

Report of the Area Co-ordinator to the meeting of Shipley Area Committee to be held on 2nd August 2023

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Subject:

Grant allocations 2023/2024 and constitution of Grants Advisory Group

Summary statement:

This report provides background information and recommendations with regard to grant allocations and the constitution of the Grants Advisory Group 2023/2024.

EQUALITY & DIVERSITY:

Equality assessments – the grant schemes described in this report are open to, and actively promoted to, groups, organisations and individuals working in and with all the communities in the Shipley Area.

Equality objectives – the work undertaken by those in receipt of the grants described in this report contributes to Objective 3 of the Council's equality objectives by helping them to actively engage with their communities and enabling more people to take part in the life of the District.

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Overview & Scrutiny Area:

Corporate

1. SUMMARY

- 1.1 This report provides background information and recommendations with regard to grant allocations and the constitution of the Grants Advisory Group 2023/2024.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 The Grants Advisory Group provides guidance to the Shipley Area Co-ordinators for the effective allocation of Community Chest and other grants.

Prior to the local elections the representation was

- Three representatives from the majority group on the Area Committee,
- One representative each from the Labour and the Green parties.

- 2.2 The Area Co-ordinator, under delegated powers, is responsible for making decisions on the received applications following guidance received from the Grants Advisory Group (GAG).

3. OTHER CONSIDERATIONS

- 3.1 There are no other considerations.

4. FINANCIAL & RESOURCE APPRAISAL

- 4.1 The Grants Advisory Group and the allocation of various grants are co-ordinated by existing staff of the Shipley Area Co-ordinators Office.

5. RISK MANAGEMENT AND GOVERNANCE ISSUES

- 5.1 No significant risks.

6. LEGAL APPRAISAL

- 6.1 There are no legal implications for Bradford Council arising from this report.

7. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

7.1 SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS

- 7.1.1 Co-operation between agencies and the community is likely to lead to more strategic, long term and sustainable solutions to local issues.

7.2 GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS IMPACTS

- 7.2.1 There are no specific Greenhouse Gas Emission impact arising from this report.

7.3 COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS

- 7.3.1 Projects are assessed on their ability to operate within appropriate guidelines. Many of the projects supported are either directly or indirectly concerned with the enhancement of life in local communities, providing safe environments for activities to take place or helping to tackle crime and the fear of crime.

7.4 HUMAN RIGHTS ACT

7.4.1 There are no specific Human Rights Act implications arising from this report.

7.5 TRADE UNION

7.5.1 There are no Trade Union implications arising from this report.

7.6 WARD IMPLICATIONS

7.6.1 Grants have been given to community groups from all 6 wards in the Constituency.

7.7 AREA COMMITTEE LOCALITY PLAN IMPLICATIONS

7.7.1 The decisions made at the Grant Advisory Group support the priorities in the Shipley area and ward locality plan 2022-2025.

7.8 IMPLICATIONS FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

7.8.1 Many grants have been allocated to help and support children and young people.

7.9 ISSUES ARISING FROM PRIVACY IMPACT ASSESMENT

7.9.1 None

8. NOT FOR PUBLICATION DOCUMENTS

8.1 None.

9. OPTIONS

9.1 This report is presented to invite the Area Committee to determine membership of the Grants Advisory Group.

10. RECOMMENDATIONS

10.1 That it be approved that the Shipley Area Co-ordinators, under delegated powers, has the responsibility for making decisions on all grant applications administered by the Shipley Area Co-ordinators office, after seeking guidance from the Grants Advisory Group.

10.2 That in the current municipal year and in accordance with an established precedent, the Area Committee approves the nomination of two Councillors from the Conservative Group, two Councillors from the Labour Group one Councillor from the Green Group

10.3 That the Shipley Area Co-ordinators Office be requested to continue to ensure the effective allocation of all the grant funding by providing appropriate support and advice to applicants.

11. APPENDICES

11.1 None.

12. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

12.1 None.