

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Decision Report

Decision Maker:	Executive Member for Policy and Resources
Date of Decision:	13 December 2012
Decision Title:	Grants to Voluntary Organisations and Other Bodies
Decision Reference:	1292
Report From:	Director of Policy and Governance- Corporate Services

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1. Executive Summary

1.1. The purpose of this paper is to consider 2 applications received for financial assistance from the Policy and Resources budget whose details are outlined in Appendix 2 to this report.

2. Budget position

2.1. The balance available for allocation at 13 December 2012 is £275,247 after grants approved at the last decision day, commitments made in previous years and sums earmarked for specific purposes.

3. Criteria of grant

3.1. A copy of the criteria used for considering grants from this Policy and Resources grants budget is attached as Appendix 1 to this report.

4. Recommendation:

- i. That the decision being recommended on the grant applications outlined in Appendix 2 of this report be approved.

CORPORATE OR LEGAL INFORMATION:

Links to the Corporate Strategy

Hampshire safer and more secure for all:	No
Corporate Business plan link number (if appropriate):	
Maximising well-being:	Yes
Corporate Business plan link number (if appropriate):	
Enhancing our quality of place:	Yes
Corporate Business plan link number (if appropriate):	

Section 100 D – Local Government Act 1972 - background documents

The following documents discuss facts or matters on which this report, or an important part of it, is based and have been relied upon to a material extent in the preparation of this report. (NB: the list excludes published works and any documents which disclose exempt or confidential information as defined in the Act.)

DocumentLocation

Application form received from organisations

Chief Executive's Department

IMPACT ASSESSMENTS:

1. Equalities Impact Assessment:

1.1 The application procedure includes equalities monitoring information as agreed as part of the corporate review of grants programmes and procedures. Further information can be found on individual requests.

2. Impact on Crime and Disorder:

2.1. The County Council has an obligation under Section 17 of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998 to consider the impact of all decisions it makes on the prevention of crime. The proposals in this report aim to improve the wellbeing of Hampshire residents and reduce the risk of crime occurring.

FUNDING CRITERIA FOR THE POLICY AND RESOURCES GRANTS

The following criteria should be taken into consideration when preparing a submission for funding. They are intended as guidelines and not prescriptive rules

1. Assistance will be considered only in response to direct applications from properly constituted organisations seeking assistance. You must show in your application that your organisation is properly and legally organised and has its own bank account.
2. Where appropriate, applications will be referred to the relevant service department (e.g. Adult Services, Culture, Communities and Business Services, Children's Services, etc) for consideration.
3. Preference will be given to applications for specific projects or activities rather than general running costs of organisations. These grants are not intended to replace shortfalls in service delivery budgets or replace funding for other support you may be able to obtain, or that you have obtained from us in the past.
4. Grants will not usually be made in respect of applications from the following:-
 - District or Parish Councils
 - Government Institutions
 - Schools
 - Overseas and out of County organisations which have no direct Hampshire involvement
 - Branches or organisations assisted centrally with a sum from the County Council
 - Bodies requesting funds for onward distribution to other charities e.g. mayoral appeals, carnivals, fetes, or for their own fundraising events.
5. Applications will not be accepted from political parties or groups affiliated with a political party or from lobbying/campaigning organisations.
6. Applications will only be considered from faith groups who can demonstrate their facilities are open and used by the local community other than for church related activities and then only for works in relation to the Disability Discrimination Act.
7. Requests may be considered from County wide groups (e.g. Guides, Scouts, Hampshire County Youth Orchestra) for specific trips, e.g. for an international jamboree or cultural tour. Individual requests will not usually be considered.
8. Where possible self-help within organisations should be encouraged and to this end, grants are normally a percentage of the sum required to complete the project.
9. As a general rule, grants in excess of £5,000 will not be awarded.
10. In general only award grants to projects which are taking place in the same year as application for funds

**GIRLGUIDING LYMINGTON
HOG ORG NO:1292**

PURPOSES FOR WHICH FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE IS SOUGHT

Girlguiding Lymington enables girls and young women to develop emotionally, mentally, physically and spiritually, so that they can make a positive difference to their community and wider world. The funding being requested is to contribute towards the purchase of a newer minibus, as the current one is old and the maintenance costs are uneconomical.

Total Expenditure: (£18,500 (£15,000- newer minibus, £3,500- hardstanding materials and labour)

Total Income: £13,500 (£1,000- own funds, £1,500- New Forest District Council, £500- Lymington and Pennington Town Council, £2,000- JP Morgan Community Fund, £3,000- own fundraising, £500-Leslie Sell CT, £2,000- Peter Sell annual Award, £2,000- Garfield Weston Foundation, £1,000- Hedley Denton CT)

Shortfall: £5,000

APPLICATION ADDRESSED TO:

Leader of the Council

AMOUNT OF REQUEST

£5,000

GRANTS PREVIOUSLY AWARDED BY OTHER EXECUTIVE MEMBERS AND CONSIDERATION GIVEN BY OTHER LOCAL MEMBERS

Councillor Evans- since 2008 grants totalling £1,950 towards developing guide HQ

COMMENTS OF LOCAL MEMBER

Councillor Evans is in full support of this application. The Lymington Girl Guide movement does excellent work in the town, they have a great team of leaders who work together for the benefit of girls from 5 years to eighteen year olds.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS/ EQUALITY INFORMATION

This organisation is a voluntary and community group and is therefore eligible for a grant under S137 (3) of the Local Government Act 1972.

GENERAL COMMENTS

Director of Children's Services: The application demonstrates a commitment to fund raising and it is encouraging that the organisation has already secured funding from other sources. The service benefits young people of Hampshire and meets the Department's priorities in delivering a service that enables young people to make a positive contribution and enjoy and achieve.

RECOMMENDATION

£5,000

**HOLY TRINITY PENTON MEWSEY PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL (PCC),
ANDOVER
HOG ORG NO: 3954**

PURPOSES FOR WHICH FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE IS SOUGHT

Holy Trinity Penton Mewsey PCC in Andover is requesting funding to modernise the church to provide running water, drains, a kitchen and an extension that can be used as a crèche, a meeting room and other community activities. The works will enable the church to play a full and vibrant part in the community, in providing cultural activities, a crèche, mothers and toddlers groups and a meeting room.

Total Expenditure: £85,500 - (£21,800 - mains drainage, £11,700 – kitchen installation, £35,400 - extension and WC, £16,600 - screen divider)

Total Income: £53,700 (£15,700- own funds, £2,500-Borough Council, £1,000- County Councillor grant, £14,500 (various charitable Trusts) and £20,000- village fundraising)

Shortfall: £31,800.

APPLICATION ADDRESSED TO:

Leader of the Council

AMOUNT OF REQUEST

£5,000

**GRANTS PREVIOUSLY AWARDED BY OTHER EXECUTIVE MEMBERS AND
CONSIDERATION GIVEN BY OTHER LOCAL MEMBERS**

Councillor Patricia West- £1,000- Nov 2012- church improvements.

COMMENTS OF LOCAL MEMBER

Councillor West is in full support of this application and has approved a grant to this project (see above).

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS/ EQUALITY INFORMATION

This organisation is a voluntary and community group and is therefore eligible for a grant under S137 (3) of the Local Government Act 1972.

GENERAL COMMENTS

Director of Culture, Communities and Business Services: The project is in partnership with the voluntary and community sector to enhance the quality of place for local residents.

RECOMMENDATION

£5,000- £10,000