Chest Applications.

5. Zero Carbon Communities (ZCC) Grant Scheme 2021-22

The Committee noted that the Zero Carbon Communities (ZCC) Grant Fund for 2021/22 would be split across the 3 themes, with the potential to change the amount of funding allocated to each theme if necessary:

- I. Community buildings (40%)
- II. Tree planting & nature (40%)
- III. Exceptional projects (20%)

It was remarked by the Committee that as community engagement was part of the criteria, the Council must ensure that community engagement was more than just publicity and that applicants need to show evidence of wider engagement to reduce carbon emissions. It was **agreed** that examples would be provided for applicants so that they could understand what was expected and the process by which to achieve it. It was also suggested that the Council could put applicants in touch with Parish Councils or groups that were previously successful to provide advice.

The Committee requested that officers include a section covering additionality, which would show that the applicant had not applied for overlapping funding from another government source. It was noted that those applicants who were unsuccessful in previous round of funding were given suggestions on which other grants they might be able to receive funding from and how to access them.

It was noted that the previous round of funding received 56 applications of which 17 were funded, it was remarked however, that the full total of funded applications was 27 as 10 energy surveys had also been carried out.

It was remarked by Members that the Zero Carbon Communities fund should be spread further than in previous rounds. It was **agreed** that officers would review splitting the grant to ensure a more even spread. It was suggested to split the funding so that 50% would be available for schemes over £10k and 50% available for those under 10k.

The committee requested for case studies to be provided for any small, medium or large projects. The Committee requested further advertising of the environment partnership event as this would allow prospective applicants to hear from those who had previously been successful. It was **agreed** that this would be recorded to allow those who miss to access this information.

It was **agreed** that the date for application submissions would be changed to the end of July. Since the meeting it was agreed that the grant would be launched on 10 May 2021, rather than 1 April 2021 due to the pre-election period.

It was **agreed** that officers would review how to take certain applications out of the grant fund to be hired by the Council to provide a service. It was queried if this would need to go through the full procurement process.

It was noted that any applications that had requested more than £5,000 would be recommended to seek part funding from other sources.

The Grants Advisory Committee, in discussion with the Climate and Environment Advisory Committee confirmed that the changes to the Zero Carbon Communities (ZCC) Grant Fund did not significantly affect the policies and criteria of the grant scheme.

6. **Date of next meetings**

Friday 26 March 2021 at 10:00am.

The Meeting ended at 11.50 a.m.

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Agenda Item 4



**South
Cambridgeshire
District Council**

REPORT TO: Grants Advisory Committee

26 March 2021

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

LEAD OFFICER: Jay Clarke

Community Chest Grant: Funding Applications

Executive Summary

1. To consider new applications received between 12th February 2021 and 12 March 2021 to the Community Chest funding scheme during 2020/21. There is one deferral to consider.

Key Decision

2. Is this a Key Decision? – No.

Recommendations

3. It is recommended that the Grants Advisory Committee considers all applications for funding that are set out in Appendix A to this report and makes a recommendation to the Lead Cabinet Member regarding the level of funding (£0 - £1,000) to be awarded for each or defer a decision, if further information is required, or reject an application if it doesn't comply with the grants' criteria.

Reasons for Recommendations

4. The Grants Advisory Committee's role is to consider and make recommendations to the Lead Cabinet Member responsible for grants, or Cabinet as appropriate, including, but not limited to:
 - a) Review of the Council's grants schemes to ensure they reflect Council priorities.
 - b) Design of any new or revised grants schemes, including consideration of criteria and guidance applicable in respect of each scheme.
 - c) Consideration of applications made under the Council's grants schemes.

Details

5. The Community Chest is grant funding available to voluntary and community sector groups, charities and public sector bodies wishing to further improve quality of life in South Cambridgeshire Applicants may apply for up to £1,000 and the community activity or project must deliver one or more of the following:
 - Improvements to community buildings and spaces (i.e. village halls / pavilions / play areas etc)
 - Repairs to historic buildings / monuments / memorials
 - Equipment / capital purchase
 - Materials
 - Start-up costs (may include training of staff / volunteers, hall hire and other revenue costs).
6. Guidance notes and eligibility criteria can be found at Appendix B.
7. Total amount of funding made available for 2020/21 is £58,140.00.
8. There is **1** new application totalling **£1,000** for consideration and **1** deferred application totalling **£1,000**. The amount of funding remaining for allocation is **£42,075.75** A summary of the applications can be found at Appendix A (copies of the applications forms are available from the Sustainable Communities and Wellbeing Team upon request).

