

Report of the Director of Place to the meeting of the Regulatory and Appeals Committee to be held on 9th March 2017.

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Subject: Report recommending the agreement of the Regulatory and Appeals Committee for the distribution of the capital interest from the Royd House Trust at Wilsden. Following the establishment of the Evaluation Group and the advertising of available funds and in line with the decision taken at Regulatory and Appeals Committee held on Thursday 13th November 2014.

Summary statement: Following the meeting of the Regulatory and Appeals Committee on the 13th November 2014 it was agreed to set up an Evaluation Group to consider applications for grants paid from the interest received on the capitol sum in the Royd House Trust.

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Overview & Scrutiny Area:
Regulatory and Appeals



1. SUMMARY

Report recommending the agreement of the Regulatory and Appeals Committee for the Distribution of the capital interest from the Royd House Trust at Wilsden. Following the Establishment of the Evaluation Group and the advertising of available funds and in line With the decision taken at Regulatory and Appeals Committee held on Thursday 13th November 2014.

2. BACKGROUND

The Regulatory and Appeals committee at the meeting of the 13th November 2014 agreed that:

That an Evaluation Group be established with the following membership; Three Ward Councillors and a Parish Councillor, in consultation with Council Officers in an administrative capacity, to consider further applications and to Make recommendations to the Regulatory and Appeals Committee

The Evaluation Group has been formed. Have met and agreed the protocol for applications for funds from the trust. Subsequently the fund has been advertised in line with that protocol.

The group have received two applications for funding. One application from Wilsden Village Hall and one from Wilsden Scout Group. The group have evaluated and agreed to the applications and concur that they are presented to the Regulatory and Appeals Committee for ratification. Copies of the application forms are attached

3. OTHER CONSIDERATION

4. FINANCIAL & RESOURCE APPRAISAL

The funds available for distribution through the Evaluation Group are £ 10,000. The applications received come to a total of £ 3,826.45. This leaves money left in the trust for future applications.

In line with the Council's legal and financial services the charity has retained a further sum of £10,000 in the trust.

5. RISK MANAGEMENT AND GOVERNANCE ISSUES

6. LEGAL APPRAISAL

6.1 As indicated above, the Committee acting as Trustee will need to be satisfied that the applications to the trust are being awarded are in the best interest of the trust and offer Value for money.

6.2 In addition the Committee must consider the proposal in terms of what is in the best interests of the charity. Charity Commission Guidance advises that this means;

"Acting in the charity's best interest's means always doing what the trustees decide will best enable the charity to carry out its purposes, both now and for the future."

6.3 The purposes of the Trust are;

" shall apply the income of the Charity for improvements (other than maintenance) of the property belonging to the Charity as the trustees consider appropriate to meet the objectives of the Charity and thereafter for the charitable purposes for the benefit of the inhabitants of Wilsden.

7. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

7.1 EQUALITY & DIVERSITY

Not applicable

7.2 SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS

Not applicable

7.3 GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS IMPACTS

Not applicable

7.4 COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS

Not applicable

7.5 HUMAN RIGHTS ACT

Not applicable

7.6 TRADE UNION

Not applicable

7.7 WARD IMPLICATIONS

Not applicable

7.8 AREA COMMITTEE ACTION PLAN IMPLICATIONS
(For reports to Area Committees only)
Not applicable

8. NOT FOR PUBLICATION DOCUMENTS
Not applicable

9. OPTIONS

To agree to the applications and distribute the funds accordingly.

To refuse the applications and re advertise the funds to other applicants.

10. RECOMMENDATIONS

To agree to the applications and distribute the funds accordingly.

11. APPENDICES

Appendix A: Copy of the application forms submitted.

12. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

Report and Decision Sheet of the Reg and Appeals held 13th November 2014.