

| 1 | APPLICANT | SUMMARY |
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| | New Forest Heritage Centre | The free entry New Forest Heritage Centre is the only museum dedicated to the social and natural history of the New Forest. Their aim is to inspire visitors to explore and value the New Forest by collecting, conserving, and interpreting collections and by providing educational activities and information to children, young people and adults visiting the Forest and living in the community. The Centre includes an accredited Museum, Reference Library, which preserves historical artefacts, shop, and Exhibition Gallery. The Education Team run year-round exhibitions and events programme, for example a Year in the New Forest aimed at school children. |

| Last Year's Request | Last Year's Award | Request |
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| £10,000 | £5,000 | £10,000 |

RECOMMENDATION:

That no grant be given.

REASON FOR DECISION:

The Group took into consideration the work of the Heritage Trust but on reviewing the financial situation, the Heritage Trust appeared to be in receipt of substantial grant funding from other organisations and is financially secure at this moment in time. Therefore, the Group considered the limited funding available, the number of grants received, often working directly with vulnerable groups, and considered that this is regrettably not a current priority at this time.

| 2 | APPLICANT | SUMMARY |
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| | Community First Wessex | Community First Wessex (CFW) provides support across the whole of the voluntary sector in the New Forest with the aim to create a thriving and successful voluntary sector. This involves activities such as DBS checks, training, funding advice, volunteer recruitment and assistance with setting up and operating groups, building the voluntary sector capacity. With its work in training and operating the volunteer centre and volunteer placement, it also contributes to routes to work. It also acts as a representative voice for the sector and is involved in many working groups across the district. CFW works in partnership with many organisations to deliver a range of projects that support residents. |

| Last Year's Request | Last Year's Award | Request |
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| £35,000 | £35,000 | £35,000 |

RECOMMENDATION:

That a grant of £35,000 be given.

REASON FOR DECISION:

CFW contributes to the Council's priorities by supporting organisations through working with many groups, including to support long-term unemployed, young carers, training, and skill development, advising groups on economic development, mental health and delivering services digitally. The Group were pleased to hear that CFW worked with numerous organisations and helped groups secure £135,000 in grants. CFW has continued to work closely with the council throughout the pandemic, via the Local Response Centre and in supporting existing and new

groups to support the vulnerable. CFW has contributed in Community Engagement conversations and the Group recognised the improved working relationship with CFW and discussions with Officers have already begun on developing this further to support our communities, including loneliness, economic hardship and digital inclusion.

| 3 | APPLICANT | SUMMARY |
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| | Community First Wessex | The Healthy Walks programme is a partnership between the National Park, NFDC and CFW and delivers walks at locations across the district. The walks are available to all levels and those with a disability. |

| Last Year's Request | Last Year's Award | Request |
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| £5,000 | £2,500 | £2,500 |

RECOMMENDATION:

That no grant be given.

REASON FOR DECISION:

The Healthy Walks Scheme supports the Council's priorities by assisting the wellbeing of people whilst protecting the character of the area. The scheme works with others, e.g. Dementia support and GP's. The scheme is a partnership between the Council, Community First Wessex and the National Park Authority and is an important delivery programme for the council. The recommendation is to decline the request from the Community Grants fund but funding for this scheme will be met through other appropriate health related funding sources this year.

| 4 | APPLICANT | SUMMARY |
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| | Acts4Sharing | Acts4Sharing are a Christian charity based in Ringwood that provide home furnishings, clothing, white goods from donations to vulnerable households at no cost, usually via referral from the Council, Citizens Advice, Social Workers and local schools. In 2020 they supported 352 individuals (30% being New Forest residents). |

| Last Year's Request | Last Year's Award | Request |
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| £N/A | £N/A | £6,000 |

RECOMMENDATION:

That a grant of £3,000 be given.