Options

9. The Grants Advisory Committee may consider all applications for funding that are set out in Appendix A of this report and recommend to the Lead Cabinet Member to:
10.
 - a. award the amount of funding requested,
 - b. award an alternative amount of funding, including zero funding,
 - c. defer a decision, if further information is required from grant applicants, or
 - d. reject an application stating the reason for this.

Implications

11. There are no significant implications

Risks/Opportunities

12. Applicants are required to provide supporting documents including copies of their constitution, financial accounts and quotes where applicable. Applicants must agree to the grant conditions before funds are released.

Consultation responses

13. Local members have been consulted on applications that directly affect their local area.

Effect on Council Priority Areas

14. The corporate aims are referenced in the criteria and guidance notes for the Community Chest.

Background Papers

Grants Advisory Committee Meetings

<https://scambs.moderngov.co.uk/ieListMeetings.aspx?CId=1096&Year=0>

Appendices

Appendix A: Applications Summary

Appendix B: Guidance notes for Community Chest

Report Author:

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Reference	CNDMQGMT	Deferred from February 2021		
Name of Organisation	Bassingbourn Nature Rangers			
Organisation Type	Constituted community group			
CCVS Registered	No			
Parish	Bassingbourn			
Land Owner	Various			
Project Type	Start-up			
Green option considered?	N/A			
Documentation Status	Safeguarding	Yes	Accounts	Yes
	Quote	Yes	Mission Statement	Yes
District Councillor Support	Cllr Cathcart – supportive though wanted clarity on costs			
Parish Council Support	Supportive (pending council meeting decision for funding)			
Officer Summary	<p>Bassingbourn Nature Rangers will be a local group run by volunteers, providing a fun activity group for local children aged between 5 and 12. The focus on the group will be everything involving nature, the environment and the world around us. This will be done largely by focussing on activities in the outdoors for example; nature walks, conker collecting, working on a local allotment, pond dipping, litter picking, spending time in the local wooded areas and nature spots, and working alongside local Environmental and Climate awareness groups.</p> <p>Their stated aim is that their members will be confident in the outdoors and will enjoy becoming independent young people using the environment to engage their senses improving their mental health and wellbeing.</p> <p>These activities will start, when safe to do so, after the pandemic. This application is for start-up costs, including DBS checks, tools and initial craft materials. They have successfully bid to the County Council community reach fund for £1000.</p> <p>This application was deferred from February 2021 committee meeting. The committee requested further information on project costings/purchases, such as qualifications of the leaders and health and safety.</p> <p>After requesting further information and reading through the detailed added information on the application please note the following additional information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The group will be spending time in the local wooded areas and nature spots, working alongside the local Environmental and Climate awareness groups. • 15 members signed up, eager to get back out into nature • They need equipment to be able to be ready to open as soon as the schools re-open after lockdown. They do not have anything in place now, so need to conduct DBS checks, purchase uniforms and equipment such as; spades, forks, a lockable shed, PPE and Stationary. The leaders also need to take courses, so they are up to date with knowledge on all aspects of health and safety, first aid and any other required training. • They are all inclusive and have no prejudice to any child that wants to join. They have already had local residents offer help in teaching lots of different lessons such as first aid and making beeswax wraps. They are also working with the Climate Change and Environment groups that are already set 			

up in the village, so that the children will have a wide range of life lessons to learn to take with them into adult life and help them appreciate the world around them

- The project is backed by Susan Van De Ven, Cambridgeshire County Councillor
- Other listed purchases include, Uniform £150, Badges £100, DBS checks £40 each £120, PPE £100 Outdoor Equipment (spades, forks, buckets, pots, watering cans etc...) £300, Lockable Shed £250 Insurances £500 , Room Hire £600 per year

Total Project Cost:	£2500	Total Applied For:	£1000
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Reference	BCNHZCDJ			New Application
Name of Organisation	The PPC All Saints Church, Cottenham			
Organisation Type	Charity - 1177838			
CCVS Registered	No			
Parish	Cottenham			
Land Owner	Chancellor of Ely Diocese			
Project Type	Equipment/Capital Purchase			
Green option considered?	N/A			
Documentation Status	Safeguarding	Yes	Accounts	Yes
	Quote	Yes	Mission Statement/Constitution	yes
District Councillor Support	Cllr Wilson - positively supports Cllr Neil Gough - contacted			
Parish Council Support	Support the project but not permitted to contribute (requested further information)			
Officer Summary				

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) All Saints Church Cottenham. The PCC governs activities of the church and the church is supported by voluntary contributions. The Church has received Faculty Approval for the implementation of this project.

