

WENDOVER PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Grants Sub-Committee Meeting

10th February 2021 at 3:00pm

Online Meeting via Zoom

Present: Councillors Bulpett, Worth and Gregory.

Clerk: Amanda Massingham

Members of Public: 0

1. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

G20.01 Councillor Bulpett was elected as the Chairman of Grants Sub Committee.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

G20.02 Councillor Walsh gave his apologies in advance of the meeting and Councillor Gregory kindly agreed to join the Committee.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

G20.03 Councillor Worth declared an interest for the Wendover Memorial Hall grant application as he sits on the Committees Management Board.

4. MINUTES

G20.04 The minutes of the Grants Sub- Committee Meeting held on 10th February 2020 were NOTED, they were signed at the Finance Committee meeting on 2nd July 2020.

5. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

G20.05 None

6. CORRESPONDENCE

To and consider any items of correspondence relevant to this sub-committee.

G20.06 The correspondence from Climate Action Wendover explaining the reasoning of why three separate grant applications have been submitted was NOTED.

7. GRANTS APPLICATIONS

a) To consider an application by Wendover Cricket Club.

G20.07 The application was considered by the Committee. It was noted that the grant request was for cricket coaching training and the requested grant amount was half the cost of the total project. The training would benefit approximately 150 junior members. It was **RESOLVED** to **RECOMMEND** paying £1700 to Wendover Cricket Club at the next Finance Committee meeting.

b) To consider an application by Wendover Dementia Support.

G20.08 The application was considered by the Committee. It was noted that the charity was awarded a grant for set up costs last year totalling £2k. It was noted that the financial breakdown highlighted that most of the costs related to 'running costs' and that the charity now needs to pay rent for using the Christian Centre. It was **RESOLVED** to **RECOMMEND** paying £3000 to Wendover Dementia Support at the next Finance Committee meeting with a condition that the grant should fund the training costs for the volunteers and not the general running costs.

c) To consider an application by Wendover Hall Management Committee.

G20.09 The application was considered by the Committee. The project outlined the installation of a new PA system at the hall. It was **RESOLVED** to **RECOMMEND** paying £4900 to Wendover Memorial Hall at the next Finance Committee meeting.

d) To consider an application by Look for a Book and consider the request to re-deploy the Grant Funds awarded in 2020/21.

G20.10 The application was considered by the Committee as was the request to re-deploy last years grant due to the pandemic. It was **RESOLVED** to **RECOMMEND** paying £1000 to Look for a Book at the next Finance Committee meeting. It was also **RESOLVED** to **RECOMMEND** that the 2020/21 grant could be re-deployed to Wendover Junior School to provide at home learning packs. It was highlighted that our policy would not normally allow, but the Committee are happy to recommend due to the exceptional circumstances brought on by the pandemic. Satisfactory evidence must be provided by the school to show the grant monies has been transferred and used as per the detail outlined in the proposal.

e) To consider three applications by Climate Action Wendover

i) Funding for Tree Planting at Walnut Tree Meadow

G20.11 The application was considered by the Committee. The Deputy Clerk suggested that the grant could be paid from the 2020/21 budget line as funds were still available. It was **RESOLVED** to **RECOMMEND** paying £568.45 to Climate Action Wendover for a tree planting project at Walnut Tree Meadow from the 2020/21 Minor Grants fund.

ii) Funding for overhead costs for 12 months

G20.12 The application was considered by the Committee. The Deputy Clerk suggested that the grant could be paid from the 2020/21 budget line as funds were still available. It was **RESOLVED** to **RECOMMEND** paying £262.60 to Climate Action Wendover for overhead set up costs from the 2020/21 Minor Grants fund.

iii) Funding to develop a Community Forest Garden

G20.13 The application was considered by the Committee. Councillor Bulpett reported that she had spoken to the applicant who had confirmed the funds to support the planting project would not be required until August 2021. Councillor Bulpett reminded the Committee that the use of the land at the former skate park had not been agreed by the Council and that the 2021/22 budget includes an Earmarked Fund provision of £10K for Climate Action Wendover Tree planting. It was **RESOLVED** to **RECOMMEND** not paying the grant as if and when the land issue is resolved, funding could be secured from the dedicated Earmarked Reserve.

8. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

G20.14 The Deputy Clerk confirmed that the next meeting would be scheduled to take place in February 2022.

9. CLOSURE OF MEETING

G20.15 As all business was transacted the meeting was closed at 4.00pm.

Olivia Gallagher

Signed by
Chairman to the Grants Sub-Committee

Date: 7th February 2022