## **Minutes of Community Services Committee**

Meeting Date: Tuesday, 10 March 2015, starting at 6.30pm

Present: Councillor R J Thompson (Chairman)

Councillors:

R Bennett
S Brunskill
S Carefoot
A M Knox
G Mirfin
R Newmark

L Rimmer
M Robinson
I Sayers
G Scott
R Swarbrick
J White

In attendance: Director of Community Services, Head of Engineering Services, Head of Cultural and Leisure Services.

### 617 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence from the meeting were submitted on behalf of Councillor J E Alcock. Councillor J Hill was absent from the meeting.

### 618 MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 13 January 2015 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

The Head of Cultural and Leisure Services made reference to Minute 487 and informed Committee that the music and food event in the castle grounds would not go ahead in 2015 and that the organiser had asked for permission to stage the event in 2016 around the same time of year.

## 619 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest at the meeting.

### 620 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was no public participation.

# 621 RECREATIONAL, CULTURAL SPORTING EXCELLENCE AND ART EXCELLENCE GRANTS

The Director of Community Services submitted a report presenting the recommendations of the working group in relation to the allocation of grants under recreation/culture, individual sporting excellence and individual arts excellence. The purpose of these grants is to provide voluntary organisations with support for events/projects that enhance recreation and cultural provision, as well as seeking to assist talented sports men and women in their chosen sport and performing arts in helping towards the expenses that are associated with competition training and equipment.

He informed Committee that two late applications had been received under the sporting excellence category and requested Committee's consideration of these.

RESOLVED: That Committee endorse the recommendations of the working group for the recreation/culture and sports and arts excellence grants as outline in the Appendices including the two late application.

#### 622 LEASES FOR SABDEN PARISH COUNCIL

The Director of Community Services submitted a report updating Members on the negotiations to renew two Leases. These currently provide for the bowling and football clubs in Sabden and offer the opportunity for members of the community to participate in their chosen activity. The land itself which Ribble Valley Borough Council owns is leased to Sabden Parish Council which in turn leases the land to the clubs for them to use. Sabden Bowling Club is a wellestablished club which has a loyal following in the village. The current Lease has been in place for 25 years and was set at £50 per annum at the outset in 1990 and has not changed since. The club has a 25 year Lease from the Parish Council and the leased area is approximately 1 acre.

Sabden Football Club is also well established in the village and operates one senior team and is currently trying to establish a ladies team. The Lease is for a period of 6 years and is currently £636.95 per annum and has been increased annually by inflation over the life of the Leases held. The leased area is approximately 2 acres.

It was proposed that lease sum for the football club remain as it is with the annual application of inflation to the figure which would make the new Lease commence at £644 per annum.

It was felt that on the basis that the area leased to the bowling club is half that of the football club it would be reasonable expect a lease figure of half the football sum that would make the new Lease figure £324 per annum. However, given the low current Lease sum, it was proposed that the higher figure, adjusted for inflation, be achieved by the end of year 5 when the Lease would be reviewed, rather than charge the higher sum immediately and that a lower sum be agreed for the forthcoming year. It was proposed that the sum be £100 for the first year increasing over the life of the new Lease up to the required figure.

### **RESOLVED: That Committee**

- 1. agree delegation to the Director of Community Services to complete the negotiation of the Leases and assign them both;
- 2. agree a starting annual sum of £100 for the bowling club Lease from which it will rise over the course of 5 years, to be half the sum of the football club at that time.

#### 623 DOG RUN AREAS

The Director of Community Services submitted a report providing information for Members to consider as requested in relation to the provision of a larger dog run

area at Mardale. Further investigations had taken place and some costings done. The concern remained however that if dogs foul on the open space away from the owner especially on the football pitches, the dog mess would not be picked up; not least because a dog would be some distance away from the owner and therefore identifying the actual location would be difficult. The cost of putting a fence up would be a one-off capital sum but there would be ongoing maintenance costs associated with this. It was felt that due to the current pressure on the Council's limited resources this request could not be delivered at the present time but that it would be tested again against other bids for priority in the Council's capital programme in the future.

RESOLVED: That Committee agree not to proceed with regard to the petition received for an additional dog area at Mardale at the present time, but that opportunities be explored for the future.

#### 624 CLITHEROE CASTLE MUSIC EVENT

The Director of Community Services submitted a report for Committee's information with further details relating to an event approved at the meeting in September 2014 to be staged in the castle grounds. The report outlined various mitigation measures proposed by the promoter should this event go ahead.

RESOLVED: That the report be noted.

#### 625 CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2015/16

The Director of Resources submitted a report for Committee's information of the schemes that had been approved for inclusion in the capital programme for this Committee for the 2015/16 financial year. Twelve schemes had been approved totalling £483,600 and a detailed information sheet was included for each scheme.

RESOLVED: That the report be noted.

#### GENERAL REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY SERVICES 626

The Director of Community Services submitted a report updating Committee on the Clitheroe Food Festival 2015 and leisure facilities and sports development, as well as arts development funding.

RESOLVED: That the report be noted.

#### 627 REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES

There were no reports from representatives on outside bodies, however Councillor White requested a box of tourism brochures so that he could distribute them to the neighbouring barracks.

The meeting closed at 7pm.

