



Report to: Portfolio Holder for Strategy, Performance & Finance
Decision Date: 13 March 2024
Portfolio Holder: Cllr Paul Peacock
Director Lead: Suzanne Shead, Director - Housing, Health & Wellbeing
Lead Officer: Victoria Endersby, Senior Community Development Officer

Report Summary	
Type of Report	Open / Non-Key Decision
Report Title	Community Grant Scheme Allocations
Purpose of Report	To approve the awards recommended by the cross party panel for the Community Grant Scheme.
Recommendations	That the awards detailed within the report are approved.
Alternative Options Considered	That the awards are not approved and that the awards are referred to Cabinet for further discussion/ approval.
Reason for Recommendation	It was agreed at Cabinet held on 31.10.23 that in order to support the expedient allocation of awards under the 2023-24 grant scheme, that a Portfolio Holder decision would be sufficient to awards the grants following a cross party panel having considered and recommended awards from all eligible application received. All Members also had opportunity to feed into the decision making process through direct feedback to the panel – there was no opposition from Members to any of the successful applications.
Decision Taken	As per the recommendation.

1.0 Background

1.1 The cross party panel, made up of representatives from the three main political parties, met on 12 March 2024 to consider the 47 applications received under the 2023-24 Community Grant Scheme.

1.2 Three declarations of interest were declared and on these applications the relevant panel member did not vote. The remaining members were unanimous in their decision making and there were therefore no referrals to the Leader of the Council for decision making.

1.3 It was agreed at Cabinet held on 31.10.23 that in order to support the expedient allocation of awards under the 2023-24 grant scheme, that a Portfolio Holder decision would be sufficient to award the grants following a cross party panel having considered and recommended awards from all eligible application received. All Members have also had an opportunity to feed into the decision making process through direct feedback to the panel – there was no opposition from Members to any of the successful applications.

2.0 Proposal

2.1 That the Portfolio Holder for Strategy, Performance & Finance approves the following awards:

Application Name	Awarded	Notes
1 st Bilsthorpe Scout Group		
Beaumont House Hospice Care		
Blidworth on the Move	4,500.00	Full award
Childrens Bereavement Centre		
Christ Church Newark	8,100.62	Partial award
Clipstone Bowls Club		
Clipstone Community Regeneration Group		
Collingham Football & Sports Club		
Contemporary Art Newark		
Edwinstowe Cricket Club		
Epperstone Parish Council		
Farnsfield Bowling Green		
Farnsfield Community Spaces	966	Full award
Farnsfield Local History Society		
Farnsfield Twinning Association		
Friends of Coddington School	8940.6	Full award - Conditional Offer
Friends of Sconce and Devon Park	4440.78	Full award
Friends of Southwell Park	10,800	Full award
Lets All Eat		
Muskham Rural Community Centre	4,980.00	Full award
Newark & District Royal Air Force Cadets	2,190.00	Full award
Newark Amateur Boxing Club (NABC)	7,900.00	Full award
Newark Book Festival		
Newark Community Hub		
Newark Emmaus Trust		
Norwell Community Shop		
Nottingham Forest Community Trust		
Of Many Circles Limited		
Ollerton Town Football Club	4,932.00	Full award
Oxton Village Hall Management Committee		

Portland College		
Quirkshops CIC		
Reach Learning Disability	10,000.00	Partial award - conditional and evidence of own resources
Rolleston Village Hall		
Rumbles Catering Project Ltd		
Rural Community Action Notts		
Sherwood Forest Education Partnerships CIC	5,000.00	Full award
Sherwood Forest Trust		
Southwell Scout Group		
St Margarets Bilsthorpe Parochial Church Council		
Support Me Maternal Project CIC		
The Furniture Project	13,750.00	Full award
The Inspire and Achieve Foundation		
The Social Action Hub	10,000.00	Partial award
Thoresby Sporting Trust		
Transform Mental health CIC		
Winthorpe Community Garden	3,500	Full award

3.0 Implications

In writing this report and in putting forward recommendations officers have considered the following implications; Data Protection, Digital and Cyber Security, Equality and Diversity, Financial, Human Resources, Human Rights, Legal, Safeguarding and Sustainability, and where appropriate they have made reference to these implications and added suitable expert comment where appropriate.

Budget is in place to cover the awards above as per previous approval:

Financial Implications – FIN23-24/9794

- 3.1 The 2023/24 budget was originally set at £100,000. By carrying forward the underspend in 2022/23, this gives a revised budget of £124,100 for the current financial year. It's possible that under the new criteria stated above, that the number, and value of appropriate bids, fall short of the total funding available and that there is a further carry forward of unallocated grant funding into 2024/25.

Background Papers and Published Documents

Except for previously published documents, which will be available elsewhere, the documents listed here will be available for inspection in accordance with Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972.