

## Minutes of the Grants Committee held on Wednesday 18 January 2023, in the Council Chamber, Aylesbury Town Hall, 5 Church Street, Aylesbury, HP20 2QP at 7pm

## Present

In the Chair: Cllr Susan Morgan

Councillors

M. Baldwin S. Bateman S. Chapple N. Mehta A. Morgan

Officers: Jane Eden (Committee Clerk)

Cllr S Morgan, called the meeting to order at 7:00pm

## 1. Apologies of Absence

Cllr T Hussain (prior commitment),

**Resolved:** To unanimously agree that the above apologies be received and accepted.

## 2. Declaration of interest & Requests for Dispensation

Cllr Chapple declared an interest in the application from Bedgrove Dynamo Football Club as family member is a team coach. No requests for dispensations were made.

### 3. Minutes

**RESOLVED:** The committee unanimously agreed to accept and sign the minutes of 19 October 2022 as a true record.

## 4. Matters arising on the Minutes

To receive a report from the Clerk on matter arising from the previous minutes or on additional matters not on the agenda, if applicable. No matters arising from the minutes of 19/10/22.

## 5. Public Participation

To suspend Standing Orders in accordance with the provisions of Standing Order 64 so those members of the public present at the meeting might speak.

RESOLVED: The Chairman suspended Standing Orders to allow grant applicants to speak in respect of their respective applications.

Representatives were free to speak to the committee on their particular application drawing attention to any specific matters and any questions from committee members would be supplementary questions in relation to the application form.

Representatives from each organisation was called to speak should they wish to do so. Questions asked by committee members were answered accordingly.

Representatives were thanked for attending and given the chance to either stay or leave the meeting. All representatives/members of the public left the meeting at this stage.

RESOLVED: The Chairman reinstated Standing Orders.

## 6. General Grants 2022/23

To consider the following applications received and consider any other applications submitted by the Clerk as appropriate:

#### 07-22/23 Elmhurst Football Club £2,000

**RESOLVED:** The committee unanimously agreed to support Elmhurst Football Club awarding £2,000 towards booking pitches and training equipment to ensure the football club can continue to support those players that cannot afford to pay to join a football club.

#### 08-22/23 Oakfield Ladies Club

**RESOLVED:** The committee voted to support Oakfield Ladies Club by awarding a grant of £500 for funding towards an afternoon tea trip for the group to celebrate the coronation of King Charles III.

£500

*Cllr Chapple took no part in the following discussion and decision relating to the grant application from Aylesbury Vale Dynamos Football Club.* 

#### 09-22/23 Aylesbury Vale Dynamos Football Club £5000

**RESOLVED:** The committee unanimously agreed to support Aylesbury Vale Dynamos Football Club awarding £5,000 towards the cost of emergency pitch rental due to the flooding of their home pitches.

Cllr S Bateman and Cllr S Morgan stated their frustration regarding the current lack and state of football pitches in Aylesbury. The cost of hiring pitches and the lack of facilities within the Town is having a huge detrimental impact on clubs and residents alike. The chair stated the Aylesbury Town Council are asking Buckinghamshire Council to give the control of the assets back to Aylesbury Town Council.

## 7. Social & Emotional Wellbeing Grants 2022/23

To consider the following applications received and consider any other applications submitted by the Clerk as appropriate:

#### 04-22/23 Florence Nightingale Hospice £5,000

**RESOLVED:** The committee unanimously agreed to award Florence Nightingale Hospice £5,000 towards FNH@Home team staff costs and services.

### 8. Budget Monitoring

RESOLVED: The Clerk reported that the 2022/23 grant budget position to January (Month 10) was £11,373. Allocated as £3,000 Sports grants, £6,373 General Grants and £2,000 Social & Emotion Wellbeing Grants.

### 9. Correspondence

No correspondence received.

#### 10. Date of the next meeting

The next planned meeting is Wednesday 29 March 2023

# There being no further business of the Committee, the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.25 p.m.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_