

# 25<sup>th</sup> October 2022

Minutes of the proceedings at the meeting of the **FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE** meeting held on this day in the Jubilee Room, Town Hall, Wokingham from 7.30pm to 9.35pm

## **PRESENT**

**Vice Chair:** D Lee

**Councillors:** M Gee, S Gurney, K Malvern and T Lack

## **IN ATTENDANCE**

Town Clerk: Jan Nowecki

RFO: Nicky Harmsworth

## **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE (Agenda Item 1)**

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr P Cunnington, A Mather and I Shepherd Dubey.

## **MEMBERS' INTERESTS (Agenda Item 2)**

Cllr M Gee declared a prejudicial interest because of her involvement with Wokingham Pride and Wokingham Lions

Cllr D Lee declared a prejudicial interest because of his involvement as Trustee for Wokingham in Need.

## **QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL OR PUBLIC (Agenda Item 3)**

No questions were received.

## **EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC (Agenda Item 4)**

It was proposed by Cllr D Lee and seconded by Cllr M Gee and it was

that in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted i.e. commercial, financial and personnel it was advisable in the public interest that the press and public be temporarily excluded and instructed to withdraw.

**RESOLVED  
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## **APPLICATIONS FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE 2023/24 (Agenda Item 5)**

At the July 2022 Finance & Personnel Committee meeting it had been resolved that the updated grants policy and application form be used the 2023-24 grant funding cycle and that the grants budget for 2023-2024 be set at a maximum of £101,420.

All Cllrs had been sent a spreadsheet listing the grants awarded last year together with this year's application forms and supporting documentation for consideration prior to the meeting.

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It was proposed by Cllr D Lee and seconded by Cllr T Lack and it was  
that the grants should be allocated as follows;

**Service Partners**

These organisations would continue to have the security of this level of funding for a further year

**All Saints Church – Church Yard Maintenance**

A grant of £2,000 be awarded.

**Arc Youth Counselling**

A grant of £3,500 be awarded.

**Citizens Advice Wokingham**

A grant of £10,000 be awarded.

**Holt Copse Conservation Volunteers**

A grant of £575 be awarded.

**St Catherine’s Church – Parish Of Winnersh**

A grant of £600 be awarded.

**St Pauls Church**

A grant of £1,000 be awarded.

**St Sebastian Wokingham Band**

A grant of £3,000 be awarded.

**Wokingham Job Support Centre**

A grant of £5,000 be awarded.

**Event Partner**

These organisations would continue to have the security of this level of funding for two further years.

**The Cultural Partnership: ‘more arts’**

A grant of £4,700 be awarded.

**Wokingham Lions Club**

A grant of £10,500 be awarded

**Wokingham Winter Carnival**

A grant of £10,500 be awarded

Cllrs discussed the Sport Sponsorship match funding with Wokingham Borough Council for Wokingham Town Residents and agreed that this did not fit either of the above categories but would continue to be supported to a maximum of £2,000.

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### **One Year Funding**

Grants were allocated as follows;

#### **Age UK Berkshire**

A grant of £800 be awarded.

#### **All Saints Church (Space for all)**

A grant of £3,000 be awarded.

#### **CLASP**

A grant of £4,000 be awarded.

#### **Emmbrook & Bearwood Cricket Club**

A grant of £2,500 be awarded.

#### **First Days Children's Charity**

A grant of £2,500 be awarded.

#### **Friends of Fox Hill**

A grant of £940 be awarded.

#### **Friends of the Emmbrook**

A grant of £400 be awarded

#### **Home-Start Wokingham District**

A grant of £2,034 be awarded.

#### **The Link Visiting Scheme**

A grant of £800 be awarded.

#### **Me2 Club**

A grant of £2,000 be awarded.

#### **Our Community First**

A grant of £2,000 be awarded.

#### **The Cowshed**

A grant of £3,000 be awarded.

#### **Wokingham Choral Society**

A grant of £1,000 be awarded.

#### **Wokingham Fireworks Charitable Trust**

A grant of £1,000 be awarded

#### **Wokingham Horticultural Association**

A grant of £4,000 be awarded.

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**Wokingham In Need**

A grant of £5,000 be awarded.

**Wokingham Lions**

A grant of £3,000 be awarded.

**Wokingham Pride**

A grant of £200 be awarded.

**The Wokingham Volunteer Centre**

A grant of £1,500 be awarded.

**Woosehill & Emmbrook Speedwatch**

A grant of £1,983 be awarded

Applications for grants amounted to £111,844 and during this evening's meeting a total of £95,872 was awarded.

Letters would be sent to all applicants advising them of the outcome of their applications.

**ACTION RFO**

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