REASON FOR DECISION:

The Group recognised that Acts 4 Sharing works in partnership with NFDC Housing and Homelessness teams, and with other local organisations, and receive referrals from Citizens Advice New Forest and Community First. The Group were supportive of future plans to run "skill sharing" activities and recommended further promotion of the organisation to support more vulnerable residents across the district with increased referrals, and to seek additional funding streams.

| 5 | APPLICANT | SUMMARY |
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| | Yellow Door | Yellow Door provides a range of integrated specialist services, advocacy, and therapeutic support to those who are at risk of or who have been affected by unwanted Sexual Experience or Domestic Abuse. This may include anything from rape, childhood sexual abuse, sexual assault to harassment, coercion, or domestic abuse. The group covers the New Forest, Southampton and Eastleigh areas and works |

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| | | with the police, schools, and other organisations within the district, such as the Handy Trust. Yellow Door provide therapeutic support, advocacy, impartial advice, and information, and runs the STAR project which will be delivering bespoke workshops in collaboration with others on the impact of drugs and alcohol, image-based abuse, and abusive relationships. |
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| Last Year's Request | Last Year's Award | Request |
| £5,000 | £5,000 | £5,000 |

RECOMMENDATION:

That a grant of £5,000 be given.

REASON FOR DECISION:

Yellow door supports the Council's priorities by delivering outcomes for the community and working with others to achieve more. It works with families offering support to those affected by abuse, and running preventative education programmes to raise awareness of these issues, such as STOP Domestic Abuse. Demand for its services is increasing and Yellow Door worked with young people as part of its STAR project. As part of the funding agreement Yellow Door have extended their work with schools in the District and have worked with 600 students in a number of schools across the district. The group was pleased to note the organisation's continued involvement with the Safer New Forest and that the grant is used solely for the benefit of the New Forest.

| 6 | APPLICANT | SUMMARY |
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| | Youth & Families Matter | Youth and Families Matter (YFM) is a small charity that works from the heart of the community in Totton to improve the health and wellbeing of children, young people and families whose lives are complex and impacted by many forms of disadvantage, mental illness, serious illness, addiction or abuse. Support can be intensive one-to-one, or the charity targets support, works closely with schools and with other organisations, signposts and provides a foodbank service and support to vulnerable households. |

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| Last Year's Request | Last Year's Award | Request |
| £15,000 | £7,500 | £10,000 |

RECOMMENDATION:

That a grant of £10,000 be given.

REASON FOR DECISION:

YFM met the Council's objectives by assisting in the wellbeing of local people and supporting circa 350 families, through working with young people and families at risk by a combination of over 1,000 hours of one-to-one support, courses, activities and early intervention. YFM actively works with partner groups, including the family support service, social workers, schools, doctors, and the Police, and is part of the Early Help Hub and provides course for vulnerable families. YFM also actively supports the Safer New Forest community safety objectives. YFM adapted their service delivery due to the pandemic, supporting the lonely and vulnerable. YFM continue to run the foodbank, supporting over 1,500 adults and 1,177 children with emergency food supplies, and supports the Food Larder, with 30-40 households being supported each week.

| 7 | APPLICANT | SUMMARY |
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| | The Green Gram | The Green Gram is a new charity working to become a Community Benefit Society by opening a community refill shop in Fordingbridge to enable residents to purchase everyday food and household supplies without single use packaging and reusing their own containers. The Green Gram is part of the Fordingbridge Greener Living Group. The aim is to reduce food waste, increase recycling and reducing the environmental impact. |

| Last Year's Request | Last Year's Award | Request |
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| £N/A | £N/A | £8,000 |

RECOMMENDATION:

That no grant be given.

REASON FOR DECISION:

The Group were supportive of the Green Gram's vision and environmental impact but did not feel able to support the application as the application had changed at interview stage from a revenue bid of £22,000 for a paid member of staff, to a capital application. The capital items were not eligible. The business has yet to be established, it is a commercial venture and the business case has yet to be fully developed. The Group recommend reapplying once established.

| 8 | APPLICANT | SUMMARY |
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| | Forest Arts Centre | Forest Arts Centre is part of FOLIO, a collaboration of arts and heritage organisations, and provides a leading venue for quality live music, comedy, theatre, arts, activities, and events based in New Milton and has an extensive outreach programme. The Centre is operated by Hampshire Cultural Trust and works with other centres as part of an overall strategy to introduce new projects and opportunities, focusing on arts, health, and families. The Centre's priorities include providing high quality arts and cultural programming and community benefit and wellbeing and targets working with schools, adults with learning disabilities, working with older people with long term conditions such as dementia or Parkinson's disease which has produced excellent outcomes. They have also worked hard to ensure that residents from more deprived backgrounds are not excluded from the programmes on offer. |

| Last Year's Request | Last Year's Award | Request |
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| £15,000 | £15,000 | £15,000 |

RECOMMENDATION:

That a grant of £15,000 be given.