The funding is required to support the purchase and installation of a digital projector and screen at All Saints Church, Cottenham. The church wishes to use this the equipment to 'broaden its own services' and it is thought that this will also benefit the wider community by allowing local community groups and individuals to utilise this equipment. For example; lectures, presentations and concerts. The church is encouraged to make the building more accessible and user friendly and they believe this equipment will contribute to that aim.

A supporting letter has been received from Mr Phillip Saunders a local historian. Mr Saunders supports this project and will look to use the equipment for presentation of his lectures in the future.

A supporting letter has also been received from Ms Helen Medlock of Medlock Music. Ms Medlock is responsible for the All Saints Orchestra in residence and will use the equipment for concerts and publicity of events, including sponsorship display.

Parish council confirmed to the applicants that although they support the aim of the project, they are unable to support financially due to regulations surrounding financial support of the Church.

The total cost of the project is £13,343.99 and additional funding has been sourced from other grant providers.

Allchurches Trust £3,800

Fen Edge Community Association £2,000

Dr John Fitzwilliam Charity £1,000

Other grant applications and fundraising activities are also ongoing.

Total Project Cost:	£13,343.99	Total Applied For:	£1,000
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Guidance notes for Community Chest

Temporary criteria amendments for the scheme for applications up until 10th May 2021

The Grants Advisory Committee have agreed to relax the eligible body requirements for Community Chest Applications until 28th May 2021 committee meeting (and a second round of applications to be invited to June 2021 Committee if unspent funding remains). This is to allow any group or Parish Council to apply for a Covid recovery related grant of up to £2,000. The Committee can award a maximum grant allocation of up to £2000 specifically in the case of applications designed to mitigate the effects of the Coronavirus pandemic and aid recovery.

This is in addition to the standard Community Chest application that may be made.

This is a temporary change to Community Chest Guidance, for applications brought before May 2021 (and possibly June 2021) committee meetings depending on remaining funding. For example, a parish council which would usually be ineligible for funding can apply for Covid specific funding for up to £2,000, a group could apply for up to £2,000, or if a particularly worthwhile project requested part funding, the Grants Advisory Committee may fund the project at a higher level than requested if it feels appropriate to do so. Covid recovery related applications are restricted to one application per eligible body, and a group may apply for both Community Chest grant and Covid Recovery Grant in the current financial year. This is a temporary change in guidance and any applications reviewed under this guidance are done so entirely at the discretion of the Grants Advisory Committee. No guarantee of funding is made for normal or Covid recovery related Community Chest Grants.

What is the Community Chest?

The Community Chest is grant funding available to voluntary and community sector groups, charities and public sector bodies wishing to further improve quality of life in South Cambridgeshire.

Who can apply?

Applicants must:

- Either be a non-profit group OR organisation based in South Cambridgeshire or benefiting South Cambridgeshire residents, OR be a public sector body with a demonstrable community focus (individuals and businesses are not eligible)
- Be a Parish Council or Parish Meeting with fewer than 160 registered electors*
- Have a written constitution or mission statement
- Have an elected committee or representative steering group
- Be able to provide an up to date copy of their accounts and any relevant protection policies

If you have questions about these criteria, please contact us using the details below.

If your organisation does not have a written constitution, mission statement and/or relevant protection policies please contact Cambridge Council for Voluntary Service for advice in meeting these requirements. Please call 01223 464696 or email enquiries@cambridgecvs.org.uk

*Please note: The Committee reserves the right to supersede this clause should the PC or PM show good cause, for example:

- a) The PC or PM have multiple settlements and the application pertains to any one of these which satisfies the 160 elector threshold or
- b) Registered electors are within 10% of the threshold.

What must the project deliver?

