

**HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL****Executive Decision Record**

<b>Decision Maker:</b>	Executive Member for Culture, Recreation and Countryside
<b>Date:</b>	3 December 2015
<b>Title:</b>	Grant Funding for Culture and Community Organisations in Hampshire 2016/17
<b>Reference:</b>	7057
<b>Report From:</b>	Director of Culture, Communities and Business Services

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## 1. The decision:

1.1 That the Executive Member for Culture, Recreation and Countryside:

- i) Approves grants from the Culture and Recreation Investment Fund totalling £642,885, as set out in Appendix 2.

At the meeting, the Director reported that, since the publication of papers, grant evaluation and monitoring forms had been received from The Anvil Trust, Gilbert White Museum/Field Study Centre, Phoenix Theatre and QEII Activity Centre. The Director also reported that additional conditions were required relating to the Hampshire Playing Fields Association grant as outlined below:

- HPFA submitting a revised Business Improvement plan by 1 March 2016 demonstrating a forward plan to reduce dependency on County Council grant funding and generate income from other sources.
- HPFA providing monitoring reports to quantify the multiplier effect of the grants it awards.
- HPFA implementing the plan to charge for additional officer visits and time by April 2016.

The Executive Member noted this additional information and agreed that the additional conditions relating to HPFA be approved.

The Executive Member also approved that the Leigh Park Community Association (LPCA) grant be awarded subject to receiving assurances from LPCA concerning their future business model and financial security.

- ii) Approves £34,000 to Making Space in Leigh Park, as set out in Appendix 2.
- iii) Approves grants from the Community Investment Fund totalling £86,125, as set out in Appendix 3.
- iv) Approves the transfer of £79,990 to the Community Buildings Capital Fund 2016/17.
- v) Increases the maximum grant available under the Community Buildings Capital Fund to £25,000.

**2. Reasons for the decision:**

- 2.1 To support organisations that seek to enable local people to meet the recreational, educational, social, cultural and environmental needs of their local communities and to achieve the aim of the Corporate Priority enhancing our quality of place by improving community buildings to provide excellent local facilities.
- 2.2 To provide general support to groups and organisations which encourage opportunities for individuals and communities to participate in community focused, cultural and recreational activities.

**3. Other options considered and rejected:**

- 3.1 Allocating partnership funding at higher and lower levels.
- 3.2. Allocating no partnership funding at all.

**4. Conflicts of interest:**

- 4.1. None.

**5. Dispensation granted by the Conduct Advisory Panel: none.**

**6. Reason(s) for the matter being dealt with if urgent: not applicable.**

**7. Statement from the Decision Maker:**

<b>Approved by:</b>	<b>Date:</b>
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<b>Executive Member for Culture, Recreation and Countryside Councillor Andrew Gibson</b>	