REASON FOR DECISION:

Forest Arts contributes to the Council's priorities by helping local business grow by supporting artists and attracting visitors to the area, and service outcomes for the community with events, activities and projects. The venue also seeks to provide accessible and affordable space for hire, host activities and events, offering opportunities to showcase artistic output at affordable process. Forest Arts seeks to improve mental and physical wellbeing, for example Dance for Parkinson's, veterans project, and teenage mental health. Forest Arts works in partnership with Folio, local schools and other groups, such as New Milton Men's Shed, and seeks to develop outreach work.

Funding from other organisations has reduced significantly over the years and income generation is being reviewed from the impact of the pandemic. The grant is ring-fenced to the Centre, ensuring our residents benefit.

| 9 | APPLICANT | SUMMARY |
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| | New Forest Disability Information Service | New Forest Disability provides specialised, free, impartial, and confidential disability related information, advice, and guidance. They help anyone of any age with any disability who lives or works within the New Forest area. NFDIS hold the Advice Quality Standard with Casework in Welfare Benefits, and are the only organisation within the New Forest that support and represent the most vulnerable disabled clients at welfare benefit tribunals. NFDIS specialise in providing mobility aids, daily living equipment and home adaptations, collaborating with community and other organisations to help people maximise their wellbeing and live safely and as independently as possible in their own home. |

| Last Year's Request | Last Year's Award | Request |
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| £12,500 | £12,500 | £18,500 |

RECOMMENDATION:

That a grant of £18,500 be given, funded through the CEV budget.

REASON FOR DECISION:

NFDIS is the only organisation of its kind in the district and provides an essential service to the vulnerable in the face of ever-increasing demand and supports the council in many ways, including with the Just Got Home and Independence Matters projects. NFDIS have adapted due to the pandemic and continue to provide their service, supporting over 9,000 people in 2021, despite increased costs, such as ICT, and reduced income from fund raising. The grant will enable the team to expand and train more volunteers, and undertake further outreach work, including home visits, and deal with the increased number of casework they are handling. NFDIS actively works with other groups, such as Citizens Advice and Foodbanks to support those in the community and The Group fully appreciated the valuable work of the service.

| 10 | APPLICANT | SUMMARY |
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| | Hammersley Homes | Hammersley Homes aims to provide supported living accommodation for vulnerable adults with mental illness so that they can live independently. They also provide an outreach programme through their "Care Pods" and aim to keep people out of hospital by providing support in their own home. To date Hammersley Homes has supported 50 adults and receive referrals from other groups, including Citizens Advice. |

| Last Year's Request | Last Year's Award | Request |
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| £N/A | £N/A | £20,000 |

RECOMMENDATION:

That no grant be given.

REASON FOR DECISION:

The Group supported Hammersley Homes ambitions and aims but as the initiative is still in its infancy, with further development to come, the Group recommends monitoring the working

relationship with the Council over the coming months and encourages Hammersley Homes to reapply for a grant.

| 11 | APPLICANT | SUMMARY |
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| | Handy Trust | The Handy Trust provides full youth support services to children and young people aged up to 25, 365 days of the year. They work in the Waterside area offering a 24/7 service at home, in school and in the community, and provide holiday clubs and run youth clubs. They work with children and young people from families who are experiencing poverty and hardship, which can include mental health, domestic violence, and substance misuse, and support young people into work. The Handy Trust actively works with other agencies, including the Council on matters such as mental health and homelessness. |

| Last Year's Request | Last Year's Award | Current request |
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| £5,000 | £5,000 | £7,000 |

RECOMMENDATION:

That a grant of £7,000 be given.

