

POLICY, GOVERNANCE AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

Date: 14 June 2021

Title: Discretionary Grant Applications

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Background

The budget for general grants (4100/407) for the new financial year, 2021-22, budget cycle is £10,000.

The budget for subsidised lettings (4110/407) for the new financial year, 2021-22, budget cycle is £1,800.

Applications

The following applications for discretionary grants have been received: -

1. 2120 (Witney) Squadron Air Cadets

A request for £994.31 towards training aids for first aid and adventure training – replacement of four first aid/CPR manikins and two tents to provide the continuing level of output for a further 10 years.

2. Jewins Women2Women Ltd

A request for £500-£1,000 has been received towards continued online coaching and counselling.

The following applications for subsidised lettings have been received: -

1. Royal British Legion

A request for £165 towards hire of the Corn Exchange has been received.

The Council has also received two letters of thanks from the Oxfordshire Association of Blind and Life Education Wessex and Thames Valley.

Environmental impact

There would be no environmental impact if these requests were granted.

Risk

In decision making Councillors should give consideration to any risks to the Council and any action it can take to limit or negate its liability.

The Council has a policy and criteria for which it uses to award its grants to ensure public funds are allocated and used appropriately.

The Council has the General Power of Competence (GPC) which generally discretionary grants are awarded under.

Financial implications

As outlined in the report and grant applications

Recommendations

Members are invited to note this report and;

1. Consider the requests for funding as detailed in this report and the attached grant/subsidized letting applications,
2. Note the correspondence from Oxfordshire Association of Blind and Life Education Wessex & Thames Valley.