
AGENDA ITEM NO 15

Title: **COMMUNITY FUND GRANT SCHEME**

To: Community & Environment Committee

Date: Thursday 8th May 2014.

From: Julie Cornwell, Partnerships Officer

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1.0 **ISSUE**

- 1.1 To note the grants offered under delegated powers from the Community Fund grant scheme. The Community Fund is a revenue grant scheme which helps to provide vital community-run local services to some of our most disadvantaged residents.
- 1.2 The maximum grant available to projects under this grant scheme is £1,000, therefore all grants are offered under delegated powers.

2.0 **RECOMMENDATION**

- 2.1 Members are requested to note the grant offered under officer-delegated powers:-

Ref No.	Organisation	Project	Total Cost	Score
39	The Field Theatre Group	Littleport Festival Fourteen 1914-2014	£900	65
40	VCAEC	Helping Hands Gardening Project	£800	65

- 2.2 The Field Theatre Group - Littleport Festival Fourteen 1914-2014: In commemoration of the centenary of the outbreak of the First World War the group will be sponsoring an art and poetry competition and compiling the poems into a published anthology, entitled 'Perspectives'.
- 2.3 VCAEC – Helping Hands Gardening Project: To purchase a wood chipper that will enable the gardening team to recycle garden waste on clients gardens, saving time and fuel, freeing up more time to be spent on clients gardens.

3.0 **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

- 3.1 These applications can be funded from the Community Fund grant budget.

3.2 The East Cambridgeshire Community Fund grant scheme remaining budget for 2014-15 financial year is £6,700.

4.0 **APPENDICES**

Appendix 1 – Combined score sheet for Littleport Festival Fourteen 1914-2014.

Appendix 2 – Combined score sheet for Helping Hands Gardening Project.

Background Documents

Location

Contact Officer

Application forms for the above projects.

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GRANTS APPRAISAL FORM
(Community Fund Grant Scheme)

Project ref: 39

PROJECT DESCRIPTION		Littleport Festival Fourteen 1914-2014	
Description of the project	In commemoration of the centenary of the outbreak of the First World War the group would like to sponsor and art and poetry competition and compile the poems into a published anthology, entitled 'Perspectives'. The submissions should reflect on the Great War from the perspective of a hundred years of history. The winning poems will be performed at a gala prize event.		
Who will benefit?	The participants and the wider community that attend the gala and/or buy the book.		
What difference will the project make?	Increased awareness of this important historical event, improved community cohesion.		
LOCATION			
Where is the project located?	Littleport		
APPLICANTS ORGANISATION			
Name -	Field Theatre Group		
Nature -	Community Arts Group		
Project/ service open to the public -	Yes		
Area served -	Littleport and the surrounding area		
PROJECT COSTS			
Total expected costs -	£12,000		
Costs including VAT -	-		
Basis of costing -	-		
FUNDING PACKAGE			
Funds already raised -	£9,500		
Funds to be raised – Grant applications submitted to -	£1,600		
Able to reclaim VAT -	-		
Grant sought from the District Council -	£900		
RELEVANT DISTRICT COUNCIL POLICIES:	-		
PAST GRANT APPLICATIONS:	None		
OTHER COMMENTS/SUPPORTING INFORMATION:	This project supports the work of the Cambs Community Covenant Group, of which ECDC is a Member.		
SCORING SYSTEM (Average from two scores)			
0 – 39 Recommended that no grant be considered	Demand/Need	10	
	Usage	15	
40 - 100 Recommended that a grant be considered	Funding Package	20	
	Benefits and Outcomes	10	
	Sustainability	10	
	Total score	65	
RECOMMENDATION:	Approve by officer delegation		

HOS approval

Name _____ Date: _____

**GRANTS APPRAISAL FORM
(Community Fund Grant Scheme)**

Grant ref No. 40

PROJECT DESCRIPTION		Helping Hands	
Description of the project	To purchase a wood chipper that would enable the gardening team to recycle garden waste on clients gardens.		
Who will benefit?	The Helping Hands clients and VCAEC who are trying to make the Helping Hands project more sustainable.		
What difference will the project make?	The Helping Hands Project currently makes about 75 trips per year to off load garden waste at the local tip. The chipper will enable the project team to recycle a large proportion of garden waste, saving time and fuel, freeing up more time to be spent on clients gardens.		
LOCATION			
Where is the project located?	Based at Ely but works across East Cambridgeshire, targeting the vulnerable and those on low income.		
APPLICANTS ORGANISATION			
Name -	VCAEC		
Nature -	Registered charity		
Project/ service open to the public -	Yes if assessed as being in need.		
Area served -	East Cambs.		
PROJECT COSTS			
Total expected costs -	£1,800		
Costs including VAT -			
Basis of costing -	Prices obtained		
FUNDING PACKAGE			
Funds already raised -	£1,000 Lloyds Bank Community Funding		
Funds to be raised –	-		
Grant applications submitted to -			
Able to reclaim VAT -	Yes		
Grant sought from the District Council -	£800		
RELEVANT DISTRICT COUNCIL POLICIES:		-	
PAST GRANT APPLICATIONS:		1 in 2013-14.	
OTHER COMMENTS/SUPPORTING INFORMATION:		The project would support VCAEC to make the Helping Hands Project more sustainable.	
SCORING SYSTEM			
(Average from two scores)			
0 – 39 Recommended that no grant be considered	Demand/Need		15
	Usage		10
40 - 100 Recommended that a grant be considered	Funding Package		25
	Benefits and Outcomes		10
	Sustainability		5
	Total score		65
RECOMMENDATION:		Approve by officer delegation	

HOS approval

Name _____ Date: _____