

Report of the Director to the meeting of the Bradford West Area Committee to be held on 23 November 2016

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Subject:

Community Chest 2016/2017

Summary statement:

This report details the Community Chest Grants awarded from applications received from **1st April 2016 – 30th September 2016** for the benefit of communities within Bradford West.

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1. SUMMARY

- 1.1 This report details the Community Chest Grants awarded from applications received from **1st April 2016 – 30th September 2016** for the benefit of communities within Bradford West.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 The Community Chest budget is intended to assist community, leisure and cultural activities which are of benefit to the community, and where the activity could not go ahead without some financial assistance.
- 2.2 Applications which meet the published criteria are considered from groups, organisations and individuals contributing across a broad spectrum of initiatives, to the well being and development of communities within Bradford West.
- 2.3 The Senior Administrative Officer, within the Bradford West Area Co-ordinator's Office, assesses the applications and prepares an Officer recommendation in consultation with the Area Co-Ordinator.
- 2.4 The Area Co-ordinator, under delegated powers, is responsible for making decisions on the applications. These decisions are made following guidelines received from the Grants Advisory Group. The Grants Advisory Group is made up of the Chair, Vice Chair and two members of the Labour Group who all serve on the Area Committee.
- 2.5 It is also possible, when decisions need to be taken outside the formal process that the Area Co-ordinator can decide on an application, having consulted individually with the Chair of the Grants Advisory Group and the Area Co-ordinator.
- 2.6 The Community Chest budget available for Bradford West Area in the current financial year is £11,500.
- 2.7 During the first and second round of Community Chest, 24 applications requested a total of £4,045.00.
- 2.8 The summary of Community Chest Grants awarded during the first and second quarter round is attached as **Appendix A**.

3. OTHER CONSIDERATIONS

- 3.1 The maximum amount available to community/voluntary groups from the Community Chest Grant is £350.
- 3.2 With regards to the Community Chest grant allocation for 2016/2017, it is important to highlight both the take-up and very high demand on the fund.
- 3.3 Because of the very high demand on the limited Community Chest budget, it has been a practice of the Bradford West Grants Advisory Group to make a contribution towards the total cost of the activity and to very rarely approve the full amount requested.
- 3.4 Community groups, voluntary organisations and individuals applying for grants are given support from the Bradford West Area Co-Ordinator's Office and encouraged to raise funds from other sources.

4. OPTIONS

4.1 That the members note the report.

4.2 There is only one option as the purpose of the report is to inform members about the allocation of Community Chest Grants that were allocated in partnership with the Area Committee for the benefit of communities within Bradford West.

5. FINANCIAL & RESOURCE APPRAISAL

5.1 The total number of applications funded in this period was 15 towards activities and projects for the communities in Bradford West (**Appendix A**).

5.2 The balance available to use in the third and fourth quarters is £7,455.00.

6. RISK MANAGEMENT AND GOVERNANCE ISSUES

There are no significant risks arising from the proposed recommendations in this report.

7. LEGAL APPRAISAL

7.1 There is no legal requirement for the Council to provide small grants for the benefit of local communities.

8. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

The information within this report contributes to the priorities within the Bradford West Ward Plans, specifically the priorities relating to Strong & Cohesive Communities, Health & Wellbeing and Environment Improvements.

8.1 EQUALITY & DIVERSITY

In awarding Community Chest Grants, special consideration is given to particular disadvantaged groups including the elderly, people with disabilities, youth, ethnic minorities and people who are unemployed.

8.2 SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS

Groups are encouraged to engage in additional fundraising activities and are made more aware of opportunities for future development and sustainability.

8.3 GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS IMPACTS

Greenhouse gas emissions and wider environmental impacts will be a consideration in assessing applications.

8.4 COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS

A number of projects supported are either directly or indirectly concerned with improving community safety within local communities.

8.5 HUMAN RIGHTS ACT

There are no direct Human Rights implications arising from the recommendations below.

