

INFORMATION SHEET

High Wycombe Town Committee

High Wycombe Town Committee Community Support Grants

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High Wycombe Town Committee agreed to set aside an annual sum of £20,000 for the payment of grants to the voluntary and community sector (VCS), within the unparished Wards of High Wycombe.

The budget of £20,000 is divided in half: £10,000 for Community Facility Grants and £10,000 for Community Support Grants.

Applications received during the financial year 2016/2017 reflected the diversity of communities operating in the unparished area. All awards are agreed by the Chairman of the Committee.

Facilities Grants

Facilities Grants are awarded to VCS organisations that have premises for community use as their primary purpose and operate within the unparished Wards of High Wycombe. These grants enable community facilities to benefit from essential building works and refurbishment to ensure they remain available for community use. Work must be completed within one year of confirmation of an award and grants are only paid upon completion of works and receipt of a satisfactory report.

No applications were submitted for the financial year 2016/2017. The budget of £10,000 has been rolled over and added to the 2017/2018 budget, thus giving a total budget of £20,000 available for Facilities Grants applications.

Community Support Grants

Small community support grants, up to a maximum of £1,500, are awarded to community groups that operate within the unparished Wards of High Wycombe. These grants are intended to cover the capital cost of an activity, project or event that directly benefits the local community being served.

For the financial year 2016/2017, grants totalling £4,850 have been awarded. The groups that have benefitted from a community support grant are listed in the Appendix below.

<u>Appendix</u>

HWTC Community Support Grants		Grant Awarded
Bucks Student Union		
	Underpass Mural	1,500
Wrights Meadow Centre	Community Event – July 2016	1,499.99
Women's Cultural Arena	Christmas and New Year Events	850
St. Andrews Church	The Noise Community Event – May 2016	1,000
Total Spend to end March 2016		4,850