REASON FOR DECISION:

The Handy Trust contributes to the Council's objectives by assisting the wellbeing of young people on the Waterside and support those in crisis. They will continue to engage with and support young people into work, provide free holiday clubs during school holidays to vulnerable families and youth clubs, which will also aim to provide new opportunities to build self-esteem and confidence, and work with those suffering from anxiety. It actively works closely with a number of partnership agencies, including Families Matter, to provide holistic support, and with Children's service, police, and schools on a variety of issues, including anti-social behaviour. The Handy Trust do lunchtime drop ins at schools and supported 100 young persons. The Group recognised the value of the grant and the huge work and outcomes achieved by The Handy Trust.

| 12 | APPLICANT | SUMMARY |
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| | Home Start Hampshire | Home Start Hampshire operate across the county, including all of the New Forest, to provide support to families with children aged between 0 and 11 to enable the "best possible start in life". This includes providing free and confidential emotional and practical support to parents with young children with challenging and complex needs, including behavioural, and mental health, to build resilience and independence through home-based visits. Home Start work with other groups and has seen an increase in referral within the district. |

| Last Year's Request | Last Year's Award | Request |
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| £N/A | £N/A | £30,000 |

RECOMMENDATION:

That a grant of £10,000 be given.

REASON FOR DECISION:

The Group support the work of Home Start Hampshire and their target of supporting 70 families, recognising that 74% of families felt better able to cope following intervention and support, and its various support groups inclusion new mums. The Group were pleased to hear that Home Start Hampshire will be working with other groups, providing drop-ins but due to limited funding

available and the number and range of applications received, the Group were unable to recommend the full grant award applied for.

| 13 | APPLICANT | SUMMARY |
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| | It's Your Choice | It's Your Choice is based in Totton and is a charity that works with 11 to 25 year olds across the New Forest with targeted support and free and confidential counselling services. They run workshops in schools and run employment, education and training projects and cover a range of issues including sexual health, relationships, drugs and alcohol, self-harm, benefits, bullying, anxiety, and suicide. It's Your Choice work with other groups and agencies, including schools, GP's, Probation, Adult Mental Health, and the police. |

| Last Year's Request | Last Year's Award | Request |
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| £N/A | £N/A | £30,413 |

RECOMMENDATION:

That a grant of £20,000 be given.

REASON FOR DECISION:

The Group value the work It's Your Choice undertake across the district in supporting vulnerable children and young adults, including the focused intervention, counselling and wellbeing and practical support. The Group recognise the impact the pandemic has had on mental health and that It's Your Choice responded, utilising phone, texts, zoom and WhatsApp, and to support 1,362 clients between April 2020 and September 2021, and provided 210 counselling sessions since April 2021. Demand for their service is increasing and the grant funding will be targeted at a Youth Worker to provide targeted support.

| 14 | APPLICANT | SUMMARY |
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| | MHA Communities New Forest | MHA Communities New Forest support 165 older people across the New Forest and is part of the national group, Methodist Homes Association, which provides community support. MHA Communities is a service which through befriending and social activity bring people together to reduce isolation and loneliness. Activities include day trips, Food Fairy initiative, activity booklets, and welfare calls and members receive birthday cards and phone calls. |

| Last Year's Request | Last Year's Award | Request |
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| £N/A | £N/A | £16,000 |

RECOMMENDATION:

That no grant be given.

REASON FOR DECISION:

The Group acknowledge the work of MHA, especially the support given during the pandemic, but the application is to fund a member of staff, provided match funding is achieved, and funding part of the application will not enable the project to be fulfilled. The Group felt that due to limited funding available and the number and range of applications received, the Group were unable to make an award.

| 15 | APPLICANT | SUMMARY |
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| | Milton Heritage Society | Milton Heritage Centre aims to collect together photographs, maps, postcards, and other documents which tell the story of Milton, as well as providing displays and talks. They are planning a heritage centre in the Station Masters House, as part of a wider project for 2022, which will include a study centre, interactive and audio displays, model train station, sensory garden, and a shop. The centre aims to work with groups, such as schools and care homes, to get them interested and interacting with their local history. |

| Last Year's Request | Last Year's Award | Request |
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| £N/A | £N/A | £16,600 |

RECOMMENDATION:

That no grant be given.

REASON FOR DECISION:

The Group liked the aim of the centre but whilst commendable were mindful of the limited funding available, the number of grants received, often working directly with vulnerable groups, and considered that this is regrettably not a current priority at this time. The Group encouraged the Society to approach other specialist funding sources.

| 16 | APPLICANT | SUMMARY |
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| | SPUD | SPUD is an arts and education charity that creates opportunities for people to engage with art, architecture, design, and the environment. SPUD supports people creative development, and works with and support various groups including, youth, disabled, autism, LGBTQ+ and dementia. SPUD had reported a reduction in income from rentals, workshops, and exhibitions. SPUD is developing funding streams and partnerships and spreading into other areas, e.g. Cornwall and Wilshire. |

| Last Year's Request | Last Year's Award | Request |
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| £N/A | £N/A | £15,000 |

RECOMMENDATION:

That a grant of £10,000 be given, funded through the CEV budget.