8.6 TRADE UNION

There are no implications for Trade Unions.

8.7 WARD IMPLICATIONS

Community Chest grants are awarded to projects / activities that support communities within the City, Clayton & Fairweather Green, Heaton, Manningham, Thornton & Allerton and Toller Wards.

8.8 AREA COMMITTEE WARD PLAN IMPLICATIONS (for reports to Area Committees only)

Community Chest grants are awarded to projects and activities that address priorities in the Bradford West Area Committee Ward Plans 2016-2017.

9. NOT FOR PUBLICATION DOCUMENTS

9.1 None.

10. RECOMMENDATIONS

10.1 That the wide range of applications from groups, organisations and individuals across Bradford West are noted and welcomed.

10.2 That the Bradford West Area Co-ordinator's Office continue to ensure the effective allocation of the Community Chest Budget by providing appropriate advice and support to applicants.

11. APPENDICES

11.1 Appendix A: Summary of Community Chest Grants Awarded in quarter 1 and 2 of 2016/17.

Community Chest Grant
April - June 2016
Quarter 1

<u>Ward</u>	<u>Organisation</u>	<u>Details</u>	<u>Amount</u>
City	Friends of Horton Park	to fund insurance and outdoor marques for the family fun day and fundraiser on 13 August 2016	£250.00
Manningham	Inspired Neighbourhoods CIC	a day trip to Blackpool for 30 women from the South Asian community residing in Hollings Road	£350.00
Manningham	Bradford Synagogue	decorating - Strauss room; wall behind Ark; outside doors	£350.00
Thornton & Allerton	Allerton Cricket Club	roof repair for Allerton Cricket Club	£350.00
City	West Bowling Cricket Club	presentation evening to recruit junior players	£250.00
Heaton	Cnet (Frizighall Partnership)	entertainment for younger children at the community picnic in Shipley Fields Park on 17 July 2016	£250.00
Total Round 1 Allocation			£1,800.00
Budget			£11,500.00
Remaining Balance			£9,700.00

Community Chest Grant
July - September 2016
Quarter 2

<u>Ward</u>	<u>Organisation</u>	<u>Details</u>	<u>Amount</u>
District Wide	Trans Mission	4 week course teaching trans and gender variant people from 16-60 cookery skills enabling them to make a range of simple meals	£100.00
Clayton & FWG	Clayton Community Association	a complete new safety flooring in the ground floor main room	£350.00
Heaton	CNET	BBQ picnic/visit to Burnsall (Yorkshire Dales) for a group of Frizinghall women and children	£250.00
City	The Joshua Project Trust	2 recreational trips and 2 trips to the speedball centre for children and young people the project works with to enable them to have a holiday	£310.00
Heaton	CNET - Frizinghall Activity Group	Dales walk and picnic	£120.00
City	Exceed	evening event for local ladies to socialise and communicate comfortably on 9 September 2016	£350.00
Manningham	Hollings Youth Association	Day out to Thorpe Park (Theme Park) for youths who volunteered in community cohesion/clean up on Drummond Road on 20 August 2016	£350.00
City	Artworks Creative Communities	design and construction of "Bussing Out" project bus display stand and transport between venues	£350.00
Manningham	Women and Girls Community Association	skip hire and refreshments for a community summer clean up around North Avenue	£65.00
Total Round 2 Allocation			£2,245.00
Balance B/F			£9,700.00
Remaining Balance			£7,455.00

Community Chest Grant
Allocation per Ward

<u>Ward</u>	<u>No. Of Applications</u>	<u>Successful</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Manningham/Toller/Thornton & Allerton	1	0	-
District-Wide	1	1	£100.00
City	7	5	£1,510.00
Manningham	5	3	£1,115.00
Clayton & Fairweather Green	1	1	£350.00
Heaton	4	3	£620.00
Thornton & Allerton	1	1	£350.00
Toller	1	0	-