

KENDAL TOWN COUNCIL

Audit, Grants and Charities Committee

**Tuesday 30th October 2018 at 7.00 pm
in The Mayor's Parlour, Town Hall, Kendal**

- PRESENT** Councillors Matt Severn (Chair), Geoff Cook (Vice Chair), Paul Bramham, Julia Dunlop, Douglas Rathbone.
- APOLOGIES** Councillors Gibson
- OFFICERS** Judith Lomax (Town Treasurer) and Janine Holt (Assistant to the Town Clerk)
- 484/18/19 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**
None
- 485/18/19 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**
None
- 486/18/19 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 30th JULY**

The Chairman presented the minutes of the meeting held on 30th July, which had been approved by full Council on 3rd September 2018.
- RESOLVED** That the minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 30th July be accepted as a correct record.
- 487/18/19 MATTERS ARISING (Not on Agenda)**
No
- 488/18/19 EXTERNAL AUDITOR'S REPORT**
The Treasurer said the report had been received and all looked in order. The auditors have given forewarning of the date for next year's visit. The report has been signed by the Mayor. The committee received and accepted the report.
- RESOLVED** The auditor's report was received and accepted by the committee.
- 489/18/19 REVIEW OF SPEND AGAINST BUDGET 2018/19 (6 MONTHS ENDED 30TH OCTOBER 2018)**
The Treasurer provided a summary of the report. She highlighted to the Committee that the management over spend was due to the parish poll which had not been accounted for. There is nothing exceptional other than the parish poll. Acknowledgement was made of the higher staffing costs, this is for various reasons, temps, replacement staff etc. Staffing overspend is currently at £4k and due to current circumstances it is not anticipated for it to go down. This situation can only be monitored and the budget may have to be readjusted taking into account the staff costs.
Councillor Cook made the observation that the committees budgets seem to be fluctuating and asked that a reminder is circulated to committees to request that they try and stay in line with the budgets.

- RESOLVED** The Committee reviewed spend against the budget for the 6 months ended 30th October 2018.
A reminder is sent to Committees to ask them to stay within budget line spend.
- 490/18/19** **2019/20 BUDGET**
Budget Proposals
The Committee considered the budget requirements for 2019/20. Due to the level of current applications, the committee would like to request that the grants budget is increased to £41k.
- RECOMMENDATION** That Council approve an increase in the grants budget to £41k.
- 491/18/19** **Draft Reserves Policy 2019/20**
The amended document was discussed. The committee agreed to accept the policy.
- RESOLVED** The draft reserves policy was accepted.
- 492/18/19** **Draft Investment Policy 2019/20**
The Committee were asked to consider this policy. The committee agreed to accept the policy.
- RESOLVED** The draft investment policy was accepted.
- 493/18/19** **GRANT APPLICATIONS 2019/20**
Councillor Cook provided some background information to put the applications in context. The grant applications were considered and the following recommendations were made:
- 494/18/19** **Kendal Brewery Arts**
Councillor Cook declared an interest as he is the CCC representative on the board. Kendal Brewery Arts had been invited to apply for 3 year funding but only applied for 2 year funding on the application.
- RECOMMENDED** The committee recommended 2 year recurrent funding at 9k each year.
- 495/18/19** **Abbot Hall – Lakeland Arts Trust**
Councillor Dunlop declared an interest as she is a friend of Abbot Hall.
- RECOMMENDED** The Committee recommended 3 year recurrent funding at £3000 each year.
- 496/18/19** **1127 Squadron (Kendal) Air Training Corps**
- RECOMMENDED** The Committee recommended a grant of £1000
- 497/18/19** **Great North Air Ambulance**
- RECOMMENDED** The Committee recommended a grant of £750
- 498/18/19** **“One Voice” – Kendal & South Lakes Centre for Independent Living**

RECOMMENDED	The Committee recommended 3 year recurrent funding at £1500 each year.
499/18/19	The Quaker Tapestry at Kendal
RECOMMENDED	The Committee recommended 3 year recurrent funding at £2000 each year.
500/18/19	Kendal Community Theatre
RECOMMENDED	The Committee recommended a grant of £500
501/18/19	South Lakes Citizen Advice
RECOMMENDED	The Committee recommended 3 year recurrent funding at £5000 each year.
502/18/19	Sandgate Hydrotherapy Pool Councillor Cook declared an interest as building owned by CCC. It was noted that they were invited to submit an application for multi-year funding but only applied for one year.
RECOMMENDED	The Committee recommended a grant of £3000
503/18/19	Fairoak Housing Association
RECOMMENDED	The Committee recommended a grant of £500
504/18/19	Growing Well Councillor Rathbone declared an interest in this item as he supports them elsewhere.
RECOMMENDED	The Committee recommended a grant of £500
505/18/19	South Lakeland Equality & Diversity Partnership All members declared an interest as the request has been made by the Mayor.
RECOMMENDED	The Committee recommended a grant of £100
506/18/19	North West Air Ambulance
RECOMMENDED	The Committee recommended a grant of £750.
507/18/19	Outside In
RECOMMENDED	The Committee recommended a grant of £2000
508/18/19	Manna House Councillor Severn declared an interest in this item and left room for the discussion and recommendation.
RECOMMENDED	The Committee recommended a grant of £3000
509/18/19	The Furniture Warehouse part of Right2Work

RECOMMENDED	The Committee recommended a grant of £290
510/18/19	Abbot Hall Public Bowling Club
RECOMMENDED	The Committee recommended a grant of £50
511/18/19	Kendal Lads & Girls Club
RECOMMENDED	The Committee recommended a grant of £450
512/18/19	Cumbria Festival Chorus
RECOMMENDED	The Committee recommended that the grant application request be refused due to funding constraints.
513/18/19	With Singing in Mind
RECOMMENDED	The Committee recommended a grant of £500
514/18/19	Kendal-Rinteln Association Suggest that this is redirected to Mayoralty and Arts to be allocated out of the twinning budget
RECOMMENDED	The request for funding should be redirected to the Mayoralty and Art Committee and considered within the twinning budget line.
515/18/19	Dance Ability
RECOMMENDED	The Committee recommended a grant of £100
516/18/19	Kendal Millennium Playing Fields
RECOMMENDED	The Committee recommended a grant of £500
517/18/19	Riversiders Trust
RECOMMENDED	The Committee recommended a grant of £750
518/18/19	ITEMS FOR THE NEWSLETTER Spring Edition – grants approved for 2019/20 Summer Edition – request grant applications
519/18/19	ANY OTHER BUSINESS None
520/18/19	DATE OF NEXT MEETING MONDAY 28 TH JANUARY 2019 AT 7PM

The meeting closed at 9.00pm

Summary of Information, Resolutions and Recommendations to Council

Min	Subject	Information/Resolution/Recommendation to Council	
486/18/19	Minutes of the last meeting	RES	That the minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 30 th July be accepted as a correct record.
488/18/19	External Auditors report	RES	The auditor's report was received and accepted by the committee.
489/18/19	Review of spend against budget	RES	A reminder is sent to Committees to ask them to stay within budget line spend.
490/18/19	2019/20 budget proposals	REC	That Council approve an increase in the grants budget to 41k.
491/18/19	Draft reserves policy	RES	The draft reserves policy was accepted.
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