HORWICH TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Grants to Voluntary Organisations Sub Committee of Horwich Town Council held on Wednesday 7 March 2024 in Room 4, Horwich Community Centre, Beaumont Road, Horwich commencing at 7.00 pm.

PRESENT: Councillors: S. Rock (in the Chair), I. Aldcroft, D. Grant, J. Walton.

Town Clerk, C. Hutchinson

TO SUBMIT APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

GVO 225 Apologies had been received from Councillors Chadwick and McKeon.

Councillor Grant was present as Councillor Chadwick's nominee.

TO RECEIVE ANY DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST ABOUT ANY MATTERS TO BE DISCUSSED:

GVO 226 None.

TO CONSIDER FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FROM THE GRANTS TO VOLUNTARY ORGANISATIONS BUDGET FOR 2023 -2024:

GVO 227 Resolved to approve the following requests from the Grants to Voluntary

Organisations budget for 2023 – 2024 as follows:

a. Horwich Winter Hill Runners £500.00 b. Rock It! £500.00

It was noted that there had been an unusually large amount of funding applications received, every one of which had requested the maximum amount of £500. The total amount requested was £5,500 from a remaining budget of £2,960 for the current financial year. It was agreed that some of the groups who had applied did not meet the criteria stated in the Council's grants policy which included a current bank statement in the name of the group applying for funding, requests that would result in commercial benefit, lack of information about project costs and failure to provide a completed monitoring/feedback form for previous awards. In addition, five local schools had submitted separate applications for funding of £500 each for a future community project. While it was agreed that this was a very worthy project, one of the schools had failed to provide financial information as requested and there was concern at the amount requested in relation to funding available and it was resolved to approve the following requests totalling £1,000 for this particular project:

a. St Joseph's RC High School
b. Horwich Parish Primary School
c. Claypool Primary School
d. St Catherine's Primary School
£250.00
£250.00
£250.00

TO CONSIDER A REQUEST FROM KD OVER 50s MENS CLUB FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE OF £300.00 FROM THE HORWICH COMMUNITY CENTRE ACCOMMODATION GRANTS BUDGET FOR 2023 – 2024:

GVO 228 Resolved to approve the request from KD Over 50s Men's Club for financial assistance of £300.00 from the accommodation grants budget for 2023 – 2024.

The meeting closed at 7.30 pm.

Chairperson	Date
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