Title: COMMUNITY FUND GRANT SCHEME

- To: Commercial Services Committee
- Date: 25th November 2015

From: Nick Ball, Neighbourhood Support 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 grants offered under officer-delegated powers:-

Ref No.	Organisation	Project	Total Cost	Score
49	Little Downham Book Cafe	Community book café materials and provision	£1,000	85
51	Stretham Youth Club		£1,000	60

2.2 Little Downham Book Café

The grant will enable provision of new flooring and play area for children. The book café is an independent library hub that serves the village of Little Downham.

2.3 Stretham Youth Club

Young people will take part in outings into the countryside and use resources from the richest cupboard in the world to engage in new learning and development opportunities including branch weaving, making a mobile from natural materials & outdoor cooking. The programme will lead up to a short camping trip which will provide the chance for young people to look after themselves as part of a team in basic conditions in an unfamiliar place. This will also involve outdoor cooking, story-telling around a fire pit and trust games.

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 the 2015-16 financial year is £3,500.

4.0 <u>APPENDICES</u>

Appendix 1 – Combined appraisal form Grant number 49 Appendix 2 – Combined appraisal form Grant number 51

Background Documents Location	Background Documents	Location	
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Contact Officer

Application forms for the above projects.

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GRANTS APPRAISAL FORM (Community Fund Grant Scheme)

PROJECT DESCRIPTION	Little Downham Book Cafe		
Description of the project	Provision of new flooring and play area for children. The book café is an independent library		
W/he will hereft to	hub that serves the village of Little Downham.		
Who will benefit?	All age range users but particularly children		
What difference will the project make?	Imroved facilities for the users of the book café with projected increase in usage.		
LOCATION			
Where is the project located?	Little Downham		
APPLICANTS ORGANISATION			
Name -	Little Downham Book Cafe		
Nature -	Community interest company – independent library hub		
Project/ service open to the public -	Yes		
Area served -	Little Downham		
PROJECT COSTS			
Total expected costs - Costs including VAT - Basis of costing -	£1,550		
FUNDING PACKAGE			
Funds already raised -	£550		
Funds to be raised –	£1,000		
Grant applications submitted to -	21,000		
Able to reclaim VAT -	Ν		
Grant sought from the District Council -	£1,000		
RELEVANT DISTRICT COUNCIL POLICIES:			
PAST GRANT APPLICATIONS:	N		
OTHER COMMENTS/SUPPORTING INFORMATION:	Full supporting documentation including audited accounts, child protection policy, safeguarding policy.		
SCORING SYSTEM (Average from two scores)			
0 - 39 Recommended that no grant be considered	Demand/Need	15	
	Usage	20	
40 - 100 Recommended that a grant be considered	Funding Package	25	
	Benefits and Outcomes	15	
	Sustainability	10	
	Total score	85	
<u>RECOMMENDATION</u> : Approve for grant √			

GRANTS APPRAISAL FORM (Community Fund Grant Scheme)

PROJECT DESCRIPTION	Outdoor Adventures with Strethar	m youth club	
Description of the project	Young people will take part in outings into the countryside and		
	use resources from the richest cupboard in the world to engage in		
	new learning and development opportunities including branch weaving, making a mobile from natural materials & outdoor		
	cooking. The programme will lead up to a short camping trip		
	which will provide the chance for young people to look after		
	themselves as part of a team in basic	lso involve outdoor	
	conditions in an unfamiliar place. This will also involve outdoor cooking, story-telling around a fire pit and trust		
	games		
Who will benefit?	7+ age range from Stretham		
What difference will the project make?	Benefits to disadvantaged in particular		
LOCATION			
Where is the project located?	Stretham		
APPLICANTS ORGANISATION			
Name -	Stretham Youth Club		
Nature -	Registered charity		
Project/ service open to the public -	Yes		
Area served -	Stretham		
PROJECT COSTS			
Total expected costs -			
Costs including VAT -	£2,200		
Basis of costing -			
FUNDING PACKAGE			
Funds already raised -	£1,200		
Funds to be raised –	£1,000		
Grant applications submitted to -	,		
Able to reclaim VAT -	N		
Grant sought from the District Council -	£1,0000		
RELEVANT DISTRICT COUNCIL POLICIES:			
PAST GRANT APPLICATIONS:	Yes		
OTHER COMMENTS/SUPPORTING			
INFORMATION:			
<u>SCORING SYSTEM</u> (Average from two scores)			
0 - 39 Recommended that no grant be	Demand/Need	10	
considered		10	
	Usage	10	
40 - 100 Recommended that a grant be	Funding Package	20	
considered			
	Benefits and Outcomes	10	
	Sustainability	10	
	Total score	60	
RECOMMENDATION: Approve for			
grant			
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