

POLICY, GOVERNANCE & FINANCE COMMITTEE

Date: Monday, 3 October 2022

Title: Youth Services Grant 2022

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Current Situation

Six applications were received for this fund and were presented to the Stronger Communities Committee for consideration on Monday 26 September 2022, this committee having the background knowledge and understanding concerning Witney's youth services.

Got2B CIC	£32,000.00
Home-Start Oxford	£21,500.00
APCAM	£20,000.00
Oxfordshire Music & Arts Trust (formerly the 7C's Foundation)	£10,740.00
Aspire Oxfordshire Community Enterprises Ltd	£10,000.00
Parish of Witney	£9,333.58

Following presentations from some of the applicants at the meeting, and following consideration of application forms and supporting documents, the recommendation of the committee was to defer a decision to Policy, Governance & Finance.

The applications were all good on various criteria and offered value for the Council in varying improvement and continuation of youth provision across Witney. However, the total amount was £63,500.00 over the agreed budget so further examination of the applications, their benefit to Witney residents and supporting financial documents would be required.

Environmental impact

Having declared a Climate Change Emergency at its Council meeting on 26 June 2019 – with this in mind Councillors should have due regard to the environmental impact of any decisions they make with regard to its facilities and services it operates.

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.

Financial implications

- The budget for the current financial year for this fund is £40,000
- There is no additional budget over and above the amount already set.

Recommendations

Members are invited to note the report and consider the distribution of the 2022 Youth Services Grant.