

# **BUCKINGHAM TOWN COUNCIL**

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RESOURCES

Councillor,

You are summoned to a meeting of the **Resources Committee** of Buckingham Town Council to be held on **Monday 31**st **January 2022** at 7pm in the Council Chamber, Cornwalls Meadow, Buckingham.

Please note that the meeting will be preceded by a Public Session in accordance with Standing Orders 3.e and 3.f, which will last for a maximum of 15 minutes. Members of the public can attend the meeting in person. The Council is trialling the use of video conferencing to enable the public and guests to address Council meetings virtually. If you would like to address the meeting in this way, please email committeeclerk@buckinghamtc.gov.uk or call 01280 816426 for details.

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Mr. P. Hodson Town Clerk

#### **AGENDA**

# 1. Apologies for Absence

Members are asked to receive apologies from Members.

#### 2. Declarations of Interest

To receive declarations of any personal or prejudicial interest under consideration on this agenda in accordance with the Localism Act 2011 Sections 26-34 & Schedule 4.

### 3. Annual Community Grants

- 3.1. To receive and discuss a written report from the Communications Clerk recommending four year grant awards for 2022/23
  R/95/21
- 3.2. To receive and discuss a written report from the Communications Clerk recommending annual one year grant awards for 2022/26
  R/96/21



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#### 4. Chair's Announcements

5. Date of next meeting: 14th March 2022

#### To:

Cllr. Mrs. G. Collins Cllr. M. Gateley (Town Mayor) Cllr. J. Harvey Cllr. H. Mordue Cllr. Mrs. O'Donoghue Cllr. A. Ralph Cllr. R. Stuchbury Cllr. M. Try

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# **Buckingham Town Council**

# Resources Committee Meeting 31<sup>st</sup> January 2022

## Four Year Grants 2022/26

Officer: Paul Hodson Town Clerk

## 1. Recommendations:

1.1. It is **RECOMMENDED** that the four year and one year grants budgets are changed from the current budget of:

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Budget	Amount
Annual Grants	11,341
Four Year Grants	18,777
Total Expenditure	30.118

to:

Budget	Amount
Annual Grants	10,795
Four Year Grants	19323
Total Expenditure	30,118

# 1.2. It is **RECOMMENDED** that the following four year grants are awarded for 2022/26:

Organisation	2022	2023	2024	2025	TOTAL
Citizens Advice Bucks	5,750	5,951	6,160	6,375	24,236
Buckingham Youth Clubs	5,200	5,382	5,570	5,765	21,917
Chandos Park Bowls Club	1,000	1,035	1,071	1,109	4,215
Buckingham Fairtrade Steering Group	373	386	400	414	1,573
Buckingham Old Gaol Trust	5,000	5,175	5,356	5,544	21,075
Chandos Park Tennis Club	1,500	1,553	1,607	1,663	6,323
Project Street Life	500	518	536	554	2,108
TOTAL	19,323	19,999	20,699	21,424	81,445

# 2. Background

- 2.1. The Town Council carried out a grants review in 2020. The Council agreed a number of recommendations, including:
  - 2.1.1. Invite those regularly receiving annual grants or funding currently to apply for four-year funding, including Voluntary, Community and Social enterprise organisations that we currently support through other grant funding avenues.
  - 2.1.2. Change three year grants onto a four-year system, starting in April 2022. All new long term grants to have a Grant Award Agreement.
  - 2.1.3. The funding currently provided to the following organisations to be moved to the grants budget, and each organisation invited to apply for a grant: Tennis Club, Chandos Park Bowls Club, Buckingham Community Centre, Literary Festival, Summer Festival, Fairtrade Association. (370/20)
  - 2.2. Nine requests for financial assistance have been received by Buckingham Town Council for four year grants for the 2022/26 financial years.
- 2.3. One year grants are excluded from this paper and presented in report R/96/21
- 2.4. This report provides recommendations for the allocation of four year grants for 2022/26, based on the Town Council's criteria for grant giving:
  - Grants will only be considered for projects and activities beneficial to the people of the civil parish of Buckingham.
  - Grant recipients must be based in the civil parish of Buckingham or provide evidence of the percentage of the work that directly benefits Buckingham residents.
  - Only not-for-profit bodies will be considered for a grant.
- 2.4 It was **AGREED** at the 17<sup>th</sup> January 2022 Precept meeting of the Full Council that the total grants budgets for 2022/23 would be:
- 2.5. Current Budget

Budget	Amount
Annual Grants	11,341
Four Year Grants	18,777
Total Expenditure	30,118

- 2.6. However, in light of the grant applications received, it is proposed to swap some of the funds allocated for one year grants to the four year grants budget, as below. This would still mean that the same overall figure has budgeted for grants for 2022/23:
- 2.7. Proposed Budget

Budget	Amount
Annual Grants	10,795
Four Year Grants	19,323
Total Expenditure	30,118

# 3. Four Year Funding Recommendations

3.1. It is recommended to make the following four year grant funding awards, a total of £19,323. In line with the 5-year budget agreed by Full Council a 3.5% uplift has been added to the proposed amounts each year.

