

Minutes of a meeting of the Grants Sub-Committee of Newbury Town Council held at 6.30 pm on Wednesday 27th March 2024 in The Chamber, Town Hall, Newbury.

Present: Councillors: Sam Dibas, Chris Hood, David Marsh (chairperson) & Sarah Slack

In Attendance: Liz Manship, Responsible Financial Officer

1. Apologies for absence

Councillor Phil Barnett

2. Declarations of interest and dispensations

- a) Councillor David Marsh is a Member of West Berkshire Council and has a general dispensation to discuss any matters relating to the business of that Council.
- b) Councillor Sam Dibas – Governor at Newbury College
- c) Councillor David Marsh – Trustee to Wash Common Library, Trustee to Wash Common Community Association, Chair of Governors at John Rankin School, Parent of a pupil at St Bartholomew's School and Husband to a Governor at St Bartholomew's School.
- d) Councillor Sarah Slack – Trustee of the CAB, West Berkshire.

3. Minutes

Proposed: Councillor Chris Hood

Seconded: Councillor David Marsh

Resolved: That the minutes of the meeting of the Grants Sub-Committee held on 23rd October 2023 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairperson.

4. Grant Aid Criteria

The meeting noted the Grant Aid Criteria.

5. Award of Grant Aid

Having regard to the Council's criteria for awarding grants and the Council's Strategic objectives to support youth, the elderly, the vulnerable and the diverse in communities.

The Committee noted the exceptional donation of £400 towards the 6th June 2024 D-Day celebrations from members of the public supporting the Councillors coffee morning on 23rd March 2024. Within the donations agreed below, the Committee added an additional £200 to this cause.

Proposed: Councillor David Marsh

Seconded: Councillor Chris Hood

Resolved: That the Council makes the following grant awards, payable through The Good Exchange:

App. ID	Organisation Name	Project title	Balance Required	NTC Award	Matched Funding (The Good Exchange)	Matched Funding (Greenham Trust Top-Up Funding)	Total Value
19427	Community Youth Project	CYP Youth Work in Greenham and Surrounding Areas - 2022-2025	£185,300.00	£2,500.00		£2,500.00	£5,000.00
20442	Greenham Control Tower Ltd	80th Celebration of D-Day - 6th June 2024 – “We will remember them”	£3,150.00	£600.00	£600.00		£1,200.00
20419	The Corn Exchange (Newbury) Trust	Old Library Fundraising Campaign	£1,000,150.00	£1,000.00	£1,000.00		£2,000.00
20401	The Newbury Community Resource Centre Limited	Let's Get Active Supported Walking Group	£6,825.75	£1,000.00	£64.93	£935.07	£2,000.00
20355	1st Newbury Scout Group	Improved bathroom facilities for all stakeholders	£11,071.69	£1,000.00	£1,000.00		£2,000.00
20204	West Berks Action for Refugees	Case worker for Asylum Seekers and refugees in West Berkshire	£23,060.00	£604.86	£604.86		£1,209.72
20268	City Arts Newbury	ART in the HeART of the Community: City Arts 2024 Operating Costs	£9,645.84	£500.00		£500.00	£1,000.00
20279	3rd Newbury Scout Group	Sound Proofing / Dampening	£2,987.20	£1,000.00	£1,000.00		£2,000.00
20205	Time to Talk West Berkshire	Time to Talk Counselling and Support for Young People	£3,377.00	£1,000.00	£1,000.00		£2,000.00
20159	My Cancer My Choices	Supporting people with a cancer diagnosis with complementary therapy in West Berkshire 2023-24	£671.49	£335.75	£335.75		£671.50
19779	Newbury Soup Kitchen	Newbury Soup Kitchen Day to Day Running Costs 2023-2024	£22,148.57	£604.86	£604.86		£1,209.72
19897	Mary Hare Foundation	Mary Hare School - Swimming pool liner renovation	£19,038.40	£1,000.00	£1,000.00		£2,000.00
			Total Funding Awarded	£11,145.47	£7,210.40	£3,935.07	£22,290.94

6. Individual Grants

Proposed: Cllr Slack

Seconded: Cllr Marsh

Resolved: The Committee requested the RFO release the following grants, agreed by Full Council:

- a) CAB West Berkshire - £20,000
- b) Voluntary Centre – West Berkshire - £500
- c) Berkshire Buckinghamshire and Oxfordshire Wildlife Trust, which manages the Greenham & Crookham Common - £500
- d) Climate Change Projects – The Committee was disappointed to note no specific funding request. To raise with the Climate Emergency Working Group, with the suggestion NTC match fund climate change projects registered with The Good Exchange.

There being no further business the Chairperson declared the meeting closed at 7.50 pm.

Chairperson:

Date: