

Minutes of the meeting of the FINANCE COMMITTEE to consider the GRANT APPLICATIONS held in Doggetts Barn on 7 October 2019 at 7.30pm

Present: Cllrs A Baker, A Damodaran, A Layland, N Lloyd (Chairman), and B Todd.

In attendance: Town Clerk, Finance Officer, Cllrs J Aldridge, V Jennings, M McArthur and A Read. No members of the press or public were present.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received, noted and accepted from Cllrs S McGregor and J Scholey. Cllrs Z Roberts Smith, A Smart, P Smith and S Sumner were absent.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No councillors declared Pecuniary interests.

The following councillors declared Personal Non Pecuniary interests for Item 4.2:

A Layland for Edenbridge Voluntary Transport Services (trustee), Edenbridge Churches in Covenant (committee member).

V Jennings for Edenbridge & Westerham CAB (Director of Finance), Hi Kent.

B Todd for Edenbridge Voluntary Transport Services (driver).

A Baker Edenbridge Community First Responders (treasurer). Cllr Baker did not vote for this Grant Application.

Item 5 Cllr A Layland for Eden Valley Museum Trust (trustee), Edenbridge and District Twinning Association (president).

3. TO RECEIVE AND SIGN THE MINUTES OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE GRANTS MEETING HELD ON 15 OCTOBER 2018

Resolved: that the minutes of the Finance Committee meeting to consider the Grant Applications held on 15 October 2018 be signed by the Committee Chairman as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

4. TO CONSIDER THE GRANT APPLICATIONS

4.1 Grants Meeting

Members recalled that, as resolved by Council, all councillors were encouraged to attend the Grants meeting, with only the Finance Committee members having the right to vote.

4.2 Grant Applications

Members considered the Grant Applications received by the Council at length and

Resolved: to allocate the following grants:

Applications	Amount Granted
Edenbridge Churches in Covenant	£300
Edenbridge Christmas Association	£800
Edenbridge Community First Responders	£1,200
Edenbridge & Westerham CAB	£1,585
Edenbridge Players	£150
Edenbridge Voluntary Transport Service	£1,000
Forge Singers	£150
Friends of Holcot	£200

Hi Kent (Local Registered Deaf Charity)	£500
Make a Scene Edenbridge	£250
Nomads Football Club	£500
Stangrove Community	£100
The Eden Christian Trust	£490
West Kent Mediation	<u>£500</u>
	£7,725

5. TO CONSIDER THE SERVICE LEVEL AGREEMENTS FOR 2020/21

Members recalled that the Council has three Service Level Agreements (SLA) in place between Edenbridge Town Council and (1) Eden Valley Museum Trust (EVMT), (2) Edenbridge and District Twinning Association (E&DTA) and West Kent Extra HOUSE. The interim reports on progress and spending had been submitted, along with requests for funding for 2020/21. Members were pleased with the interim reports and having considered the funding requests

Resolved: to renew the E&DTA SLA on 1 April 2020 for a further year and the RFO would include £500 in 2020/21 budget preparation.

to renew the EVMT SLA on 1 April 2020 for a further year and the RFO would include £6,000 in 2020/21 budget preparation.

to renew the West Kent Extra HOUSE on 1 April 2020 for a further year and the RFO would include £7,500 in 2020/21 budget preparation.

6. PRESS RELEASE

Members wished to issue a press release listing the organisations receiving Grants from the Council.

The meeting closed at 9.02pm.