# **+Grants Committee**

Minutes of the meeting held at 7pm on 8th March 2018

Council Chamber, Town Hall, High Street, Haslemere

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| **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. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Cllrs Abeysundara (out of country), Blades (previous engagement) Carter (other engagement), Dover (unwell).

1. **DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY AND NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS**

None.

1. **MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING**

The minutes of the meeting held 12th January 2018 were signed as a true record.

1. **BUDGET**

The Committee noted the remaining budget.

**RECOMMENDED**: That any small grants budget remaining at the end of the financial year is moved into an earmarked reserve and added to the £10,000 small grants budget for next year.

1. **GRANT APPLICATIONS FOR CONSIDERATION**
2. **HHH CONCERTS (£900, hire of chamber/classical music group for a day for concerts in Grayswood and St Christopher’s Church).**

The committee was conscious that the group does good work providing music to the community in Haslemere and elsewhere however the following concerns were raised:

* The group received a grant of £750 in the previous financial year – awards are not usually given in consecutive years.
* The full amount of the grant is being sought – the committee would normally look for matched funding.
* The committee has recently awarded two grants for music concerts, one of which is to be held at St Christopher’s church.
* The group’s accounts show a significant surplus.

**RESOLVED:** **that** **the grant of £900 is declined.**

1. **A PLACE TO BE YOUTH GROUP (£500, supervisors for new youth café).**

The committee were concerned that HTC was being asked to provide funds to maintain the infrastructure of the Wey Centre where the youth group is run however it was established that the grant was towards the provision of staff to run the new youth centre café.

The committee was of the opinion that, since this project was to assist many young people in the Town the amount awarded should be increased.

**RESOLVED:** **that A Place To Be Youth Club is awarded £1000**

1. **HASLEMERE HARES (£2000 – community project)**

There was some discussion over the award of the second part of this grant: £1000 of the £2000 requested was awarded at January Council and the committee was asked by Council to consider awarding the second £1000 should funds be available at its March meeting. It was noted that the Haslemere Hogs project had a surplus of £4000 which could have been used as seed money for the Hares project. It was also noted that the project was highly successful in bringing the town together and generating goodwill in the community.

**Resolved:** **that the full grant of £1,000 is awarded on receipt of the following:**

* Accounts from the Haslemere Hogs project
* Breakdown of which charities benefitted from the Hogs project and how much they received.
* What the additional £1,000 will be spent on since the 60 Hares have apparently been sold.
* Which charities will benefit from the money raised from the project.

1. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

10th May 2018

Meeting closed at 8.15pm

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**Chairman of Grants**