

WELWYN HATFIELD BOROUGH COUNCIL  
GRANTS BOARD – 14 DECEMBER 2016  
REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

**GRANT APPLICATIONS - 14 DECEMBER 2016**

**1 Executive Summary**

- 1.1 Thirteen applications have been received for Small Community Grants (Appendix A).
- 1.2 Small community grant awards are limited to £2,000 per application (September 2011 meeting decision).

**2 Recommendation(s)**

- 2.1 Members of the panel to agree which applications for small community grants meet the Council's priorities and criteria, and how much grant funding each should receive.

**3 Financial Implication(s)**

- 3.1 The 2016/17 budget for Small Community Grants is £20,025. At the first meeting in June the Grants Board awarded £8,000 meaning that there is a remaining budget of £12,025 for the 2016/17 financial year. The thirteen applications received amount to £21,940 which is £ 9,915 more than is available.

**4 Link to Corporate Priorities**

- 4.1 Welwyn Hatfield Borough Council Grants Board looks to support projects which help achieve Council's Corporate Priorities. Applications for community grants need to contribute to at least one of the following:
  - 1. Maintain a safe and healthy community:
  - 2. Protect and enhance the environment:
  - 3. Meet the borough's housing needs:
  - 4. Help build a strong local economy:
  - 5. Engage with our communities and provide value for money:

**5 Legal Implication(s)**

- 5.1 There are none arising from this report.

**6 Climate Change Implication(s)**

6.1 There are none arising from this report.

## **7 Risk Management Implications**

7.1 There are none arising from this report.

## **8 Explanation**

8.1 Please see Appendix A for summary of new Community Grant applications and project details.

## **9 Equality and Diversity**

9.1 I confirm that an Equality Impact Assessment has been carried out of the Council's Community Grant policy. In addition, all applications submit a Diversity monitoring form along with stating in their applications that they are committed to equal opportunities and have an equalities policy in place.

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Appendices	
A	Community grants applications December 2016

Background papers:  
Community Grant Applications