

HAMBLETON DISTRICT COUNCIL

Report To: Cabinet
5 June 2018

Subject: **MAKING A DIFFERENCE GRANTS**

All Wards
Portfolio Holder for Leisure: Mrs B S Fortune

1.0 PURPOSE AND BACKGROUND:

- 1.1 In February 2018 Cabinet agreed to allocate £125,000 from the One-Off Fund for the 2018/19 'Making a Difference' grants scheme.
- 1.2 Applications to the fund were to be considered by elected members from each of the five sub-areas and prioritised against a £25,000 budget allocation (£125,000 across all five areas).
- 1.3 The grant scheme was launched on 7 February 2018 with a closing date of 29 March 2018. Overall 46 applications were received requesting a total of £215,976.65.
- 1.4 Five decision making panels made up of elected members from each of the sub-areas convened in April/May to consider the applications and to assess their merit against the grant criteria (Annex B). Each decision has been documented and a final set of recommendations is presented at Annex A.

2.0 LINK TO COUNCIL PRIORITIES

- 2.1 The Making a Difference grant criteria stipulate that all projects must contribute to at least one of the Council priorities.

3.0 RISK ASSESSMENT:

- 3.1 There are no risks associated with this report.

4.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS AND EFFICIENCIES:

- 4.1 Grant allocations total £124,558.93 of the £125,000 budget for the Making a Difference programme.
- 4.2 All the grants awarded will be to legitimate, constituted bodies with their own bank accounts and they will be required to submit proof of expenditure before payments are released.
- 4.3 All grant holders are informed that the grant cannot be increased under any circumstances and terms and conditions (Annex C) are signed to this effect.
- 4.4 Any funds that are allocated to the grant applicant and are not spent should be returned to the Council by the grant recipient. This is included within the terms and conditions (Annex C).

5.0 LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:

5.1 Each grant holder must adhere to a set of terms and conditions. This ensures the grant is spent correctly, that any legal requirements are met, that the grant is properly publicised and Hambleton District Council is acknowledged accordingly, and that the grant is closely monitored.

6.0 EQUALITY/DIVERSITY ISSUES:

6.1 The Making a Difference grants are open to all eligible organisations that are not-for-profit, formally constituted, possess a bank account and whose proposed projects will benefit the community in Hambleton.

6.2 The awarded grants take into account equality and diversity to ensure that the schemes and their benefits are open to all members of the community.

7.0 RECOMMENDATIONS:

7.1 It is recommended that the grants proposed in Annex A are approved.

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Background papers: Making a Difference Grant application process and criteria 2018

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MAKING A DIFFERENCE GRANT – PANEL RECOMMENDATIONS FOR APPROVAL

Bedale

Project Name	Organisation	Amount requested	Amount recommended
Swing Park Improvements - resurfacing, equipment and signage	Tanfield Parish Council	£2,176.00	£1,500.00
Bedale Athletic Sports Association clubhouse improvements	Bedale Athletic & Sports Association	£11,067.00	£3,000.00
Purchase of digital projector, screen and display boards	Blue Sky Thinking	£1,020.00	£1,000.00
Energy efficiency and warmth for all: insulation and heating system	Kirkby Fleetham Village Hall Charity	£15,000.00	£7,500.00
Bedale Litter Busters purchase of tongs and bulbs	Bedale & Villages Community Forum	£1,000.00	£1,000.00
Town Sign	Bedale & Villages Community Forum	£1,000.00	£1,000.00
Snape Institute interior improvements: curtains and redecoration	Snape Institute Management Committee	£5,000.00	£4,000.00
Snape Playing Field regeneration project: aerial runway	Snape with Thorp Parish Council	£2,936.00	£2,000.00
Purchase and installation of a defibrillator at Bedale Hall	Bedale Town Council	£1,500.00	£1,000.00
Start-up office equipment: computer, printer and office furniture	Leeming Bar Community Hub	£1,088.00	£1,000.00
3 parish noticeboards	Tanfield Parish Council	£1,100.00	£1,000.00
2 seats in Londonderry; planters and bulbs	Exelby, Leeming & Londonderry Parish Council	£1,210.95	£1,000.00
Total			£25,000.00

Easingwold

Project Name	Organisation	Amount requested	Amount recommended
Village hall refurbishment: installation of a kitchen	Coxwold Playing Fields Association	£24,985.00	£4,300.00
Winter warmer hall refurbishment: heating system, insulation, interior decoration and lighting	Tholthorpe Village Hall	£3,203.00	£3,200.00
Installation of disabled toilets and lowering of pulpit and lectern at All Saints Church	Newton on Ouse Parochial Church Council	£2,000.00	£2,000.00
Outdoor Centre redevelopment: construction of a timber building	1st Easingwold Scout Group	£10,000.00	£5,000.00
Printing of circular walks and cycling leaflets for distribution across Easingwold	Easingwold Tourist Information	£1,135.20	£1,000.00
Drainage improvements at the Multi-use Games Area	Husthwaite Parish Council	£1,000.00	£1,000.00
Acoustic improvements: purchase of acoustic panels and blackout curtains	Shipton Space Café & Cinema	£6,594.00	£4,250.00
Purchase and installation of swings at Alne play area.	Alne Parish Leisure Association	£7,920.00	£4,250.00
Total			£25,000.00

