
COMMUNITY LEISURE CHEST

Responsible Director(s) - Councillor Lee Vasey, Leisure Services Portfolio

Responsible Director(s) - Cliff Brown, Director of Community Services

Purpose of Report

1. To consider a request for grant aid from the Community Leisure Chest.

Summary

2. The Community Leisure Chest budget has an annual budget of £4,500, with an outstanding balance of £3,170.

Information and Analysis

3. The following applications have been received:

(a) Samaritans Of Darlington

The Samaritans is a 24 hours a day, seven days a week service which provides emotional support for people who are distressed and in despair. The local group are holding a fund raising event at the Arts Centre East Hall in February 2005 and are seeking assistance with the hire costs of the venue.

Community Leisure Chest Grant 2003-2004	Nil
Request for Grant Aid 2004-2005	£78

(b) St Teresa's Hospice (Darlington)

St Teresa's Hospice is a non profit making charity and its facilities are available free to all terminally ill patients, regardless of the nature of their disease. The hospice provides help and support to both patients and their carers. They have recently held a fund raising concert at The Dolphin Centre and are seeking assistance to offset the hire charges incurred.

Community Leisure Chest Grant 2003-2004	£200
Request for Grant Aid 2004-2005	£100

Outcome of Consultation

4. No consultation has taken place.

Decision Deadline

5. For the purpose of the 'call-in' procedure this does not represent an urgent matter.

Legal Implications

6. This report has been considered by the Borough Solicitor for legal implications in accordance with the Council's approved procedures. There are no issues which the Borough Solicitor considers need to be brought to the specific attention of Members, other than those highlighted in the report.

Section 17 of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998

7. The contents of this report have been considered in the context of the requirements placed on the Council by Section 17 of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998, namely, the duty on the Council to exercise its functions with due regard to the likely effect of the exercise of those functions on, and the need to do all that it reasonably can to prevent, crime and disorder in its area. It is not considered that the contents of this report have any such effect.

Council Policy Framework

8. The issues contained within this report do not represent change to Council policy or the Council's policy framework.

Decision Deadline

9. For the purpose of the 'call-in' procedure this does not represent an urgent matter.

Recommendation

10. It is recommended that Members consider the applications for grant aid.

Reasons

11. To enable officers to inform the organisation of their success or failure following their application for Community Leisure Chest Grant Aid.

Cliff Brown
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Background Papers

- (i) Community Leisure Chest Application Forms.

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