

<b>DECISION-MAKER:</b>	<b>CABINET MEMBER FOR COMMUNITIES, CULTURE AND LEISURE</b>		
<b>SUBJECT:</b>	<b>COMMUNITY CHEST 2018/19 ROUND 1</b>		
<b>DATE OF DECISION:</b>	<b>17 July 2018</b>		
<b>REPORT OF:</b>	<b>DIRECTOR OF QUALITY AND INTEGRATION</b>		
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<b>STATEMENT OF CONFIDENTIALITY</b>	
None	
<b>BRIEF SUMMARY</b>	
Community Chest is the council's small grant scheme and currently awards grants of up to £2,500 to community groups in the city. Grants are awarded twice a year under delegated authority to the Cabinet Member for Communities, Culture and Leisure, following recommendations from the cross-party Community Chest Grant Advisory Panel. The budget for the year is £100,000, which is divided approximately equally between the two rounds.	
Applications are accepted from local community groups and small voluntary organisations for a wide range of projects which contribute at least one to the council's four priority outcomes.	
<b>RECOMMENDATIONS:</b>	
	(i) To agree the recommendations made by the cross-party Community Chest Grant Advisory Panel
<b>REASONS FOR REPORT RECOMMENDATIONS</b>	
1.	All the applications have been considered by the cross-party Community Chest Grant Advisory Panel, which has made recommendations on which should receive funding.
<b>ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED</b>	
2.	None
<b>DETAIL (Including consultation carried out)</b>	
3.	Community Chest is the council's small grants scheme and has been running for more than 30 years. It is periodically reviewed to ensure it continues to meet the needs of local community groups. The grant has two rounds each year, six months apart, with the budget split roughly equally between both rounds. In 2018/19 the overall budget available is £100,000. The decision maker for the grants is the Cabinet Member for Communities, Culture and Leisure, following recommendations by the cross-party Community Chest Grant Advisory Panel.

4.	Each application is first checked by a technical appraiser to ensure both the project and the applicant meet the Community Chest criteria and minimum standards for grant funding. Further information or clarification is requested where necessary. All applications are then submitted to the cross-party Community Chest Grant Advisory Panel for consideration.
5.	Applications for round one of the 2018/19 Community Chest grant scheme were submitted by 30 April 2018. We received 37 applications, including two applications deferred from the previous round of Community Chest and seven applications from other council grant schemes that had been referred on to Community Chest for consideration. Four applications were received from the same organisation and it was decided to consider all four as one application, reducing the total number of applications to 34. The Community Chest Grant Advisory Panel met on 14 June 2018 to consider all 34 applications.
6.	The Grant Advisory Panel has recommended full or partial funding for 23 applications, totalling £40,327. Of the 11 applications that are not being recommended for funding: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 6 have been deferred to the next round to allow more time for the application to be developed</li> <li>• 2 did not demonstrate a clear, direct benefit for Southampton residents</li> <li>• 2 did not provide enough information to determine if the group and project are eligible</li> <li>• 1 received a grant in 2017/18 and is not eligible for Community Chest again until 2019/20.</li> </ul>
7.	A full list of the recommendations is attached at Appendix 1.
8.	The second round of Community Chest grants 2018/19 is open for applications, with a deadline of 31 October 2018.

## RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

### Capital/Revenue

9.	<table border="1" style="margin-left: auto; margin-right: auto;"> <thead> <tr> <th>Cost Centre</th> <th>Account code</th> <th>Budget £</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>MM520</td> <td>4164</td> <td>100,000</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>The total Community Chest budget for the year is £100,000, split approximately equally between two rounds. The recommendations for round one total £40,327, leaving £59,673 for the second round of grants. This is within the allocated budget.</p>	Cost Centre	Account code	Budget £	MM520	4164	100,000
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MM520	4164	100,000					

### Property/Other

10.	None
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## LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

### Statutory power to undertake proposals in the report:

11.	The legal power for the Council to establish, administer and make awards from the Community Chest grant fund is provided by the Localism Act 2011. Subject to certain statutory restrictions, none of which apply in this case, Section 1 gives the Council “power to do anything that individuals may do”.
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<b><u>Other Legal Implications:</u></b>	
12.	None
<b>RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS</b>	
13.	The risks of fully funding, part funding or not funding each application were considered as part of the Grant Advisory Panel's discussions. The recommendations listed in Appendix 1 are considered to be low risk.
<b>POLICY FRAMEWORK IMPLICATIONS</b>	
14.	The recommendations in this paper support the delivery of the Sustainable Community Strategy (City Strategy), the Council Strategy 2016-2020, key partnership strategies such as the Safe City Strategy and the Health and Wellbeing Strategy as well as Level 1 strategies of the Council.

<b>KEY DECISION?</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>WARDS/COMMUNITIES AFFECTED:</b>	All
<u>SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION</u>	
<b>Appendices</b>	
1.	List of recommendations for Community Chest grant 2018/19 Round 1
2.	

**Documents In Members' Rooms**

1.	
2.	

**Equality Impact Assessment**

<b>Do the implications/subject of the report require an Equality and Safety Impact Assessment (ESIA) to be carried out.</b>	<b>No</b>
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**Data Protection Impact Assessment**

<b>Do the implications/subject of the report require a Data Protection Impact Assessment (DPIA) to be carried out.</b>	<b>No</b>
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**Other Background Documents**

**Other Background documents available for inspection at:**

<b>Title of Background Paper(s)</b>	<b>Relevant Paragraph of the Access to Information Procedure Rules / Schedule 12A allowing document to be Exempt/Confidential (if applicable)</b>
1.	
2.	