The community activity or project must:

- Help us deliver one or more of the following aims:
 - Promote healthy and active communities
 - Enable inclusive communities
 - Develop skills
 - Enhance the natural environment
- Meet local need and leave a legacy for the community
- Ensure equality of access

What can be funded?

The community activity or project should be one of the following:

- Improvements to community buildings and spaces (i.e. village halls/pavilions/play areas etc)
- Repairs to Historic Buildings/Monuments/Memorials
- Equipment/Capital Purchase
- Materials
- 'Start-up' costs (may include training of staff/volunteers, hall hire and other revenue costs)

What cannot be funded?

- On-going revenue costs or overheads (e.g. salaries, rent, advertising, promotional materials)
- Projects that replace funding by other public sector bodies, including parish councils (e.g. youth services, highways)
- Costs associated with preparing/printing Parish Plans
- Costs associated with Neighbourhood Watch schemes
- Costs associated with Community Speedwatch schemes or other traffic initiatives
- Costs associated with purchasing defibrillators
- Items that would only benefit 'individuals' and not the group (e.g. sports kits)
- Projects that have previously received Community Chest funding in the same financial year

How much can be applied for?

The maximum award is £1,000 in any single financial year (April-March) and can be for 100% of the project's costs unless the initiative is on parish council land, in which case a 50% contribution from the parish council is expected.

If there is high demand for funding it may mean that the Council is only able to make a contribution to your project. The Council reserves the right to prioritise based on funding available, size of electorate, parish precept, indices of deprivation, number and type of

applications received at any given time, priorities for the financial year and value for money. Eligibility does not guarantee grant funding.

When can groups apply?

The Community Chest opens in April and October each year, with 50% of the annual budget released at each point. Groups can apply at any time during the financial year until the funding is fully allocated for that period.

Preferred green options

Applications to the Community Chest to renovate or purchase items that include an internal combustion engine (including accessories) will not normally be considered.

For such an application to be considered evidence must be provided to demonstrate why an electric variant is not being considered. Such evidence should include market research demonstrating that a similar electrically powered variant is not within price range, or that due to technical differences such a unit would not be fit for purpose.

What supporting documentation is required?

- A copy of your organisation's constitution or mission statement
- A copy of your latest accounts (audited if available)
- A quote for the community activity or project
- A copy of your safeguarding policy

In addition, the following will be required if relevant to the project:

- Appropriate protection policies: children, young people, vulnerable adults
- Public Rights of Way consent from landowner
- Any other relevant material that would support your application

How will the grant be paid?

If successful, the applicant will receive the grant payment once we have received acknowledgement of the grant offer and acceptance of the terms and conditions.

What are the conditions of funding?

Groups that are awarded a grant will be expected to comply with the following conditions as a minimum:

- Funding must only be used for the agreed purpose and spent within 12-months of the award being made (unless otherwise agreed in writing)
- Any publicity must acknowledge the award provided
- Unused grant must be returned to South Cambridgeshire District Council
- An end of project evaluation must be submitted to South Cambridgeshire District Council within 3-months of project completion. Details about this are available on the SCDC website

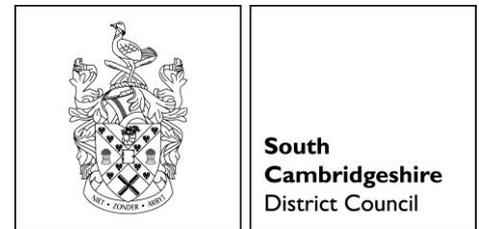
Any award will not be means tested but applicants will be expected to have sought other means of local funding, especially from the parish council who may have funds available through planning developments (S106) or through its precept (S137).

For further information please go to:

<https://www.scams.gov.uk/communitychest>

Contact Details: community.chest@scams.gov.uk

Agenda Item 5



REPORT TO: Grants Advisory Committee

26 March 2021

LEAD CABINET MEMBER: Cllr John Williams

LEAD OFFICER: Jeff Membery

Mobile Warden Scheme Grant Funding 2021-2024

Executive Summary

1. The purpose of this paper is to recommend the level of grant funding to be awarded to local Mobile and Community Warden Schemes, as part of the Council's scheme of grants to the voluntary sector for 2021-2024. This follows agreement on 25 October 2019 to amend the agreement term for Mobile and Community Warden Schemes from 1 year to 3 years as part of its ongoing commitment to existing schemes.