Organisation	Requested	Recommended 2022	Description	Summary of Reason
Citizens Advice Bucks	5,750	5,750	Running costs of Buckingham office	Valid application
Buckingham Youth Clubs	5,200	5,200	Towards Staff Costs	Valid application
Chandos Park Bowls Club	1,000	1,000	Maintenance of bowls green	Valid application
Buckingham Fairtrade Steering Group	373	373	Promotion of Fairtrade in community	Valid application
Buckingham Old Gaol Trust	6,000	5,000	Staff costs, running costs	Valid application – insufficient funds available to grant full amount
Chandos Park Tennis Club	4,000	1,500	LED floodlighting	Valid application – amount reduced due to high reserves
Project Street Life	2,125	500	Residential weekend for 16 young people	Valid application – amount reduced due to location
TOTAL	24,448	19,323		

# 4. Ineligible applications

Organisation	Requested	Recommended	Description	Summary of Reason
Buckingham Table	1,625	0	Maintenance of Santa Van	Insufficient public benefit for the amount requested
Florence Nightingale Hospice	3,644	0	Hospice @ Home service	High reserves

### **Buckingham Town Council**

# Resources Committee Meeting 31st January 2022

#### One Year Grants 2022/23

Officer: Paul Hodson Town Clerk

#### 1. Recommendation:

1.1. It is **RECOMMENDED** that the following one year grants are awarded for 2022/23:

Organisation	Recommended
Transitions UK	2,000
Buckingham Parish Church	324
Buckingham United Football Club	1,000
Buckingham Town Cricket Club	1,500
West End Bowls Club	1,000
Swan Community Hub	1,380
Buckingham Summer Festival	2,000
Buckingham & District Angling Association	623
Lace Hill Residents' Association	968
TOTAL	10,795

# 2. Background:

- 2.1. One year grants totalling £14,935 were awarded in 2021/22. Ten requests for financial assistance have been received by Buckingham Town Council for one year grants for the 2022/23 financial year. This is around the usual number, with some previous annual applicants having applied for four year funding this year.
- 2.2. One year grants are provided in addition to those agreed for a four-year term, which are excluded from this paper and presented in report **R/95/21**
- 2.3. This report provides recommendations for the allocation of one year grants for 2022/23, based on the Town Council's criteria for grant giving:
  - Grants will only be considered for projects and activities beneficial to the people of the civil parish of Buckingham.
  - Grant recipients must be based in the civil parish of Buckingham or provide evidence of the percentage of the work that directly benefits Buckingham residents.
  - Only not-for-profit bodies will be considered for a grant.

3. One Year Funding Recommendations3.1. It is recommended to make the following one year grant funding awards:

# 3.2 First time applicants

Organisation	Requested	Recommended	Description	Summary of
Transitions			Aspire Partnership	Reason Valid application
UK	2,000	2,000	Project (Buckingham Hub) – mentoring for young people at risk of offending.	vaни аррнсанон
Buckingham Parish Church	324	324	Jubilee Beacon	Valid application

# 3.3 Previous applicants

Organisation	Requested	Recommended	Description	Summary of Reason
Buckingham United Football Club	1,000	1,000	Club training equipment	Valid application
Buckingham Town Cricket Club	1,500	1,500	Roof mounted solar panel electricity installation	Valid application
West End Bowls Club	1,000	1,000	Flood Defence	Valid application
Swan Community Hub	1,380	1,380	Swan Community Hub	Valid application
Buckingham Summer Festival	2,000	2,000	Festival Gala Concert	Valid application
Buckingham & District Angling Association	2,180	623	"Accessible for all" fishing platform	Valid application – amount reduced due to location
Lace Hill Residents' Association	1,000	968	Community Spirit	Valid application – amount reduced to reflect quoted costs

TOTAL for all	12,384	10,795	
recommended			
grant awards			

# 4. Ineligible application

Organisation	Requested	Recommended	Description	Reason
Slade Recreation Club	£1000	£0	Replacement of fire door and frame.	Application inconsistent and too similar to previous year.