# **GRANTS COMMITTEE**

# MINUTES AND DECISION RECORD

## 15 August 2008

The meeting commenced at 11.30am in the Civic Centre, Hartlepool

### Present:

- Councillor Robbie Payne (In the Chair)
- Councillor: Victor Tumilty
- Officers: Susan Rybak, Community Resources Manager Pat Wormald, Senior Clerical Officer Denise Wimpenny. Principal Democratic Services Officer Jo Wilson, Democratic Services Officer

# 1. Apologies for Absence

Apologies were submitted by The Mayor.

# 2. Declarations of interest by members

Councillor Tumilty declared an interest in the Friends of the North Cemetery. The Chair requested that consideration of their application be deferred until the next meeting of the Grants Committee.

# 3. Confirmation of the minutes of the meeting held on 21 July 2008

Agreed

# 4. **Civic Lottery Grant Applications** (Assistant Chief Executive)

**Type of decision** Non-Key

### Purpose of report

To consider Civic Lottery Grant Applications

### Issue(s) for consideration by the Committee

The report sought the Committee's consideration of the following:-

The general approach to the allocation of the available balance for 2008/9

- The approach to the award of grants for citizens' summer outings and Christmas parties and delegating authority to officers to approve these grants
- > Applications where no previous grants have been awarded
- > Applications where grants have previously been awarded

Members were advised that the balance available for distribution at the beginning of the financial year was £17,312.00. However they were reminded that on 21st April 2008 they had awarded £9,115.52 from the 2008/9 budget to fund grant applications submitted at that meeting therefore the balance remaining was now £8,196.48. Previously Members had also agreed to ringfence £1,500.00 for senior citizens' summer outings and Christmas parties each year but in 2007/08 the value of the applications exceeded this amount resulting in an overspend of £1,640.00. Should Members wish to continue to allocate £1,500.00 for this purpose the balance remaining for the year would be £6,696.48. In previous years it had been agreed to distribute the balance available proportionately over three tranches. In this case each of the three tranches would be allocate £2,232.16.

Members considered each of the applications in turn.

### Decision

- i. That the available balance for 2008/09 be allocated proportionately over three tranches.
- ii. That £1,500 be set aside for applications for senior citizens' summer outings and Christmas parties
- iii. That authority be delegated to the Assistant Chief Executive to award grants for senior citizens' summer outings and Christmas parties in accordance with the approved criteria
- iv. That the following grant applications be approved:

3320	Hartlepool Shotokan Karate Club	£300
3326	Middleton and Raby Road Community Action Group	£300
3328	Footprints Group	£300
3318	Hartlepool Youth Choir Parents' Association	£156.25

3319	Hartlepool Royal British Legion	£150
3321	Old Boys' Field Sheltered Bungalows	£50
3329	Hartlepool Church and District Football League (Saturdays)	£175
3331	Friends of Tees and Hartlepool Yacht Club Sailing Cadets	£200

v. That the following grant applications be refused

3330 - Tees Valley Aces

3322 – Hartlepool Model Rail Group

3327 - Headland Development Trust

vi. That the following grant application be deferred

3332 - Friends of the North Cemetery

The meeting concluded at 12 noon

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