

Report of	Meeting	Date
Chief Executive (Introduced by the Executive Member for Early Intervention)	Executive Member Decision	18 September 2018

ALLOCATION OF SMALL COMMUNITY GRANT FUNDING 2018/19

PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. This report is provided for the Executive Member for Community Services to consider and approve the allocation of Small Community Grant Funding for 2018/19.

RECOMMENDATIONS

2. That the recommendations at paragraph 12 be approved, subject to agreeing and signing grant agreements with the organisations listed.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY OF REPORT

3. This report presents the allocation for 2018/19 of Small Community Grant Funding for approval by the Executive Member for Community Services.

Confidential report Please bold as appropriate	Yes	No
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Key Decision? Please bold as appropriate	Yes	No
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Reason	1, a change in service provision that impacts upon the service revenue budget by £100,000 or more	2, a contract worth £100,000 or more	
Please bold as appropriate	3, a new or unprogrammed capital scheme of £100,000 or more	4, Significant impact in environmental, social or physical terms in two or more wards	

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION(S)

(If the recommendations are accepted)

4. To provide Small Community Grant Funding to allow local voluntary, community and faith sector organisations to deliver services in the borough which contribute towards the Chorley Council priorities.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED

5. Not to award these organisations with the grant as requested.

CORPORATE PRIORITIES

6. This report relates to the following Strategic Objectives:

Involving residents in improving their local area and equality of access for all	x	A strong local economy	х
Clean, safe and healthy homes and communities		An ambitious council that does more to meet the needs of residents and the local area	х

BACKGROUND

- 7. Chorley Council recognises the valuable role that voluntary, community and faith groups play in enhancing the life of people in Chorley. The provision of small community funding provides a route to enable these organisations to make this delivery possible, where other funding provision may not be available.
- 8. Following previous year evaluation regards the funding approach; it was agreed for 2018/19 we return to a limited timeframe of applications being made to the funding available.
- 9. An annual funding budget of £5000 was allocated to support these grants.
- 10. The application process for the allocation of Small Community Funding 2018/19 opened on 11 May 2018 for a period of eight weeks.
- 11. Fifty Nine (59) applications were received by the closing date on 6th July 2018.
- 12. An evaluation team assessed and evaluated the applications against the criteria, and recommendations were made to fund a total of 22 applications in full or in part. These applications demonstrated clear alignment with the brief in terms of a well scoped project and defined outcomes in relation to council priorities.

Organisation	Amount Funded
Chorley Boxing Club	£280
1st Adlington Senior Girl Guiding Section	£150
Chorley Community First Responders	£500
4th St Peters Guides	£255
Chorley Heritage Centre Support Group	£240
St Peters Church Lads and Girls Brigade	£375
Crohns and Colitis Support Group	£100
Chorley District Explorer Scouts	£282
Lancashire TAAG	£200
Friends for You Adlington	£60
Pauline's Angels	£500
Sewing, Laughs and Crafts	£200
Eccleston Crocket Club	£200
Chorley Couch to 5K	£100

	Total Funding	£5162
Tech Care		£200
Coppull St John & Coppull Parish Playgroup		£350
Chorley Safe Space		£185
Sightseekers	£300	
Adlington Scout Group	£260	
Chorley and Leyland MS Socie	£25	
Chorley Silver Band	£200	
16 th Chorley St Joseph's Guide	£200	

- 13. Appropriate monitoring will be undertaken for each of the successful applicants relevant to the level of funding provided.
- 14. The organisations which were unsuccessful in securing funding will be offered further support to enable them to explore alternative funding sources.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- 15. The recommendations include 22 grants for approval.
- 16. If these recommendations are approved, grant agreements will be developed and monitored at conclusion.
- 17. Grant agreements will include a clause stating the necessity for funding to be used in Chorley and for the benefit of Chorley residents.

IMPLICATIONS OF REPORT

18. This report has implications in the following areas and the relevant Directors' comments are included:

Finance	~	Customer Services	
Human Resources		Equality and Diversity	
Legal	✓	Integrated Impact Assessment required?	
No significant implications in this area		Policy and Communications	

COMMENTS OF THE STATUTORY FINANCE OFFICER

19. The allocation of small grants as outlined in this report can be contained within the budget allocation.

COMMENTS OF THE MONITORING OFFICER

20. The Grant awards are made in accordance with agreed processes.

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Following careful consideration and assessment of the contents of this report, I approve the recommendation(s) contained in Paragraph 2 of the report in accordance with my delegated power to make executive decisions.

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_ Dated _ 18/9/18

Councillor Beverley Murray Executive Member for Community Services