



HASLEMERE TOWN COUNCIL

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Grants Committee

Minutes of the meeting held at 7pm on 13th January 2020
Council Chamber, Town Hall, High Street, Haslemere

Chairman	Cllr Jacquie Keen*
Vice Chairman	Cllr David Dullaway*
Councillors	Hewett*, Isherwood*, Matthes*, Robini, Round* and Whitby

**Present*

Meeting clerked by: Lisa O'Sullivan Town Clerk and was attended by representatives from Waverley Borough Council and Grayshott Cricket Club.

1/20 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

The Committee accepted the absence of Cllr Robini (another meeting) and Cllr Whitby (work commitment).

2/20 DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY AND NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS

None.

3/20 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held 18th November 2019 were signed by the Chairman as a true record.

4/20 BUDGET 2019-2020

The Committee noted the remaining budget.

5/20 GRANT APPLICATIONS FOR CONSIDERATION

1) WAVERLEY BOROUGH COUNCIL - £500 towards Specsavers Surrey Games

The representative from WBC gave an overview of the games, held across Surrey with 6-8 weeks of free sport courses held in each Borough for 7-16 year olds. Last year 50 children from Haslemere participated, WBC try to ensure that children in hard to reach groups or who are not normally captured by this kind of exercise are involved. It was noted that Farnham TC do not give a grant towards the games as it does not meet their funding criteria. Specsavers are the headline sponsor and donate things such as publicity materials and goody bags.

Cllr Round suggested that this was perhaps the wrong way round and that Haslemere should be receiving grants from WBC not awarding them, especially given that our local institutions receive less than other towns in terms of funding.

Cllr Keen proposed that the grant of £500 be awarded on the condition that WBC does not re-apply next year since this is the second year in a row that a grant has been awarded and HTC does not usually award recurring grants. Seconded by Cllr Hewett.

RESOLVED: That the grant of £500 be awarded. All councillors voted for except Cllr Round who objected.

2) **GRAYSHOTT CRICKET CLUB - £500 towards girls cricket and women's softball**

The representative from Grayshott CC explained that the club is run by volunteers. Until last year it was mainly boys so the club ran a series of taster sessions for girls which went down well. Further sessions in local schools have been provided and the hope is that a girls team will play in a local league this season. The club wishes to grow the girls side of the sport to match that of the boys. It is also intended that a women's softball team be set up – there is a fully trained coach ready to go. The grant is needed for setup costs and equipment.

It was confirmed that since cricket is no longer taught in state schools, the club is particularly interested in signing children from state schools, those from disadvantaged backgrounds can use club equipment and have their membership fees paid for. There are over 100 'All Stars' (aged 5-8yrs) 75% of whom are from state schools.

The committee praised the efforts of the club in this respect.

Cllr Round suggested that the grant be doubled to £1000. Seconded by Cllr Dullaway.

RESOLVED: That a grant of £1000 is awarded.

6/20 **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

9th March 2020.

Meeting closed at 7.35 pm

Signed: _____ Date: _____
Chairman of Grants