

## RECORD OF EXECUTIVE DECISION

Wednesday, 26 June 2013

Decision No: (CAB 13/14 10357)

DECISION-MAKER:	INTERIM DIRECTOR OF ENVIRONMENT AND ECONOMY
PORTFOLIO AREA:	ENVIRONMENT AND ECONOMY DIRECTORATE
SUBJECT:	ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS FOR ADMINISTERING THE SMALL GRANTS SCHEME
AUTHOR:	Karen Hilleard

### THE DECISION

- (i) To approve that the council continues to administer the Community Chest small grants scheme.
- (ii) To approve the revised process for awarding grants from the Community Chest small grants scheme, including amended criteria and community representatives joining the recommendation panel

### REASONS FOR THE DECISION

Nearly two-thirds of the consultation respondents thought the council should continue to administer the small grants scheme and over 80% thought people from the local community should be more involved in making the grant recommendations. Feedback was also received on the type of groups and projects the small grants could fund. The revised Community Chest small grants scheme has been developed as a result of this feedback.

### DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

1. Continuing the small grants scheme as in its current form was considered and rejected. The scheme is an essential lifeline for many small community groups in the city and needs to be reviewed regularly to ensure it is meeting their needs as well as contributing to the council's priorities.
2. Outsourcing administration of the small grants scheme was considered and rejected as it was clear from the consultation feedback that respondents wanted the council to continue to administer the 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: 26 June 2013

Decision Maker:  
Interim Director Economy and Environment

Proper Officer:  
Ed Grimshaw

**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 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2013

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)*