REASON FOR DECISION:

SPUD are working with vulnerable groups and using their skill in arts and architecture to create better living for those impacted through Covid. Their work with residents living with dementia was noted, as was their work with young people to support their mental wellbeing. The Group supports the work SPUD does across various groups and its current financial position, with the aim of being self-sustaining by the end of 2022.

| 17 | APPLICANT | SUMMARY |
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| | Ringwood RACE Against Time | Ringwood RACE Against Time is a charity set-up in 2020, based in Ringwood, with the aim of providing a sustainable transport scheme by bringing people from the Ringwood area together to take actions to help the environment, biodiversity, and climate change by changing behaviours from cars to using Ringwood Ringo bus service. |

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| Last Year's Request | Last Year's Award | Request |
| £N/A | £N/A | £19,000 |

RECOMMENDATION:

That no grant be given.

REASON FOR DECISION:

The group were sympathetic and supportive of the aims of the group of getting more people to use public transport and reducing car usage for short journeys where possible. However the Group felt that the business model in this proposal was not sustainable. The grant application is to fund free bus travel on the Ringo bus for those with Council parking clocks, but not eligible for the national concessionary travel scheme. Whilst the group sympathise with the aims of the project, it could foresee potential practical difficulties with the scheme. The group felt the Ringo service was competitive with concessionary options and that the challenge of behaviour change was more complex than offering this service for free at this point.

| 18 | APPLICANT | SUMMARY |
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| | Ellingham Fabric Appeal Fund | Ellingham Fabric Appeal Fund is a registered charity run by a board of trustees and volunteers, based in the hall at Ellingham. The hall is available for diverse groups within the local Ellingham community. During the past 18 months the pandemic had affected charity's ability to generate any form of income making it difficult to cover the running costs of the hall and to generate a surplus to allow the fabric to be maintained. |

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| Last Year's Request | Last Year's Award | Request |
| £N/A | £N/A | £3,500 |

RECOMMENDATION:

That no grant be given.

REASON FOR DECISION:

The application was to support the recent shortfall in the reduction in income. It was noted that this deficit was reducing and it was anticipated that the shortfall could be met if the current return to activities continues. It was also noted that the charity has a close association with the church and that there was potential to seek additional support from the church and its members.

| 19 | APPLICANT | SUMMARY |
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| | Compass Counselling | The charity's objectives and principal activities continue to be those of preserving and protecting mental health by the provision of a professional, high quality accredited counselling service for all sections of the local community who are suffering from psychological distress or relationship problems and to advance education and training in counselling. For many, the treatment programme available under the NHS involves long waiting lists or is not appropriate to their needs which has a detrimental impact on those that need help. They are committed to supporting those unable to afford private counselling by offering reduced rates to ensure no-one is excluded from counselling for financial reasons. |

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| Last Year's Request | Last Year's Award | Request |
| £5,000 | £5,000 | £5,000 |

RECOMMENDATION:

That a grant of £5,000 be given.

REASON FOR DECISION:

The organisation met the Council's objectives by assisting the wellbeing of the people living and working in the New Forest area through increasing access to subsidised mental health counselling for all sections of the community, including supporting more people on a low income. This includes Younger adults being targeted for support as this is a growth area, exacerbated by the pandemic, and where there are long delays. As demand is increasing, a subsidised and tailored approach to counselling will continue to support those in need. Compass Counselling aim to work with care homes, support carers, and reach out to more 18-25 years olds struggling with mental health as there had been a 15% increase in this cohort. Due to the pandemic Compass continued to provide counselling remotely by phone or Zoom.

| 20 | APPLICANT | SUMMARY |
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| | St Barbe Museum and Art Gallery | St Barbe is a museum and art gallery providing a cultural hub and educational facilities on the heritage, culture, history, and character of the New Forest. It is part of FOLIO, a collaboration of arts and heritage organisations. The galleries are accessible, and the museum provides learning services for schools and interest groups, including workshops, exhibitions, and curriculum-based activities. St Barbe also has a coffee shop which is used to support groups, e.g. an Elderly Programme for "memories". |

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| Last Year's Request | Last Year's Award | Request |
| £5,000 | £5,000 | £10,000 |

RECOMMENDATION:

That a grant of £10,000 be given.

