

RIBBLE VALLEY BOROUGH COUNCIL REPORT TO COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE

Agenda Item No.

meeting date: 14th MARCH 2017
title: RECREATION/CULTURE, SPORTS AND ARTS GRANTS
submitted by: DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY SERVICES
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1 PURPOSE

1.1 To present the recommendations of the working group in relation to the allocation of grants under Recreation/Culture, Individual Sporting Excellence, Individual Arts Excellence and Arts Development Grants.

1.2 Relevance to the Council's ambitions and priorities

- Community Objectives – To be well-managed Council providing efficient and responsive services based on identified customer need.
- Corporate Priorities - To make people's lives safer and healthier and more specifically to increase peoples' opportunities to access cultural activities and improve outcomes for children and young people.
- Other Considerations – None

2 BACKGROUND

2.1 The purpose of Recreation and Culture Grants is to provide organisations with support for projects which enhance recreational and cultural provision.

2.2 The Council's Sporting Excellence grants seek to assist talented young sports people in their chosen sport, helping towards the expenses associated with competition, training and equipment.

2.3 Arts Excellence grants are the same Sporting Excellence and are awarded to people in the performing arts.

2.4 Arts Development grants are aimed at helping arts organisations with activities which have a specific arts focus. These grants have for the first time been brought under the same awarding criteria as all the other grants above.

3 ISSUES

3.1 The number of grants awarded across all categories is healthy, with the level of achievement of the young people who applied for sport grants being especially high.

3.2 It is encouraging to see the range of grants for different projects in the cultural and arts sector. Though it was a concern at the panel to see a number of applicants seeking to replace LCC funding with grant aid from the Borough, which is not what the RVBC grants scheme was set up to do.

3.3 Although the scale of grants is relatively low in monetary value, compared to say the lottery. They are none the less very well received by the individuals and organisations in receipt of them.

3.4 The ease of application and relatively speed with which organisations receive an answer often helps where the Council funding is a part of a larger basket of funding being put together. This pump prime effect and the added boost they provide cannot be underestimated. They often provide the additionality required by organisations which help them to get funds from national schemes.

4 FINANCE

4.1 Listed below are the sums available for distribution, categorised by grant:

Grant	OE Budget 2017/18 £	Reserves Balance £	TOTAL AVAILABLE BUDGET £
Recreation & Culture	30,530	19,720	50,250
Sporting Excellence	3,650	1,950	5,600
Arts Excellence	4,200	3,440	7,640
Arts Development	4,830	3,820	8,650

4.2 Summarised below are the number of applications received for each grant category along with total value of the applications.

Grant	Number of Applications Received	Total Value of Applications £
Recreation & Culture	20	76,023
Sporting Excellence	17	3,100
Arts Excellence	6	800
Arts Development	5	9,300

4 RISK ASSESSMENT

4.1 The approval of this report may have the following implications

- Resources – the following sums are available for distribution:
Recreation and Culture Grants £50,250
Sporting Excellence £5,600
Arts Excellence £7,640
Arts Development £8,650
- Technical, Environmental and Legal – A grant condition is that awards must be to residents and organisations which primarily benefit residents.
- Political - none
- Reputation – the grant programme is well received in the communities of the Ribble Valley and gives the Council an opportunity to support a range of

organisations and individuals who otherwise might not be able to access public funds.

5 RECOMMENDED THAT COMMITTEE

- 5.1 Endorse the recommendation of the working group outlined in appendices 1 - 4 as attached to this report.

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BACKGROUND PAPERS

None

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ORGANISATION	PROJECT	COST	GRANT REQUEST	PREVIOUS GRANTS	PROPOSAL
Ribblesdale Wanderers Cricket & Bowling Club	Purchase of furniture for the clubhouse – chairs, bar stools and tables	£3983	£2000	2016 - £2000	£ 1500
Clitheroe Cricket Club	To build a secure storage facility for equipment	£3078	£1500	2015 - £500 2016 - £2000	£1000
Clitheroe Cricket Club	Funding of a new ECB Level 3 coach to run and oversee junior and senior training	£2100	£1000	2015 - £500 2016 - £2000	£1000
Ribchester Tennis Club	Replacement of lighting with LEDs and extension of lighting. Perimeter fencing Works to wooden pavilion	£4000 £2500 £4000	£5000 total	1984 Mid 1990s 1999 2015	£3000
Ribchester Playing Field Trust	New games nets and fittings on MUGA Surface cleaning, repairs and re-marking	£4250	£3250	2015 - £8000	£3250
Simonstone Tennis Club	New pavilion to provide disabled access, indoor bowling, table tennis, yoga etc. Plus installation of electricity to the building.	£153,000	£8000	2000 - £1000 2002 - £64 2003 - £1300 2006 - £7000 2007 - £2000	£6000 (on hold)
Longridge Golf Club	Continuation of Junior Coaching programme	£4334	£1000	2013 - £935 (for youth element) 2014 - £400 2015 - £400	Nil

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Ribble Valley Recreation and Leisure (Roefield)	Multi Sports Olympic Legacy Sessions for 'premium' families 12/50 and special educational needs	£7314	£1440		Nil
Mellor & District Community Association	Ground source heating, underfloor heating and new floor to main hall and new entrance to improve disabled access and facilities	£169,742	£3000	2014	£3000
Mellor & District Community Association	Pick and mix activities (Specifically for short tennis and pickle ball)	£2413	£2413	2014	£710
Ribble Valley Choir	Choral event in December 2017	£665	£400	2010,11 & 12 - £200 2013 - £250 2015 - £200 2016 - £400	Nil
Ribble Valley Jazz & Blues	Annual Festival held on May Bank Holiday 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.	£65,600	£2,500	2011 - £500 2012 - £600 2013 - £1000 2014 - £1000 2015 - £1000 2016 - £1000	£1500
Longridge Band	Flugal horn and 2 tubas	£3600	£3600	2010 - £1000 2011 - £1000 2012 - £1000	£1600
Clitheroe youth Forum	Positive activities – caving and mountain biking	£800	£400	2013 - £1,500 2016 - £400	£200