Northallerton

Project Name	Organisation	Amount requested	Amount recommended
Renovation of the Church Kitchen - new worktops, cupboard space and boiler	Brompton Methodist Church	£5,000.00	£4,000.00
Purchase and Installation of a new team building 'Basket Game' at Applegarth Park	Northallerton Town Council	£4,042.50	£2,000.00
Wireless broadband connection & a new heating system at the Village Hall	Kirby Sigston Village Hall Committee	£1,170.00	£1,170.00

Project Name	Organisation	Amount requested	Amount recommended
Romanby Remembers' Re-dedication service and Picnic in the Park	Romanby Parish Council	£1,500.00	£1,500.00
Village Hall Refurbishment Phase 2: New heating, toilets, windows and plastering	Rountons Village Hall	£17,500.00	£5,745.00
Herriot Bereavement Service - delivery of 360 one-to-one 'bereavement support' sessions	Herriot Hospice Homecare	£9,000.00	£2,000.00
Purchase of a 'Kit Bag for Life' (Defibrillator, bag and bespoke storage unit)	Northallerton Community First Responders	£1,085.00	£1,085.00
Purchase and Installation of 15 Public Access Defibrillators across Northallerton	Restarting Hearts in Northallerton	£10,000.00	£7,500.00
Total			£25,000.00

Stokesley

Project Name	Organisation	Amount requested	Amount recommended
Purchase and installation of play equipment at the Watson Scout Centre	North Yorkshire Scout Council	£4,911.00	£4,500.00
Purchase and installation of a replacement heating system	Great Ayton Village Hall	£4,250.00	£4,000.00
Purchase of a catering dishwasher	Parochial Church Council of Great Ayton	£1,665.00	£1,665.00
Design, printing and promotion of Parish Plan 10 year update	Potto Parish Plan Steering Group	£1,000.00	£1,000.00
Installation of a changing place facility	Yatton House Society	£6,775.00	£5,165.00
Renovation of Waterfall Park: new path, picnic tables and bulb planting	Moor Sustainable CIC	£4,298.00	£4,298.00

Purchase and installation of a replacement heating system	St Joseph's Church Hall, Stokesley	£2,372.07	£2,372.00
Purchase and installation of an off-road bike track at the Community Play Space	Battersby Junction Community Association	£2,000.00	£2,000.00
Total			£25,000.00

Thirsk

Project Name	Organisation	Amount requested	Amount recommended
The purchase and installation of a defibrillator and training for Club Members	Thirsk Tennis Club	£1,420.00	£1,420.00
The Digital Clock' - IT Training Programme for those supported by the Clock	The Clock (Yorkshire) Ltd	£6,225.00	£6,225.00
The purchase and installation of a defibrillator and training for local residents	Thormanby Parish Meeting	£2,025.00	£2,025.00
Carlton Lodge improvement and development	North Yorkshire Youth Ltd.	£2,927.43	£2,927.43
Defibrillator provision at Thirsk and Sowerby Town Hall	Thirsk and Sowerby Town Hall Management Committee	£2,416.50	£2,416.50
Village Hall Flat Roof Refurbishment	Dalton Village Hall Committee	£3,645.00	£3,645.00
Topcliffe.net Website Re-design	Topcliffe Parish Council	£1,100.00	£1,100.00
Spread the Minibus Word!	Thirsk & District Community Minibus Association	£4,800.00	£4,800.00
Total			£24,558.93



Making a Difference Grant 2018: Guidance Notes

The following guidance notes are designed to help assess each grant application on its relative merits, identify how well each project helps support the Council's four priorities and how each project demonstrates value for money. The principal of the grants programme is that it makes a genuine difference to the quality of life for residents of Hambleton. These notes help determine which applications will make the most difference.

Factors to consider

- **Impact on the community**

Each applicant has been asked to explain what difference their project will make. Consider which project(s) will have the greatest impact to the quality of life for residents.

- **Evidence of need.**

Applicants have been asked to demonstrate a genuine community need for the project. This could be evidenced in a Parish Plan, an Area Partnership Community Plan or through user group consultation.

- **Council priorities**

Each application must meet at least one of the Council's priorities:

- Driving economic vitality
- Enhancing health and wellbeing
- Caring for the environment
- Providing a special place to live

- **The percentage of the total project cost applied for**

The maximum grant available is 75% of the total project cost with the expectation that the applicant will secure *at least* 25% of the project cost from other fundraising activity. Those with a smaller percentage may represent better value for money.

- **The number of beneficiaries supported per Council £1**

Each applicant has been asked to estimate how many people will benefit should the application be successful. The lower the cost per beneficiary, the greater the community benefit per capita and may offer greater value for money depending on the type of project.

- **The long term impact of each project**

Some projects are short term pilots that provide an immediate response to an acute need, whilst others are capital projects that that will bring long term benefit beyond the lifespan of the grant programme. Consider which project(s) will have the biggest long term impact.