REASON FOR DECISION:

St Barbe supports NFDC priorities through assisting with the wellbeing of those in the district, as well as attracting visitors. St Barbe provide a wide range of activities, for all ages, and is a vibrant community hub. This includes working with many schools, disabled groups, those suffering with dementia or autism, holiday programmes, and a Young Curator group, as well as working with apprentices as part of the government Kickstart programme. During the pandemic St Barbe has developed creative digital online experiences to increase accessibility, and has been financially impacted due to its closure.

| 21 | APPLICANT | SUMMARY |
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| | Wessex Cancer Trust | Wessex Cancer Trust is a leading cancer support charity in the Wessex region which over the last 40 years has supported over 300,000 individuals living with cancer, helping them to recover from the psychological and emotional effects of a cancer diagnosis. COVID has had a significant impact on cancer services in hospitals at a time when prognosis have worsened as diagnosis or treatments have been delayed. Community fundraising events have either had to be cancelled or postponed and community fundraising has significantly declined due to people isolating at home. |

| Last Year's Request | Last Year's Award | Request |
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| £N/A | £N/A | £5,000 |

RECOMMENDATION:

The request was withdrawn

REASON FOR DECISION:

The Group were supportive of the activities and services provided by the Wessex Cancer Trust, noting the valuable support that they give to those living with cancer and their families. Since the presentation Wessex Cancer Trust notified the Council to withdraw their application due to receiving a legacy. This does not prejudice the group reapplying in future years.

| 22 | APPLICANT | SUMMARY |
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| | Forest Forge Theatre Company | Forest Forge is based in a purpose-built theatre in Ringwood and provides creative learning and outreach activities, whilst ensuring opportunities to participate in high quality theatre productions. Forest Forge works with others, such as CAMHS. There is a professional theatre which tours to communities and schools across the New Forest with an emphasis on creative learning and using theatre to tackle wider social issues such as bullying and mental health. The organisation targets local residents to encourage participation in a variety of activities such as workshops; work experience and targeted outreach projects (e.g. teenagers). The Company has a reputation for the quality of its work with those with additional needs and provides opportunities for older people to tackle social isolation and improve cross-generational understanding. |

| Last Year's Request | Last Year's Award | Request |
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| £ 20,000 | £10,000 | £20,000 |

RECOMMENDATION:

That a grant of £10,000 be given.

REASON FOR DECISION:

Forest Forge contributes to the Council's objectives by providing creative learning activities and contributing to community cohesion and wellbeing. It supports local business by helping creative industries and providing experience for young people's employability. It works in schools, including its ELEVATE project for 15-16-year-olds, and seeks to tour a production about mental health and set-up new youth theatres. It also produces online programmes, for example young carers, "Busy Bees" on Facebook, and drama sessions via zoom. Forest Forge works across the district, including rural areas, and will develop holiday programmes for young people, and continue to develop Act Your Age sessions which tackles isolation. It has collaborated with NFDC's Safer New Forest initiative and faces reduced funding. It has secured funding from Arts Council to facilitate homeworking and IT investment and the grant will assist with leveraging additional funding.

CAPITAL GRANTS

| 23 | APPLICANT | SUMMARY |
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| | AFC Bournemouth Community Sports Trust | The project is to develop and extend the existing football site at Long Lane, Ringwood, which they would lease from Ringwood Town Council. The project includes a new clubhouse, changing facilities, classroom, and pitches. AFC Bournemouth Sports Trust, which is independent of AFC Bournemouth, will manage the site for community use. The Council has identified a lack of facilities in the district and the project is identified as a priority in the New Forest District Local Football Facilities Plan. The project will provide opportunities and support for grass roots football, girls and people with disabilities and mental health. |

| Total Cost | Other Funding | Request |
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| £2,320,000 | £1,800,000 | £100,000 |

RECOMMENDATION:

That no grant be given.

