

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**Decision Report**

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| Decision Maker: | Executive Member for Policy and Resources |
| Date of Decision: | 27 October 2011 |
| Decision Title: | Evelyn Mace Educational Trust Scholarship's – 2011/12 academic year |
| Decision Reference: | 3308 |
| Report From: | County Treasurer |

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1. Executive Summary

- 1.1. The purpose of this paper is to seek approval from the Executive Member for Policy and Resources for the payment of eleven scholarship awards which are recommended based on the provisions of the Evelyn Mace Educational Trust.
- 1.2. The proposed scholarship awards amount to £3,650 for the 2011/12 academic year.
- 1.3. The background and terms of the Trust are set out in section 2.

2. Contextual information

- 2.1. In 1999 the Evelyn Mace Educational Trust was established following a bequest received by the County Council from Mrs Evelyn Mace, a former head teacher and Winchester School Governor. The net yearly income of the trust is to be applied by the County Council for the advancement of education through the award of scholarships, bursaries or similar financial assistance to students under the age of 25 years resident in Hampshire.
- 2.2. The Charities Panel and the Community and Conservation Committee agreed that the most efficient way of using the Trust would be to establish two types of annual scholarship.
 - Evelyn Mace Drama Scholarships for students due to start a drama or poetry course of Higher Education
 - Evelyn Mace Scholarships to be made to students in, or formerly in, the care of Hampshire County Council in order for them to pursue a course of Higher Education.

3. Finance

- 3.1. The Trust's annual income is estimated at approximately £5,800 for 2011/12. This funds scholarship awards for both continuing students agreed in previous years as well as new awards approved.
- 3.2. The amount of income received in 2010/11 was lower than in previous years and it is envisaged that it will remain at this lower level for the foreseeable future. Despite this reduction and an increase in the number of applicants, it has been recommended to set the 2011/12 awards at the same rate. The additional funds will be met from the Policy and Resources grants budgets for the duration of the scholarships.
- 3.3. It is recommended that for applications received from young people who were formerly in the care of the County Council the award should remain at £400 per year. For 2011/12 six scholarship awards are recommended (at a total value £2,400), compared with five awards in 2010/11 (total value £2,000).
- 3.4. It is proposed that the award for drama and poetry students should be set at £250 per year (the same level as last year).
- 3.5. The following recommendations are made for new awards totalling £3,650. Further details can be found in Appendix 1.

Evelyn Mace Scholarships¹ - £400 per student

Student A – 3 years

Student B – 3 years

Student C – 4 years

Student D – 3 years

Student E – 3 years

Student F – 1 year

Evelyn Mace Drama Scholarships - £250 per student

Kieran Sellars – 3 years

Sally Paskins – 3 years

Michael Jones – 3 years

Samantha Jeffery – 3 years

Rebecca Denby – 3 years

- 3.6. In addition to these proposals a further £7,700 will be provided in relation to continuing students who were awarded a scholarship in previous years. This

¹ In view of the eligibility criteria for these awards, the students are not identified. Details are available on request.

proposal will, therefore, result in a total award of £11,350 being made during 2011/12.

- 3.7. Whilst the total amount of the award funded during 2011/12 will exceed the overall level of estimated income of £5,800, it is envisaged that this proposal will be affordable during 2011/12 as a result of surplus income achieved in earlier years and the increased funds being met from the Policy and Resources grants budget. However, if the number of applications received in the future were to remain in line with those received this year, or increase further, this position would not be sustainable on an on-going basis. It would, therefore, be necessary to either reduce the level of award in future years or review the eligibility criteria.

4. Recommendations

- 4.1. That new scholarship awards totalling £3,650 for the 2011/12 academic year be awarded to the individuals for the amounts outlined in Appendix 1, subject to the applicants providing the necessary confirmation of attendance from their college or university.

CORPORATE OR LEGAL INFORMATION:**Links to the Corporate Strategy**

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| 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: | No |
| Corporate Business plan link number (if appropriate): | |

Other Significant Links

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| Links to previous Member decisions: | | |
| <u>Title</u> | <u>Reference</u> | <u>Date</u> |
| Evelyn Mace Educational Trust Scholarship | 2093 | 28.10.10 |
| Evelyn Mace Educational Trust Scholarship | 941 | 19.10.09 |
| Evelyn Mace Educational Trust Scholarship | 338 | 16.10.08 |
| Direct links to specific legislation or Government Directives | | |
| <u>Title</u> | <u>Date</u> | |
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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

None

IMPACT ASSESSMENTS:

1. Equalities Impact Assessment:

- 1.1. Equality and diversity objectives are not considered to be adversely affected by the proposals of this report.

2. Impact on Crime and Disorder:

- 2.1. Crime and disorder objectives are not considered to be adversely affected by the proposals of this report.

3. Climate Change:

- a) How does what is being proposed impact on our carbon footprint / energy consumption?
- No impact
- b) How does what is being proposed consider the need to adapt to climate change, and be resilient to its longer term impacts?
- No impact

Evelyn Mace Educational Trust and Scholarship

Recommended Applicants

| Name | Age | University | Course | Course Length | Start Date | Amount |
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| Student A* | 18 | Lancashire University | BA (Hons) Fine Art | 3 years | Sep-11 | £400 |
| Student B* | 18 | Winchester University | BA (Hons) Criminology | 3 years | Sep-11 | £400 |
| Student C* | 20 | Kingston University | BA (Hons) Marketing, Communications and Advertising | 4 years | Sep-11 | £400 |
| Student D* | 19 | University of Sussex | BA (Hons) Politics | 3 years | Oct-11 | £400 |
| Student E* | 18 | University of Sussex | Law (LLB Degree) | 3 years | Oct-11 | £400 |
| Student F* | 21 | University of Reading | Msc Wildlife Management and Conservation | 1 year | Sep-11 | £400 |
| Kieran Sellars | 18 | De Montfort University | Drama Studies BA (Hons) | 3 years | Sep-11 | £250 |
| Sally Paskins | 18 | Bath Spa University | BA (Hons) Performing Arts | 3 years | Sep-11 | £250 |
| Michael Jones | 18 | University of Essex | BA (Hons) Acting | 3 years | Sep-11 | £250 |
| Samantha Jeffery | 18 | University of Winchester | BA (Hons) Creative Writing | 3 years | Sep-11 | £250 |
| Rebecca Denby | 18 | University of Winchester | BA (Hons) Theatre Production | 3 years | Sep-11 | £250 |

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