

REPORT TO GRANTS ADVISORY PANEL

Date: 2 March 2015
Title: Cultural Grants
Submitted by: Executive Director – Operational Services
Portfolio: Culture and Active Communities
Ward(s) affected: All

Purpose of the Report

To consider the attached applications for Cultural Grants.

Recommendations

- *To approve the recommendation as indicated in the report.*

Reasons

To support local art and community groups to develop cultural activities and events for the community.

1. **BACKGROUND**

1.1 The Council has always maintained its support to local organisations by providing a fund, which is allocated to cultural activities. This allows groups or organisations to apply for grants up to £1200 in any one year.

2. **ISSUES**

2.1 The list as shown in Appendix 1 identifies the Groups applying for funding this round.

3. **OUTCOMES LINKED TO CORPORATE PRIORITIES**

The organisations cater for the following Council Corporate Priorities:

- No. 1 – Creating a Cleaner, Greener and Safer Borough
- No. 2. - Creating a Borough of Opportunity
- No. 3. - Creating a Healthy and Active Community

4. **LEGAL AND STATUTORY IMPLICATIONS**

There are no statutory or legal implications.

5. **FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS**

The amount allocated for 2014/15 is £12000. If all the grants are approved to the sum of £2610 this will leave a balance of -£400.

6. **MAJOR RISKS**

Events may be unable to take place if funding is not available.

7. **RECOMMENDATIONS**

To approve the recommendations as indicated in the attached Appendix 1.

8. **LIST OF APPENDICES**

Appendix 1 – list of organisations seeking grant aid

Appendix 2 – Spreadsheet of awards and balance 2014-2015

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