REASON FOR DECISION:

The Council was supportive of the scheme as it achieves many of our strategic outcomes. This development will help to tackle the under provision of pitches in the town and have an organisation to manage the facilities. For this reason the council has supported the application with S106 funding and believes that this is the correct route for support of this scheme rather than the Community Grants process. The amount requested is the entirety of the available budget which would leave no funds for other groups and a reduced amount is unlikely to make a significant addition to the current allocation of £435,330 from the council. The scheme is also being supported by the Football Foundation and AFC Bournemouth Community Sports Trust are match funding the project. It was noted by the panel that neither Ringwood Town Council, who own the site, nor Ringwood Town FC, who are one of the main beneficiaries, were contribution any significant funds to the development. Officers at the council will continue to work with the scheme to support the completion of the identified project

| 24 | APPLICANT | SUMMARY |
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| | Martin Club | Martin club is located in the small village of 425 people and is a social club open to all providing a bar, snooker, table tennis, bingo, skittles, film nights and has a function room which is available for hire. The project is to repair the roof which is currently leaking. |

| Total Cost | Other Funding | Request |
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| £68,150 | £34,075 | £34,075 |

RECOMMENDATION:

That a grant of £20,000 be given.

REASON FOR DECISION:

The Group recognises the value of the building to the community and considered the additional funding Martin Cub hoped to raise through a fund-raising campaign and further funding applications. The grant recommended would support the project and encourage obtaining further funding.

| 25 | APPLICANT | SUMMARY |
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| | CODA | CODA provide music and therapy to support vulnerable people of all ages, including those with dementia, mental health as well as young carers. The project is to expand and refurbish dilapidated old agricultural buildings to provide new creative spaces for people of all ages and abilities and extend music tuition, classes, workshops, and group music making sessions. |

| Total Cost | Other Funding | Request |
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| £400,000 | £180,000 | £25,000 |

RECOMMENDATION:

That a grant of £10,000 be given.

REASON FOR DECISION:

The Group recognise the importance and value of this facility as an important hub for music and therapy to a range of groups, with 68% of users coming from the New Forest and 90% of disabled users. Coda's work for the local residents was appreciated and the limitations of working at their current site noted. It was also considered the joint working that CODA have developed with hArt, a New Forest based art therapy organisation. The funding will support local residents and ensure that CODA are able to grow this support. CODA are also currently applying to the Arts Council and other organisations for additional funding.

| 26 | APPLICANT | SUMMARY |
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| | Fawley Rugby Club | Fawley Rugby Club is based at Newlands Park, Blackfield. The club currently has 300 members and over 200 players between 4 and 70 years of age, including junior boys' and girls' teams, an over 50;s team and walking rugby. Fawley is Rugby Football Union accredited. The wider project involves building a club house, which has planning permission, but funding is required for facilities to the clubhouse, notably sewage, water, and electricity connections. |

| Total Cost | Other Funding | Request |
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| £79,693.00 | £30,000 | £50,000 |

RECOMMENDATION:

That a grant of £25,000 be given.

REASON FOR DECISION:

The Group recognised the positive impact Fawley Rugby Club has in their community, including working with schools, and encouraging the promotion of sport and physical activity, and its membership. The club is currently operating out of a shipping container with no amenities. The application is to get vital services to the site including hot and cold water, electricity and sewage connection for toilet provision. The grant will help with the provision of basic essentials to the site. Fawley Rugby Club have secured a loan from the RFU to build the clubhouse and are seeking funding and sponsorship from other sources for this project. Therefore Group considered recommending a grant of half the amount being requested. The facility will help the club becomes sustainable, support the promotion of rugby, and be used by the community.

| 27 | APPLICANT | SUMMARY |
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| | Fawley parish Council | Fawley parish Council currently has two well used community 5-a-side football pitches that has a carpet which are over 14 years old, resulting in a poor playing surface a potential health hazard and ongoing repair costs. The pitches are used by a variety of groups, including schools, youth groups, holiday clubs, disabilities, and adult groups, and if not maintained will reduce the availability and accessibility for local residents to participate in sport activities. The project involves replacing the carpet on the pitches. |

| Total Cost | Other Funding | Request |
|------------|---------------|----------------|
| £45,865.20 | £35,865.20 | £10,000 |

RECOMMENDATION:

That a grant of £10,000 be given.

