



# MINUTES OF THE GRANTS & COMMUNITY PROJECTS COMMITTEE MEETING

Held on 29 July 2025 at 7.30pm.

At Burton Village Hall, Northfield Lane, High Burton, Huddersfield, HD8 0QT

**Present:** Cllr J Cowan in the Chair.

**Cllrs:** B Armer, R Bray, P Brook, D Hardcastle, B Smith, and C Walters.

**Officer in attendance:** Ms A Greenwood.

## **MIN GCP5: Apologies**

Apologies for absence received from Cllrs R Barraclough and D Knight.

## **MIN GCP6: Declarations of interest**

Cllrs Armer and Bray declared an interest in the Shelley Community Association application as they attend the SCA meetings, but there is no pecuniary interest involvement.

Cllrs Brook and Walters declared an interest in the Yetton Together application as they attend Yetton Together meetings, but there is no pecuniary interest involvement.

## **MIN GCP7: Public Participation**

No members of the public were present.

## **MIN GCP8: Admission of the Public**

**Resolved:** to hold the meeting in the public session.

## **MIN GCP9: Committee Chairman's verbal briefing**

Cllr Cowan reminded the Committee of the outstanding resolution to form a sub-committee to review the grant rules and regulations, particularly with reference to the original purpose of the Village Improvement Fund. Cllr Armer recalled that the members were to be Cllrs Armer, Barraclough, Cowan, and Hardcastle.

Cllr Cowan then spoke of late Cllr Black's sponsorship of the Yetton Together application, and that his name remained on the application in memory of his service as a parish councillor.

## **MIN GCP10: Village Improvement Fund Rules**

**Resolved:** to note the Village Improvement Fund rules.

## **MIN GCP11: Village Improvement Fund budget statement**

**Resolved:** to note the 2025-26 Village Improvement Fund budget statement.

## **MIN GCP12: Village Improvement Fund applications: July 2025 round**

**Resolved:** to recommend that the Council grant the sum of £1000 to Grange Moor Community Association for the Lunch Club and Community fish and chips under the LGA 1972, section 137.

Cllr Hardcastle suggested that, in memory of the late Cllr Black, the entirety of the grant award for YT should come out of Cllr Black's parish councillor VIF allocation.

**Resolved:** to recommend that the Council grant the sum of £400 to Yetton Together for a volunteer celebration event under the LGA 1972, Section 137, and for the £400 to come from Cllr Black's VIF allocation in memory of his civic service to the people of Kirkheaton.

Cllr Bray declared an interest in the application as the Chair of Stocksmoor Village Association was known to him; there was no pecuniary interest involvement.

Cllr Walters proposed that the Committee recommend granting the award of £175 to Stocksmoor Village Association for two strims and no weedkiller. The proposal went to the vote and did not pass.

**Resolved:** to recommend that the Council grant the sum of £175 to the Stocksmoor Village Association to trim overgrown weeds on the verge and wall for both sides of Stocksmoor Road and spray with acceptable weed killer, under the Highways Act 1980, section 96.

**MIN GCP13: General Grants rules**

**Resolved:** to note the General Grant Rules.

**MIN GCP14: General Grant Budget statement**

**Resolved:** to note the General Grant budget statement.

**MIN GCP15: General Grant applications: July round 2025**

**Resolved:** to recommend that the Council grant the sum of £5000 to Kirkheaton Scout and Guides Association for the purpose of replacing the hall and kitchen floor, and boxing in pipework, in the Scout Hut on Moorside Road, under the LGA 1972, Section 133.

Cllr Armer reminded the Committee that the Council has historically supported grants for defibrillators and defibrillator parts.

**Resolved:** to recommend that the Council grant the sum of £72.19 to Shelley Community Association to replace defibrillator pads on a public defibrillator, under the LGA 1972, section 137.

**MIN GCP16: Date of next meeting**

**Resolved:** for the date of the next meeting to be organised by the Committee Chairman in liaison with the Clerk, and is likely to be at the end of October/early November.

**The Committee Chairman thanked committee members for attending and closed the meeting at 19:56h.**