Key Decision

2. No. This report seeks to provide options to GAC for recommendation on to the Lead Member for Finance.

Recommendations

3. It is proposed that Grants Advisory Committee recommends to the Lead Cabinet Member the funding of local Mobile and Community Warden Schemes in 2021-2024 as per the sums at point 15 of this paper.

Reasons for Recommendations

3. The Grants Advisory Committee's role is to consider options and make recommendations regarding grants to the Lead Cabinet Member for Finance (or to Cabinet as appropriate), including, but not limited to:
 - a) Reviewing the Council's grants schemes to ensure they reflect Council priorities;

- b) Designing new or revising existing grants schemes, including consideration of criteria and guidance applicable in respect of each scheme;
- c) Consideration of applications made under the Council's grants schemes.

4. The recommended Mobile and Community Warden Scheme grant levels for 2021-2024 take into consideration:

- a) The amount of grant funding requested;
- b) The fees charged to the client;
- c) The number of clients supported in the previous year;
- d) Income and expenditure for the previous year;
- e) The scheme's finances;
- f) Amounts of restricted and unrestricted reserves;
- g) Increases to operational costs over the 3-year period including increases to warden salaries and expenses.

5. The recommended grant levels for 2021-2024 reflect the Council's commitment to existing Mobile and Community Warden Scheme and takes into consideration the increased levels of funding to support schemes to continue to build their capacity and increase membership. Some schemes have been particularly affected by Covid-19 in the past 12 months which has negatively affected other forms of income streams such as community fundraising activities (reported in detail to Grants Advisory Committee in September 2020).

Details

6. Mobile and Community Warden Schemes (sometimes called Community Care Schemes) exist in South Cambridgeshire to support older people to live independently in their homes and in the communities they know, and which know them.

7. 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.

8. South Cambridgeshire District Council has been providing grant funding to Mobile and Community Warden Schemes for many years. Applications to the 2021-24 grant funding round

were welcomed from 30 November 2020 to 29 January 2021. The scheme was advertised on the Council's website, via press release, on social media, via the parish e-bulletin, via local voluntary organisations and direct to all applicants from the previous two years.

9. Applications were received from all of the applicants that have applied in previous years except for Haslingfield. A summary of the applications can be found at Appendix A (copies of the application forms are available from the Sustainable Communities and Wellbeing Team upon request).
10. Correspondence was received from the treasurer of the Haslingfield scheme stating that they did not wish to apply under the terms of the 3-year agreement. The scheme has been negatively affected by the Covid pandemic and due to the demographics of the village, the scheme is experiencing a steady decline in membership. A decision over the future of the scheme will be made later in the year with trustees, volunteers and parish councillors. Relevant Councillors have been notified.
11. From October 2022, the Age UK application includes partial funding for the newly procured schemes whose full funding will expire in September 2022; at this point they will automatically transfer to partial funding model in line with existing schemes (see point 15 below)
12. This round of funding did not include an application from Gamlingay whose full funding agreement will also expire in September 2022. However, budget has been allocated in anticipation of this at Grants Advisory Committee on 27 November 2020 and the Trustees of that scheme will be contacted ahead of time to make a one-off application for partial funding from October 2022 to March 2024.
13. The recommended levels of grant funding for 2021-2024 take the following into account:
 - a) The amount of grant funding requested.
 - b) The fees charged to the client.
 - c) The number of clients supported in the previous year.
 - d) Income and expenditure for the previous year.
 - e) The scheme's finances.
 - f) Amounts of reserved and unreserved funding.
 - g) Increases to operational costs over the 3-year period
 - h) Plans to promote schemes and build capacity to meet the needs of more clients throughout the term of the grant.

15. The recommended levels of funding per year would be as follows:

2021-2022	£33,800
2022-2023	£53,202
2023-2024	£71,708

16. It is suggested that all schemes should be encouraged to charge at least £6.50 per week minimum for their services, in line with average charge across current schemes. This will help with the ongoing sustainability of the schemes and will be recommended in award letters (and is, therefore, assumed to be a factor within each of the relevant options below).

17. If amounts awarded match the requested amounts, a surplus of £38,056.32 will remain in the budget for mobile warden schemes. (Future part funding for Gamlingay will need to be accounted for in this among). A paper will be brought to a future meeting of GAC with proposals for how this could be used.

