

## Appendix A

### Agenda Item No:

**Report to:** Charity Committee

**Date of Meeting:** 30th September 2013

**Report Title:** Foreshore Trust Grants Advisory Panel Annual Report

**Report By:** Sandra Garner  
Chair, Foreshore Trust Grants Advisory Panel

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### Purpose of Report

To provide an overview of progress on the Small, Events, and Unsolicited Grants Programmes for 2012 - 2013

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### Recommendation(s)

**1. That the Charity Committee note the Report**

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### Reasons for Recommendations

To provide a comprehensive review of the Grants Advisory Panel's activities over the past year.

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## Introduction

Annual Report 2012/2013

### Chair's Report

This is the second Annual Report from the Grant Advisory Panel of the Foreshore Trust. The Grant Advisory Panel which was appointed in March 2011 and currently has 5 members was established to advise on and administer the grant programme.

The Scheme for the Foreshore Trust states that after the costs of administering the Charity and of managing its assets, including repair, have been met then the Trustee can distribute the surplus income in the furtherance of the objects of the Charity and for no other purpose. It was determined that "appropriate objects for surplus income would be for such wide charitable purposes within the area of the Borough of Hastings which would benefit the inhabitants and visitors to Hastings and St Leonards as the Trustee of the Charity thinks fit." The Trustee has decided that generally the focus of grant making will be on the following areas of charitable purpose:-

The prevention or relief of poverty.

The advancement of health or the saving of lives

The advancement of citizenship or community development

The advancement of the arts, culture, heritage or science

The advancement of amateur sport

The advancement of human rights, conflict resolution or reconciliation or the promotion of religious or racial harmony or equality and diversity

The relief of those in need, by reason of youth, age, ill-health, disability, financial hardship or other disadvantage.

Any other purposes currently recognised as charitable and any new charitable purposes which are similar to another charitable purpose.

### Small Grant Making Round 2

The available budget for Round 2 2012 - 2013 was again agreed at £50,000 with a maximum of £5,000 per grant award. A total of 31 applications were received, the total requested amount being £103,171. The Panel approved 16 applications totalling £49,978. A good spread of projects was funded including different age groups, arts activities, community and community cohesion, disadvantaged groups and equal opportunities. This report contains details of some of the projects supported by the Foreshore Trust in Round 2. We are currently considering applications in Round 3 and look forward to reporting on these next year.

### Unsolicited grants

During this year the Grant Advisory Panel has advised the Charity Committee on the production of a protocol for determining applications for funding that fall outside the agreed Small Grants programme.

### Events Grants

An additional sum was identified in the Foreshore Trust Business Plan this year to fund Events on the Foreshore land in 2013/2014. The Grant Advisory Panel agreed to process applications to this fund in tandem with the Small Grant applications and again these will be reported on next year.

Thanks

I should like to take this opportunity to thank my fellow Panel members, Dick Edwards, Steve Manwaring, Judith Monk and Karen Rigby- Faux, for their contribution and support throughout the year. I should also like to acknowledge the invaluable assistance provided to the Panel by a number of officers of Hastings Borough Council.

Sandra Garner

Chair Grant Advisory Panel

September 2013

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### **Wards Affected**

Ashdown, Baird, Braybrooke, Castle, Central St. Leonards, Conquest, Gensing, Hollington, Maze Hill, Old Hastings, Ore, Silverhill, St. Helens, Tressell, West St. Leonards, Wishing Tree

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### **Area(s) Affected**

Central Hastings, East Hastings, North St. Leonards, South St. Leonards

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### **Policy Implications**

Please identify if this report contains any implications for the following:

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| Equalities and Community Cohesiveness | Yes |
| Crime and Fear of Crime (Section 17)  | No  |
| Risk Management                       | No  |
| Environmental Issues                  | No  |
| Economic/Financial Implications       | Yes |
| Human Rights Act                      | No  |
| Organisational Consequences           | No  |
| Local People's Views                  | Yes |

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### **Background Information**

N/A

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