

**Report to:** Charity Committee

**Date of Meeting:** 24<sup>th</sup> September 2018

**Report Title:** Foreshore Trust Small Grants Programme 2018-19

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### **Purpose of Report**

1. To present the recommendations of the Grant Advisory Panel (GAP) in respect of applications for the Small Grants Programme Round 8 2018-19.
2. To consider the GAP recommendations on the changes to the Grants Programme

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### **Recommendation(s)**

1. That the meeting consider for approval the Small Grants recommendations of the GAP as set out in Appendix 1
2. That the meeting defer a decision regarding the various changes to the Grants Programme, to allow a full review of the current grant schemes

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### **Reasons for Recommendations**

The Grant Advisory Panel has appraised the merits of the applications received for Small Grant support and has made a number of recommendations for grant awards that can be funded from the available 2018-19 budget.

The GAP proposed changes for the Grants Programme and these implications across the scheme should be considered in more detail prior to further consideration and decision by the Charity Committee.

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### **Background**

1. The Foreshore Trust Small Grants Programme is a small grants scheme to address the Foreshore Trust's stated charitable priorities and obligations.
2. £60,000 is available for the 2018-19 financial year for small grants of up to £5,000 each.

3. The process used to invite and evaluate grant applications was in accordance with the protocols agreed by the Charity Committee in December 2014.
4. The Panel met in July 2018 to discuss the respective merits of each application. Its recommendations are set out in the report from the Panel Chair (Appendix 1).
5. All of the applications for funding were assessed in terms of the organisations' ability to deliver their proposals, how closely the proposed activities match the priorities of the Charity Committee, value for money and a fair distribution of funds amongst all the priorities and members of the community.
6. In total, seventeen projects are recommended for approval with some of these subject to conditions. All of the approved projects are to be delivered between October 2018 and September 2019. The amount recommended totals £60,000.
7. Out of the 17 organisations, 4 were new applicants.
8. The additional GAP recommendations in item 10 of Appendix 1 relate to changes in the current implementation of both the small grants and events grant programme. Given these requests for change it is pertinent to re-assess the whole Grant Programme scheme for consideration at a later meeting.

### Policy Implications

9. The Foreshore Trust's Grants Schemes support activities that impact positively on the social and economic wellbeing of residents in the Borough, as well as assisting organisations in delivering a range of activities for local people that might otherwise be unavailable.

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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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### Policy Implications

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

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

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## **Additional Information**

Appendix 1 – Report by the Chair of the Grants Advisory Panel with the Panel's recommendations.

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