

STOCKSBRIDGE TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the Finance Committee of the Town Council, held in the Council Chamber, Stocksbridge Town Hall, The ARC on Tuesday, 3rd March 2020

PRESENT: Cllr. A Law (Chair), Cllrs. C Ward, R Crowther, J Staniforth, J Grocutt, M Whittaker, and M Milton

IN ATTENDANCE: Paul Costello – 93rd Sheffield (3rd Stocksbridge) Scout Group – Item 4

1. Chairman's Remarks and Apologies for Absence
Apologies for Absence were received from Cllr. S Abrahams.
2. Exclusion of Press and Public
There were no items for exclusion of Press and Public.
3. Declarations of Interest
Cllr. Staniforth declared an interest in Item 4(a).
4. Grant Applications
 - a) 93rd Sheffield (3rd Stocksbridge) Scout Group
The Chairman welcomed Paul Costello who had been invited in order to provide more information to members with respect to the grant application from the 93rd Sheffield (3rd Stocksbridge) Scout Group for funding assistance towards maintenance of the building/improved access and provision of more activities for the young people attending. Cllr Ward noted a meeting she was to arrange with both scouting groups in the area with a view to utilizing the facility at the Youth Centre. It was agreed to defer this grant application until after that meeting had taken place.
 - b) Valley Music Festival
Members considered a grant application from Valley Music Festival requesting funding assistance towards the Valley Music Festival event 2020.
Proposed by Cllr. Grocutt, seconded by Cllr. Crowther and
RESOLVED:- That a grant of £550 be awarded to Valley Music Festival for funding assistance towards this year's Valley Music Festival event.
 - c) Stocksbridge Christian Centre Lunch Club
Members considered a grant application from Stocksbridge Christian Centre Lunch Club for a transport grant towards the costs of members attending the Lunch Club who travel by community transport.
Proposed by Cllr. Grocutt, seconded by Cllr Ward and
RESOLVED:- That a grant of £300 be awarded to Stocksbridge Christian Centre Lunch Club for assistance with community transport costs for members attending the Lunch Club.
 - d) Steel Valley Beacon Arts
Members considered a grant application from Steel Valley Beacon Arts requesting funding assistance towards the group.
Proposed by Cllr. Law and seconded by Cllr Ward and
RESOLVED:- That the group be informed that the grant application is not specific to a project but for more general reserves for the group, therefore it was not deemed to be within the criteria of the grants policy.
 - e) Stocksbridge & District History Society
Members considered a grant application from Stocksbridge & District History Society requesting funding assistance towards the purchase of micro polyester sleeves to house the map collection held by the Society which are becoming damaged through usage.
Proposed by Cllr. Milton, seconded by Cllr. Staniforth and
RESOLVED:- That a grant of £580 be awarded to Stocksbridge & District History Society for funding assistance towards the purchase of micro polyester sleeves to house the map collection held by the Society.

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f) STEP Development Trust

Members considered a grant application from STEP Development Trust requesting funding assistance towards a celebration event for the 75th Anniversary of VE Day, open to all local residents.

Proposed by Cllr. Crowther, seconded by Cllr. Grocutt and

RESOLVED:- That a grant of £2,000 be awarded to STEP Development Trust as funding assistance towards a celebration event for the 75th Anniversary of VE Day, open to all local residents.

5. SLLP Community Grant Applications

a) Friends of Oxley Park

Members considered a grant application from the Friends of Oxley Park Group requesting funding assistance towards a Summer Solstice Celebration, a festival celebrating Stocksbridge's cultural heritage with local residents and visitors.

Proposed by Cllr. Grocutt, seconded by Cllr. Crowther and

RESOLVED:- That a grant of £2,100 be awarded to Friends of Oxley Park, from the SLLP Community Grant scheme, for funding towards a Summer Solstice Celebration, a festival celebrating Stocksbridge's cultural heritage with local residents and visitors.

6. Accounts for Payment

There were no Accounts for Payment.

7. Summary of Bad Debts

The Clerk updated members on the situation in respect of Room 9, Select Futures Planning.

8. Visit to Parliament

Cllr Ward informed members of the invitation from Miriam Cates MP to the Chairs and office staff of the 3 Parish/Town Councils to attend Westminster for a visit around the Parliament building followed by a meeting with Miriam Cates to discuss local issues.

There being no further business the meeting closed.