

**HOUGHTON REGIS TOWN COUNCIL**  
**Community Services Committee**  
**29<sup>th</sup> October 2018 at 7.30pm**

Present: Councillors: Ms J Hillyard Chairman  
Ms L Ellaway  
Mrs Y Farrell  
C Slough  
K Wattingham  
T Welch

Officers: Clare Evans Town Clerk

Public: 15

Also present: Councillors J Carroll  
Mrs T McMahon

Apologies: D Dixon-Wilkinson  
M Kennedy

**9630 APOLOGIES & SUBSTITUTIONS**

Apologies were received from cllrs D Dixon-Wilkinson and M Kennedy.

**9631 QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC**

None.

**9632 SPECIFIC DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST & REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS**

Cllr Welch declared an interest in the Community Hub Café grant application.

**9633 KEY PARTNERS**

**Application to become Key Partner**

Members considered an application from Full House Theatre to become a Key Partner.

<i>Applicant</i>	<i>Amount of grant</i>
Full House Theatre	£3,000

**Key Partners - Annual Review of existing**

An update report has been requested and is attached.

Representatives from these organisations attended the meeting to present their annual review / update.

Members are reminded that Key Partner status has been awarded to these organisations until March 2020.

<i>Key Partner</i>	<i>Amount of Grant</i>
Dunstable & District CA	£4,000
SORTED	£4,000
Keech Hospice Care	£5,000
Community Action Bedfordshire (Formerly Voluntary & Community Action)	£3,000
South Beds Dial A Ride	£2,251
Houghton Regis Memorial Hall	£4,000

- Recommendation:**
- 1. To confirm the Key Partner grants in 2018/19;**
  - 2. To hold the grant for the Memorial Hall in an EMR until such time as the car park surfacing project is implemented.**

## **9634 GRANT APPLICATIONS**

### **Large Capital Grant**

Members considered the following application for a large capital grant.

<i>Applicant</i>	<i>Amount of grant</i>
Magpas Air Ambulance	£2,500

It was requested that Magpas include the council logo on any publicity material for the project and that the council be invited to the launch.

### **Small Capital Grants**

Members were advised that £1615 remained in the Small Grant Fund. Members considered the following Grant Applications:

<i>Applicant</i>	<i>Total project cost</i>	<i>Amount requested</i>	<i>Brief description</i>
Hub Café	£1,000	£500	To continue to support special needs adults working within the community
Meaningful Education	£2,000	£500	To support the Mental Health Peer Support Group
Families United Network	£800	£500	To promote the services of Families United Network

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Best Bar None	£20,721	£500	To support the delivery of the Best Bar None award scheme, with the aim for three Houghton Regis pubs to gain accreditation.
Networking at Dunstable	£13,000	£500	Local promotion, complimentary seats for the Business and Community Awards Dunstable & Houghton Regis
Academy of Central Bedfordshire	£675	£500	To run a reading buddy project, with prizes for the most books read.

- Resolved:**
- To award the following Small Capital Grant Applications :**

Hub Café	£500
Meaningful Education	£500
Networking at Dunstable	£200
Academy of Central Bedfordshire	£415
  - Not to award the following Small Capital Grant Applications:**
    - Families United Network
    - Best Bar None

### **End of Award Report**

In accordance with the Grant Scheme Members considered End of Award Reports from the following groups:

Community Action Bedfordshire

**Resolved:** To note the End of Award Reports.

**The Chairman declared the meeting closed at 9.48pm**

**Dated this                      day of                      2018**

**Chairman**