If you have any queries on these minutes please contact John Heap (414461).

# **APPENDIX 1**

# **RECREATION / CULTURAL GRANT PROPOSALS 2015/16**

ORGANISATION	PROJECT	COST	GRANT REQUEST	PREVIOUS GRANTS	PROPOSAL
Ribble Valley Jazz & Blues	Annual Festival held on May Bank Holiday weekend. Improve on-line marketing and promotions, with particular emphasis on website performance, and enhanced social networking via Facebook and Twitter. Promotion of events in local villages.	£7,250	£3,000	2011 - £500 2012 - £600 2013 - £1000 2014 - £1000	£1000
Clitheroe Concerts Society	Promotion of annual concert programme	£9,800	Any amount gratefully accepted	2011 - £300 2012 - £300 2013 - £350 2014 - £350	£300
Ribchester Festival of Music and Art	International Festival in 22 <sup>nd</sup> year held in June. A showcase of musical talent.	£16,700	£2,000	2010 - £2,300 2011 - £4,000 2012 - £2,300 2013 - £2,500 2014 - £2,000	£1000

ORGANISATION	PROJECT	COST	GRANT REQUEST	PREVIOUS GRANTS	PROPOSAL
Clitheroe Town Council	Programme of summer band concerts	£6,000	£3,000	Various amounts since 1998 (£250 - £700)  2009/10 - £1000 2010/11 - £1000 2011/12 - £1000 2012/13 - £500 2013/14 - £1100 2014/15 - £1000	£1000
Ribble Valley Choir	Choral event in December 2015	£460	£250	2010,11 & 12 - £200 2013 - £250	£200
East Lancs Ornithologists club	Cost of having website hosted on a special server	£354	£354		£354
Grindleton Recreation Ground Charity	Enhance the tennis court facility by buying rackets and balls for people to use	£200	£200		£150
Grindleton Recreation Ground Charity	Purchase of a Butterfly Indoor Compact table tennis table	£250	£125		£125
Grindleton Recreation Ground Charity	Replacement of safety surfaces on children's' play area	£13,000	£5,000		£2500

ORGANISATION	PROJECT	COST	GRANT REQUEST	PREVIOUS GRANTS	PROPOSAL
Clitheroe Wolves Junior Football Club	Purchase of goalposts (5 teams) and footballs in order to target girls and disabled	£5,000	£5,000		£2500
Longridge Golf Club	Continuation of Junior Coaching programme	£5,440	£2,000	2013 - £935 (for youth element) 2014 - £400	£400
Whalley Cricket Club	Replacement of kitchen appliances, cupboards, work surfaces, flooring and electrical sockets and lighting	£3,210	£1,605		£1000
Clitheroe Cricket Club	Renovation of clubhouse – specifically purchase of furniture, windows and flooring	£5,720 £3,946 £1645	A minimum of £500		£500
Salesbury Cricket Club	Replace 2 artificial pitches and nets	£14,400	£7,200		£500
Ribble Valley Raiders Cricket Club	Delivery of free weekly outdoor cricket coaching sessions at Roefield – purchase of equipment – hoops, cones, bats, hurdles, duffle bags, balls, cricket net	£670	£320		£320
Ribble Valley Triathlon Club	Launch of new junior section – provision of loan equipment and fitness equipment (16 bikes + sports equipment; marketing costs, coaching costs and facilities hire)	£8,625	£2,130		£2130

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Ribchester Playing Field Trust working with Ribchester Rovers FC	Replacement of pavilion by one that satisfies Sport England and Football Association standards	£150,000	£10,000		£8000
Thornley Community Space	To refurbish and covert a former school to a mixed use community hub.	£81,000	£7,000	2014 - £3,000	£3500 contingent upon getting BIFFA grant
				TOTAL	£25,479

## **APPENDIX 2**

# **SPORTING EXCELLENCE AWARDS 2015**

NAME	AGE	SPORT	STANDARD	SCORE	GRANT
Oliver Murray	16	Pentathlon	National	28	£200
William Murray	18	Swimming	National	23	£200
Emma Fox		Swimming	National	17	£150
Joshua Leathard		Athletics	County	17	£150
Charlotte Williams		Athletics	County U15's	16	£150
Saphina Stamford		Netball	Regional	16	£150
Harry Lang		Cricket	County U15's	15	£100
Charlie Dewhurst		Cricket	County U15's	14	£100
Alice Fox		Swimming	County & Regional	13	£100
Joshua Stamford		Cricket	County U13's	12	£100
Omar Hussian	16	Cricket	County U16's	10	£100
Charlie Atkinson		Cricket	County U10's	7	£50
Natalie Kaye		Cricket	County U10's	6	£50
Helen Wharton		Cricket	County U10's	5	£50
				TOTAL	£1650

## **APPENDIX 3**

# **ARTS EXCELLENCE GRANTS 2014/15**

NAME	AGE	STANDARD	GRANT
Emily Billington	17	No specific standard – qualification is sought not excellence	£200
Elizabeth Burgess	16	Halle Youth Choir and Junior section of Northern College of Music	£200
Emily Warren	14	U14's All England Champion Dance	£150
Oliver Kirk	16	U16's World Championship Runner Up Dance	£150
		TOTAL	£700