

## RECORD OF EXECUTIVE DECISION

Tuesday, 11 February 2020

**Decision No:** (CAB 19/20 25691)

DECISION-MAKER:	CABINET
PORTFOLIO AREA:	Cabinet Member for Green City and Environment
SUBJECT:	Community Chest Grants 2019/20 Round 2
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### THE DECISION

- (i) To agree the recommendations for 2019/20 round 2 grants made by the cross-party Community Chest Grant Advisory Panel; and
- (ii) To award the remainder of the funding to Southampton Voluntary Services, as a grant, to distribute to local community and voluntary organisations.

### REASONS FOR THE DECISION

All the applications have been considered by the cross-party Community Chest Grant Advisory Panel, which has made recommendations on which should receive funding. All applications recommended for funding contribute to at least one of the council's priority outcomes and will enable the applicants to provide activities for the benefit of their communities.

The Council has promoted the grants throughout the year but not received enough applications to award the whole budget. A different approach is needed to ensure all local communities benefit from this funding. As the local voluntary and community sector infrastructure support service, Southampton Voluntary Services reaches organisations who have little or no contact with the council.

### DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

The option of not recommending funding was considered and rejected as it would not meet the council's aims of supporting local people to engage in community action.

The options of using the remainder of the funding available for a Mayflower 400 grant scheme was considered and rejected as the council already has plans for this via the Events and Festivals grant scheme.

**OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION**

None

**CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

None

**CONFIRMED AS A TRUE RECORD**

We certify that the decision this document records was made in accordance with the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2000 and is a true and accurate record of that decision.

Date: 11<sup>th</sup> February 2020

Decision Maker:  
The Cabinet Member for Green City and Environment

Proper Officer:  
Claire Heather

**SCRUTINY**

Note: This decision will come in to force at the expiry of 5 working days from the date of publication subject to any review under the Council's Scrutiny "Call-In" provisions.

Call-In Period expires on

Date of Call-in *(if applicable) (this suspends implementation)*

Call-in Procedure completed *(if applicable)*

Call-in heard by *(if applicable)*

Results of Call-in *(if applicable)*