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29 January 2024

You are requested to attend a meeting of the WELWYN HATFIELD BOROUGH COUNCIL GRANTS BOARD to be held on Wednesday 7 February 2024 at 7.30 pm in the Council Chamber, Council Offices, The Campus, Welwyn Garden City, Herts, AL8 6AE.

**AGENDA**  
**PART 1**

1. **SUBSTITUTION OF MEMBERS**

To note any substitution of Board Members made in accordance with Council Procedure Rules.

2. **APOLOGIES**

To note any apologies.

3. **MINUTES**

To confirm as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting held on 6<sup>th</sup> December 2023 (previously circulated).

4. **NOTIFICATION OF URGENT BUSINESS TO BE CONSIDERED UNDER ITEM 7**

5. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST BY MEMBERS**

To note declarations of Members' disclosable pecuniary interests, non-disclosable pecuniary interests and non-pecuniary interests in respect of items on the Agenda.

6. **GRANTS BOARD PRESENTATION (Pages 3 - 8)**

To receive a presentation from the Assistant Director (Leisure, Community & Cultural Services).

7. **SUCH OTHER BUSINESS AS, IN THE OPINION OF THE CHAIRMAN, IS OF SUFFICIENT URGENCY TO WARRANT IMMEDIATE CONSIDERATION:**

8. **EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC**

The Board is asked to resolve:

That under Section 100(A)(2) and (4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be now excluded from the meeting for Item 9 on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of confidential or exempt information as defined in Section 100(A)(3) and Paragraph 3 (private financial or business information) of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the said Act (as amended).

In resolving to exclude the public in respect of the exempt information, it is considered that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

## **PART II**

9. GRANTS BOARD PRESENTATION FROM OFFICER (Pages 9 - 22)

To receive a presentation from the Assistant Director (Leisure, Community & Cultural Services).

10. ANY OTHER BUSINESS OF A CONFIDENTIAL OR EXEMPT NATURE AT THE DISCRETION OF THE CHAIRMAN

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# Grants Board

7<sup>th</sup> February 2024  
Joyce Guthrie

Agenda Item 6

# Part I

# Update on Annual Community Grants 23/24



# Annual Grants 23/24 – Update

In December 2022 Grants Board awarded the 2023/24 grants:

- 6 organisations were awarded.
- A total amount of £73,000.00
- All successful applicants have received the second and final payment of grant monies.
- All projects are still ongoing, with the 4<sup>th</sup> and final feedback forms due in February 2024.

# Small Start Up Grant and Community Lottery update



# Small Start up grants

Grants Board approved a fund of £2,500 to support 5 community organisations with start up grants

These grants enable organisations to build capacity and develop policies, procedures that enable them to be compliant for future grants.

Grant applications opened on 12<sup>th</sup> January 2024

Grants applications will close on 12<sup>th</sup> February 2024

[Small Start-Up Community Grant – Welwyn Hatfield Borough Council \(welhat.gov.uk\)](https://welhat.gov.uk)

# Community Lottery



- One Welwyn Hatfield Community Lottery launched in September 2023
- First lottery draw took place on 14<sup>th</sup> October and are now weekly
- Currently have 40 Live Good Causes signed up on our platform



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