REASON FOR DECISION:

The Group were supportive of the application to ensure a safe playing surface. The application fulfilled a strategic need for local facilities and provided benefits to the local community. The Group recommended girls' football to be further encouraged.

| 28 | APPLICANT | SUMMARY |
|----|-----------------------|---|
| | Minstead Trust | Minstead Trust provides individualised training for nearly 200 adults with learning difficulties to enable them to develop new skills, lead a fulfilled'd life and progress to greater independence in society. Minstead Trust offer transitional residential accommodation, respite services, supported living and day opportunities. Minstead already has 7 supported living properties in Totton and this project is seeking to purchase another property in Lyndhurst to support 10 adults with high quality accommodation with en-suite facilities, with this application being towards the deposit of the purchase. |

| Total cost | Other Funding | Request |
|------------|---------------|----------------|
| £1,486,366 | £800,000 | £95,000 |

RECOMMENDATION:

That no grant be given.

REASON FOR DECISION:

The Group were sympathetic and support the ambitions of the project, however the project is asking for a large proportion of the total available budget with little indication of where the additional funding will come from. The project will only support 9 residents and financial constraints are such that the Council is unable to make a meaningful contribution to the project.

| 29 | APPLICANT | SUMMARY |
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| | Ellingham Water Ski Club | Ellingham Water Ski Club provides affordable water sports to able bodied and disabled people. Current facilities are in a poor state, not accessible, and has only 1 disabled toilet with no shower or adequate changing facilities. The project involves installing an accessible toilet and shower for the benefit of wheelchair users and others with additional accessibility requirements to ensure the club is inclusive and which will be used by other users of the lake. |

| Total Cost | Other Funding | Request |
|-------------------|----------------------|----------------|
| £26,200 | £13,100 | £13,100 |

RECOMMENDATION:

That a grant of £13,100 be given.

REASON FOR DECISION:

The Group were keen to support, encourage and provide suitable facilities for disabled people to participate in sporting activities, acknowledging the benefits, for example mental health and wellbeing. The Club is one of only three in the country that provides this activity, with the new facilities the project will further increase membership and usage of the lake.

| 30 | APPLICANT | SUMMARY |
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| | New Forest Heritage Trust | The free entry New Forest Heritage Centre is the only museum dedicated to the social and natural history of the New Forest. Their aim is to inspire visitors to explore and value the New Forest by collecting, conserving, and interpreting collections and by providing educational activities and information to children, young people and adults visiting the Forest and living in the community. The Centre includes an accredited Museum, Reference Library, which preserves historical artefacts, shop, and Exhibition Gallery. The Education Team run year-round exhibitions and events programme. This project is to replace the front doors of the centre with energy efficient automated sliding doors, and forms part of a wider project to improve the building. |

| Total Cost | Other Funding | Request |
|-------------------|----------------------|----------------|
| £30,000 | £15,000 | £15,000 |

RECOMMENDATION:

That no grant be given.

REASON FOR DECISION:

The project is part of a wider plan to refurbish and transform the Heritage Centre and the Group considered it preferable to consider an application for the overall scheme, rather than specific aspects and recommend a future application on this basis. The Group were mindful that the project is not due to commence until 2023 and that additional funding could be sought.

| 31 | APPLICANT | SUMMARY |
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| | Waterside Primary School | Waterside Primary school has 192 pupils and has an outside classroom used by the school, Brownies, Little Shipmates Nursery, The Handy Trust, and other groups. The classroom promotes physical and mental wellbeing, encourages social engagement, and has a positive impact on pupils and users. The classroom is currently not fit for purpose being out of bounds and this project seeks to replace the classroom with a safe and creative place for learning. |

| Total Cost | Other Funding | Request |
|-------------------|----------------------|----------------|
| £15,000 | £5,000 | £7,500 |

RECOMMENDATION:

That a grant of £7,500 be given.

REASON FOR DECISION:

The Group recognise the benefits the classroom has on emotional, behavioural, and intellectual development of pupils, and as well as a valuable facility for the school the classroom will benefit the wider community in an area of high deprivation. The facility is used by the wider community and community based groups for the benefit of local residents and the school operates at the heart of this community. It is this use that the Council is supporting and will be looking to safeguard the community use as part of the funding agreement.