

HOG ORG NO:3626

PURPOSES FOR WHICH FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE IS SOUGHT

Petersfield Town Partnership is a voluntary and community non-profit organisation whose objectives are to encourage public involvement in the development of proposals and projects within the local community.

On 1 April 2011 the South Downs National Park Authority takes lead responsibility for keeping the South Downs National Park (SDNP) a special place. To mark this very important day, an opening ceremony will be held on the historic market square in the centre of Petersfield, the largest market town in the western part of the Downs. Funding will assist in supporting this opening ceremony programme.

Total Expenditure: £16,900 (£15,000 towards an interactive map of the SDNP)

Total Income: £1,700

Shortfall: £15,200 - should the shortfall not be raised, the Town Partnership will tailor the event to meet the funds available.

APPLICATION ADDRESSED TO:

Leader of the Council

AMOUNT OF REQUEST

£700

GRANTS PREVIOUSLY AWARDED AND CONSIDERATION GIVEN BY OTHER EXECUTIVE MEMBERS

£750 – 2005/06 Community Strategy Budget

COMMENTS OF LOCAL MEMBER

Councillor Clarke is the local member and is fully supportive of this application.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

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

GENERAL COMMENTS

Director of Economic Development: This request is to assist the Town Partnership in raising the profile of Petersfield, and linking it more closely with the South Downs National Park, attracting people into the town to use facilities, shops and services, a strategy actively encouraged by this Department. Should a grant be awarded, the Council will support communities 'helping themselves'; get closer to local people. Maximising Wellbeing and Enhancing our Quality of Place are the two objectives addressed by this event.

RECOMMENDATION

£700