

HASLEMERE TOWN COUNCIL

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Grants Committee

Minutes of the meeting held at 7pm on 12th January 2018 Council Chamber, Town Hall, High Street, Haslemere

Chairman	Cllr J. Edwards*
Vice Chairman	Cllr M. Carter*
Councillors	Abeysundara, Arrick, Blades*, Dover*, Ford, Hall*, Hewett*, King*, Rodgers, Round*

*Present

Meeting clerked by: Lisa O'Sullivan Town Clerk.

1/18 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllrs Abeysundara, Ford and Arrick

2/18 DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY AND NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS

Cllrs Edwards and King declared non-pecuniary interests in item 5 as officers of the Royal British Legion, a beneficiary of the Fringe Festival.

3/18 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held 2nd November 2017 were signed as a true record.

4/18 <u>BUDGET</u>

The Committee noted the remaining budget.

5/18 GRANT APPLICATIONS FOR CONSIDERATION

1. THE FRINGE FESTIVAL (£1500, contribution towards headline act)

Members discussed whether providing the use of Lion Green for free was enough support to be offered the Fringe Festival. Cllrs Hall and Round raised the issue of payment and non-payment, with Cllr Round stating this is a recurring debate which has previously been settled with charity events not being asked to pay. The Fringe Festival brings a lot of visitors to the town and is seen in very positive terms. The Town Clerk confirmed that a deposit of £1000 will be paid in advance and if any damage to Lion Green occurs, money will be taken from the deposit to rectify the damage.

Resolved: that the full grant of £1,500 is awarded.

2. <u>HASLEMERE HARES (£2000, SPONSORSHIP OF Hares for state schools & other community groups)</u>

Cllr Carter had already "called in" this application due to a) £2,000 being a large sum and b) to give Cllrs the opportunity to air their views on whether to support it.

Recommended: that Brian Howard is invited to Full Council on 18th January 2018.

3. HASLEMERE METHODIST CHURCH (£1000.00, redevelopment of community kitchen)

Members discussed two issues — one being that the Church has significant funds some of which are restricted but with no information as to what the restrictions were. It was felt that any future applicants should state any restrictions of funds they held (if any). The other issue was the good work the Church does

in supporting the local community including being a donation centre for the Haslemere food bank. Cllr Round pointed out that the total redevelopment cost is stated to be £98,000 and the grant being applied for is modest.

Resolved: that the full grant of £1,000 is awarded.

6/18 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

8th March 2018

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		7.20pm
Signed:	Date:	
Chairman of Grants		