

Minutes of a remote meeting of the Grants Sub-Committee of Newbury Town Council held at 7.00 pm on Tuesday 1 September 2020

Present: Councillors Gary Norman (Chairperson); David Marsh; Martha Vickers; Olivia Lewis; Martin Colston and Billy Drummond.

In Attendance: Hugh Peacocke, Chief Executive Officer

1. Election of Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson

Nominations for the Chairman of the Grants Sub-Committee for the 2020/21 municipal year were invited.

Proposed: Councillor Martha Vickers

Seconded: Councillor Billy Drummond

To elect Councillor Gary Norman as the Chairperson of the Grants Sub-Committee for the 2020/21 municipal year.

Nominations for the Vice- Chairman of the Grants Sub-Committee for the 2020/21 municipal year were invited.

Proposed: Councillor Gary Norman

Seconded: Councillor Martin Colston

To elect Councillor David Marsh as the Vice- Chairperson of the Grants Sub-Committee for the 2020/21 municipal year.

2. Apologies for absence

None

3. Declarations of interest and dispensations

The following declarations of interest were noted:

- Councillor Martha Vickers declared an interest in application ID no. 18315 (Newbury Lockdown Wood) as an active member of Newbury Friends of the Earth.
- Councillor David Marsh declared that he is a Trustee of the Friends of Wash Common Library (Application ID No. 17945)
- Councillor Martin Colston declared his membership of Newbury Velo Cycling Club (Applications ID. No. 17939 and 17772)
- Councillor Gary Norman declared that he was a volunteer at Eight Bells (Application ID No. 18278)
- Councillor Martin Colston declared that he is a member of Newbury Velo Cycling Club (Applications ID No.s 17939 and 17772.)

4. Minutes

Proposed: Councillor Martin Colston

Seconded: Councillor Billy Drummond

Resolved: That the minutes of the meeting of the Grants Sub-Committee held on 14 April 2020 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairperson.

5. Questions and petitions from members of the public

There were none.

6. Members' questions and petitions

There were none.

7. Award of Grant Aid

The meeting reviewed the amount of grant aid available for distribution:

Total provided in this year's Budget:	£24,500
Less amount paid to date in Covid-19 grants:	£ 4,264
Remaining amount:	£ 20,236

Members reviewed the applications registered on the Good Exchange since the last normal Grants Subcommittee meeting, November, 2019.

Proposed: Councillor Gary Norman

Seconded: Councillor Martin Colston

Resolved: That the Council makes the following grants awards, payable through The Good Exchange:

Application ID No.	Organisation	Project	Amount of Grant (£)
18315	Newbury Friends of the Earth	Newbury Lockdown Wood	1,300
18278	Eight bells for mental Health	Revive and reconnect after Lockdown	1,250
18296	Fair Close centre	Covid-secure restaurant appeal	1,250
17909	Community Youth Project	Youth work at the Nightingales Estate	1,000
18210	Berkshire Women's Aid	Local frontline support for victims of domestic abuse	900
18217	Home-Start West Berkshire	Maternal mental health project	900
18179	The Engine Shed	Branching out with The Engine Shed	900
18178	Free Legal Advice Group for domestic violence	Supporting those experiencing domestic abuse through COVID-19	900
18167	iCollege	Music Live!	900
18142	Dingley's Promise	Emergency COVID-19 fund to enable additional support for children with SEND and their families during the current pandemic	900
18016	Newbury Soup Kitchen	Moving costs and running costs of new operations centre	900
17781	Speenhamland Primary School PTA	Artificial grass running track	900
17939	Newbury Velo Cycling Club	Tandem bikes for cycling for visually impaired, hearing impaired, injured or disabled people	900
17897	Recovery in Mind	Recovery in Mind course costs 2020-21	900
17649	Young People and Children First	Providing a home and support for young people	900
18251	The Corn Exchange Newbury	West Berkshire Youth Theatre 2020 unlocked and unbolted	650
17527	Kennet & Avon Canal Trust	Newbury waterways Festival 2021	110
18222	Mary Hare Foundation	Equipment for deaf children required due to the impact of Covid-19	75
		Total:	15,535

The Subcommittee noted that there remained a total of £4,701 available from this year's budget and agreed to meet again in January 2021 to consider applications for grants from the remaining funds.

8. Grant Sub-Committee Budget 2021/22

The Subcommittee agreed to recommend that the Policy and Resources Committee should provide grant aid up to the limit to be paid through the Good Exchange for the financial year 2021-22.

There being no further business the Chairperson declared the meeting closed at 8.32 pm.

Chairperson