

**A MEETING OF THE GRANTS SUB-BOARD**

**WAS HELD ON 24 FEBRUARY 2010**

The Mayor (Councillor Mrs Searle) (ex-officio), Councillors Ms Ballard (P), Mrs Cully, Dickson (P), Geddes (P), Hook (P) and Mrs Mudie.

It was reported that in accordance with Standing Orders, Councillor Cully had been nominated to replace Councillor Mrs Cully for this meeting.

**22. APOLOGIES**

Apologies for inability to attend the meeting were submitted on behalf of The Mayor (Councillor Mrs Searle) and Councillors Mrs Cully and Mrs Mudie.

**23. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

**24. MINUTES**

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the meeting held on 19 November 2009 be approved and signed by the Chairman as a true and correct record.

**25. DEPUTATIONS**

There were no deputations.

**26. PUBLIC QUESTIONS**

There were no public questions.

**PART II**

**27. REVENUE GRANT AID APPLICATIONS**

The Sub-Board considered the joint report of the Financial Services Manager and Leisure & Cultural Services Manager (a copy of which is attached in the Minute Book as Appendix 'A') concerning a number of applications for Revenue Grant Aid.

**(i) Jacobs Well Family Church**

Consideration was given to an application for £1300 in grant aid towards the overall cost of £2700 towards the total cost of converting a garden area into allotments.

Members agreed to award the amount requested.

**(ii) Relate Portsmouth and District**

Consideration was given to an application for £5000 in grant aid towards the overall estimated cost of funding for the organisation for 2010-2011.

The organisation was represented by Rachel Warsop who outlined its work in support of the application.

Attention was drawn to the fact that the Sub-Board had awarded £5000 to this organisation in June 2009 and Ms Warsop confirmed that the funding now applied for related to next financial year. The Chairman advised that revenue funding for next financial year could not yet be committed. It was proposed and agreed that the application be deferred until the first meeting of the Sub-Board in the next financial year i.e. 23 June 2010.

**(iii) Hearts on Fire for Jesus**

Consideration was given to an application for £760 in grant aid towards the cost of running an XL schools project.

The organisation was represented by Aron Carr who advised that XL schools project involved 14 schools and 2000 young people who were offered support for a variety of life skills and given the opportunity to discuss sex, drugs and decision making to help them to be properly equipped for relationships.

Members felt the project to be worthwhile but did not come under the remit of the Sub-Board and that assistance should be more appropriately sought from the education authority. The organisation had applied for funding from Youth Opportunity Funding.

Members agreed that, in the circumstances, no grant should be paid to this organisation.

**(iv) Let Us Play Scheme**

Consideration was given to an application for £2000 grant aid towards the estimated cost of £8000 towards ISA and CRB checks.

Members took the view that the organisation was currently in a healthy financial position and was not in need of grant aid from the Council.

**(v) Turning the Tides Charity Swim**

Consideration was given to an application for £960 in grant aid towards the overall estimated cost of £1920 for a charity solo swim across the Gibraltar Straits.

The organisation was represented by Anna Wardley who provided details of the project for which grant aid was being requested.

Members supported the application and decided to award the full amount requested.

**(vi) Gosport Sharks Network Scouts**

Consideration was given to an application for £500 in grant aid towards the overall estimated cost of £1715 towards a 10 day expedition to L'Aquila.

The organisation was represented by Nadine Cooke who provided details of the project for which grant aid was being requested.

Members supported the application and decided to award the full amount requested.

**(vii) Duke of Edinburgh Gosport and Fareham Local Committee**

Consideration was given to an application for £1170 towards the cost of a 2 day intermediate first aid course, a 4 day training course, a 4 day assessment, the award presentation, expedition costs for Gold Award groups and subsidy for expedition equipment for new and expanding award groups.

The committee was represented by Ian Backhouse who provided the background to the reason for the application.

Members agreed to award the full amount requested.

**(viii) Lloyd Vine Leisure Fitness Centre**

Consideration was given to an application for £1138 towards an overall estimated cost of £2277 for the World Power lifting Champion to attend the European and World Championships.

The Centre was represented by Dean Bowring, the individual member concerned, who provided details of the costs associated with reaching and maintaining his current level in powerlifting.

Members felt that an award of £475 should be made towards Mr Bowring's participation in the European Championships in May 2010 and that a further application should be considered at the first meeting of the Sub-Board in the

2010/11 financial year for grant aid towards his participation in the defence of his world title in November 2010.

RESOLVED: That:

- (i) a grant of £1300 be paid to Jacobs Well Family Church ;
- (ii) the application from Relate Portsmouth and District be deferred until the first meeting of the Sub-Board in the 2010/11 financial year;
- (iii) no grant be paid to Hearts on Fire for Jesus ;
- (iv) no grant be paid to Let Us Play Scheme ;
- (v) a grant of £960 be paid to Turning the Tide Charity Swims;
- (vi) a grant of £500 be paid to Gosport Sharks Network Scouts;
- (vii) a grant of £1170 be paid to Duke of Edinburgh Gosport and Fareham Local Award Committee; and
- (viii) a grant of £475 be paid to Lloyd Vine Leisure Fitness Centre's Individual Member for the European Power Lifting Championships in May 2010 and that a further application be considered at the first meeting of the Sub-Board in the financial year 2010/11 for the World Title defence in November 2010.

## **28. CAPITAL GRANT AID APPLICATIONS**

The Sub-Board considered the joint report of the Financial Services Manager and Leisure & Cultural Services Manager (a copy of which is attached in the Minute Book as Appendix 'B') concerning an application for Capital Grant Aid.

### **6<sup>th</sup> Gosport Scout Group**

Consideration was given to an application for £2000 in Capital Grant Aid towards the overall £9020 for the replacement of the roof of the Scout Group Head Quarters at Acorn Close, Rowner.

The Scout Group was represented by Nikki Oakley who advised that grant was being sought towards the cost of replacing the existing roof to its Head Quarters hut. An application for grant aid had also been made to Hampshire County Council.

All the children involved in the Scout Group lived in the Gosport area.

Members agreed to award the full amount requested.

RESOLVED: That a grant of £2000 be paid to 6<sup>th</sup> Gosport Scout Group.

The meeting concluded at 6.45pm.

**CHAIRMAN**