Options

18. The Grants Advisory Committee may consider all applications for funding that are set out in Appendix A of this report and recommend to the Lead Cabinet Member for Finance to:

- a) agree to fund the amounts set out in 15 above, (Appendix A column A-C detailing annual uplifts); or
- b) award the amount set out in Year 1 (column A, Appendix A) which remains static over the 3 year period; or
- c) award an alternative amount of funding to each scheme, including zero funding, to a maximum of the funding available within the scheme; or
- d) defer a decision if further information is required.

Implications

19. In the writing of this report, taking into account financial, legal, staffing, risk, equality and diversity, climate change, and any other key issues, the following implications have been considered:-

Financial

20. The Lead Cabinet Member's decision will be made subject to Council's approval of annual budgets. Should the amount of funding available within the 2021-2024 period be amended at any point it may be necessary for the Lead Cabinet Member to reconsider the amount of funding allocated to schemes.

Risks/Opportunities

21. Applicants are required to provide supporting documents including copies of their constitution, financial accounts and quotes where applicable. Applicants must agree to the grant conditions before funds are released.

Consultation responses

23. A small panel of officers met to discuss the applications and agree the levels of funding to recommend to the Lead Cabinet Member. The officers were: Kathryn Hawkes (Programme Manager), Lesley McFarlane (Development Officer – Health Specialist) and Robyn Kerrigan (Project Officer).

Alignment with Council Priority Areas

A modern and caring Council

The Mobile and Community Warden Scheme grants help support South Cambridgeshire communities through providing grants to community and voluntary sector groups to help them carry out projects to benefit local people. The older population is set to rise over the period 2017-2035 by 49% and over the same period the over 90's is predicted to increase by 137% (CCCRG 2019). Isolation and loneliness are more prevalent in people who are aged 65+, living alone and/or have a chronic health condition (Age UK). Academic research is clear that preventing and alleviating loneliness is vital to enabling older people to remain independent for as long as possible (Holt-Lunstad, 2015).

Appendices

Applications summary.

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Appendix A: Mobile Warden Scheme Grant Applications for 2021-2024

					A	B	C	D
Scheme	Max no of people benefitting from the scheme during the last year	No of Organisations and/or individuals benefiting from the scheme in the last year	Equivalent weekly charge		Total requested in Year 1 2021-2022	Total requested in Year 2 2022-2023	Total requested in Year 3 2023-2024	Total Grant 2021-2024
Milton PC	20	20 (plus family members of the clients)	£6/week		£2,500	£2,500	£2,500	£7,500
Mordens & Litlington	20	25	£8/week		£3,100	£3,415	£3,737	£10,252
Melbourn	54 clients, (250-450+ client family members) and 200 members of the community by taking part in events co-organised by the scheme.	54 clients, (240-430+ client family members) and 200 members of the community by taking part in events co-organised by the scheme.	£7.50/week		£3,000	£4,000	£5,000	£12,000
Great Shelford	36	22 full members,	£6.25/week		£3,000	£3,000	£3,000	£9,000

		14 associate members						
Harston	18	20	£6.50/week or £8/week		£1,500	£2,000	£2,000	£5,500
Cottenham	21	26	£5.50/week		£2,000	£2,500	£2,500	£7,000
Age UK Cambs & Peterborough	120	172	£9 for single £11 for couple	Histon	£2,500	£2,927	£3,362	£107,458
				SMV	£4,000	£4,376	£4,804	
				Teversham	£1,200	£1,470	£1,746	
				Swavesey	£500	£872	£1,252	
				Waterbeach	£2,500	£2,844	£3,194	
				Linton	£5,500	£6,044	£6,599	
				Stapleford	£2,500	£2,754	£3,014	
				Sawston	N/A	£4,000	£8,000	
				Papworth	n/a	£2,500	£5,000	
				Willingham & Over	n/a	£2,000	£4,000	
				Fulbourn	n/a	£2,000	£4,000	
				Longstanton	n/a	£2,000	£4,000	
			NW Vill	n/a	£2,000	£4,000		
Total Per annum					£33,800	£53,202	£71,708	£158,710
Budget Allocation pa					£52,255.33	52,255.553	92,255.66	196,766.32