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Whalley Education Foundation	Replace main hall floor; Create storage facility; Convert small room into toilets Improve heating and insulation measures + Fees and contingency	£11917 £11580 £12360 £4206 £45,126	£15,000	2014	£10,000 for main hall floor
Muck and Nettles CIC (Playhappy Promotions Ltd)	Cloudspotting 3 day Music and Arts Festival Enchanted Forest Stage	£2500	£1300	2014 – 2016 - £500	£750
Read Cricket & Bowling Club	Community building and Multi Sports Facility	£1m	£20,000		£8000 (on hold)
Ribble Valley Cricket Development Group	Three year programme of development			2016 - £2480	£2620
Ribble Valley Junior Netball Club	Summer school activity days – 3 fun and 2 development/skill	£1421	£600	2016 - £600	£600
The Grand	Intergenerational Latin and Ballroom dance project	£1932	£1000	0	£750
				TOTAL	£45,480

ORGANISATION	PROJECT TITLE & DESCRIPTION	SCORE 0-56	GRANT REQUEST	RETURN ON RVBC INVESTMENT	SUGGESTED AWARD	CONDITONS
SPOT ON LANCASHIRE	SPOT ON LANCASHIRE 2017 Support for four venues in Tosside, Simonstone, Mellor Brook & Grindleton to host professional shows this year. Encouraging Dunsop Bridge to be involved with additional development activity and aim to recruit a new venue in the Longridge/Hodder Valley surrounds where there is a current gap in provision. Aim to prioritise the provision in communities that have no access to public transport. Theatre, Dance, Music and Family Shows.	52	£ 800.00	1068%	£800.00	
MUCK OR NETTLES	CLOUDSPOTTING 2017, HEN HARRIER ARTS PROJECT Families attending this years festival will be shown how they need to preserve the environment in the AONB for the native birds such as the endangered hen harrier. This will be done through arts/nature activities, culminating in a large sculpture to parade around the site, the sculpture will be available to the RV community after the festival to educate people about the environmental issues concerned. Children participating can accomplish an introduction to Arts Award (arts equivalent of Duke of Edinburgh) for them to build on in future.	47	£1,250.00	100%	£500.00	
RIBBLE FM	VOICES FOR THE VALLEY To train 10 volunteers from the RV in presentation and broadcasting skills, essential for a sustainable community radio station. Equip the training studio	45	£2,000.00	295%	£500.00	
RIBCAGED PRODUCTIONS	SCHOOL DRAMA INTERVENTION Dedicated drama lessons within RV secondary schools, developing talent and signposting students to available classes outside of the curriculum. Allow participants to develop their Arts Award qualification to assist them in their future careers. Train pupils to deliver drama classes themselves. Train teachers to use drama techniques within their lessons to encourage creative learning within RV high schools.	42	£2,500.00	300%	£750.00	Added condition of creating a relevant issue based theme, to be agreed.

ORGANISATION	PROJECT TITLE & DESCRIPTION	SCORE 0-56	GRANT REQUEST	RETURN ON RVBC INVESTMENT	SUGGESTED AWARD	CONDITONS
FOUNDATION FOR RIBBLE VALLEY FAMILIES	A WAY WITH WORDS A writing project working directly with 12 individuals from identified disadvantaged families living in the Ribble Valley, developing their skills & creative potential, increasing the wellbeing, mental health and aspirations of the individuals and their families. Each participant will feature in a published anthology and be involved in the books launch event.	42	£2,750.00	100%	1500.00	
				TOTAL	£4050.00	

SPORTING EXCELLENCE AWARDS 2017

NAME	AGE	SPORT	STANDARD	SCORE	Suggested AWARD (£)
Lucy Naylor	15	Cycling	GB	26	350
Thea Cameron	17	Climbing	Regional/National	24	300
Hattie Varley	12	Swimming	Regional	24	300
Luca Sutton	13	Fishing	National	23	250
Cara Milne-Redhead	14	Football	National (Scotland)	22	250
Alasdair Moir	15	Modern Pentathlon	National	22	250
Oliver Murray	17	Modern Pentathlon	GB	20	200
Connor Byrne	Not stated – at University	Climbing	GB	19	200
Charlotte Williams	15	Athletics (Hammer)	County	19	200

Martha Smith	16	Swimming	Regional / National (Wales)	18	150
Charles Ben Paige	Not stated – at Secondary school	Cycling/Cyclocross	Regional	18	150
Elisha Jade Priestley	Not stated - secondary	Netball	Regional	17	150
Samuel James Milligan	15	Cricket	Regional	15	100
Will Jepson	12	Tennis	County	14	100
Charlie Dewhurst	16	Cricket	County	11	50
Anna Johnson	15	Netball	County	8	50
Joshua Stamford	14	Cricket	County	9	50
				TOTAL	3100

ARTS EXCELLENCE GRANTS 2016

NAME	AGE	ART	GRANT
Suzanne Garth – Jones	17	Dance	£200
Oliver Kirk	18	Dance	£200
Millie Kiss		Dance / Drama / Singing	£150
Robyn Fallon	16	Dance	£100
Tegan Shaw	15	Dance	£100
Daniel Kirk	14	Dance	£50
		TOTAL	£800