

WINCHESTER TOWN FORUM

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COMMUNITY REVENUE GRANTS 2005/06 – KAYAC AND WINNALL ROCK SCHOOL

REPORT OF DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY SERVICES

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RECENT REFERENCES:

CAB747 - Community Grants – Policy and Review 2004/05 3 December 2003

CAB826 - Community Grants – Revenue Awards 2004/05 3 March 2004

WTF29 - Community Grants – Capital and Revenue Grants 2004/05 18 May 2004

WTF42 - Community Grants – Revenue Awards 2005/06 6 January 2005

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

This report provides an update on the position with the grant conditions attached to provisional awards made to King Alfred Youth Activity Centre and Winnall Rock School. The report makes a further recommendation to the Town Forum on the way forward with these two organisations.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Forum recommend to Cabinet that the grant awards of £8,112 to King Alfred Youth Activity Centre and £5,000 to the Winnall Rock School may be made by the Director of Community Services in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Healthy and Inclusive Communities provided that the conditions attached by the Town Forum are met.

WINCHESTER TOWN FORUM3 March 2005COMMUNITY REVENUE GRANTS 2005/06 – KAYAC AND WINNALL ROCK SCHOOLREPORT OF DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY SERVICESDETAIL:1 Introduction

- 1.1 This report sets out details on the progress made with two of the organisations provisionally awarded revenue grant funding by the Town Forum at the meeting held on 6 January 2005 – the King Alfred Youth Activity Centre (KAYAC) and Winnall Rock School.
- 1.2 The original application forms and supporting documents are held in the Central Business Unit of the Community Services Department. Any Member wishing to study the forms prior to the meeting should contact the Partnership and External Funding Officer who will make the necessary arrangements.

2 The Current Position

- 2.1 At the meeting on 6 January 2005 the Town Forum agreed the provisional awards of £8,112 to KAYAC and £5,000 to Winnall Rock School subject to:
- ”The speedy and satisfactory conclusion of the accommodation discussions between the two organisations.”
- 2.2 The application from KAYAC requested financial support towards the employment of two further part-time youth workers and the provisional agreement of the Town Forum was to fund the full amount requested at the level of £8,112. The application from Winnall Rock School was for funding towards the rental costs of premises from which the project operates. The Town Forum agreed a provisional award of £5,000 (less than the application amount of £9,000).
- 2.3 As outlined at the previous meeting, Winnall Rock School currently occupy space on the first floor of the KAYAC building and have converted much of the rented space into facilities suitable for the music project (for example, sound proofing). The current rent agreement ceases at the end of March and as yet no agreement has been reached as to what would be a reasonable rental charge for the space for the coming financial year.
- 2.4 KAYAC and Winnall Rock School have been negotiating over the past three months on the issue of reasonable rental levels at the KAYAC premises for the space occupied by the Winnall Rock School. As yet no conclusion has been reached but discussions continue.
- 2.5 In order to eliminate the need for further reports it is proposed that the Town Forum recommend to Cabinet to delegate the authority to agree the award to the Director of

Community Services in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Healthy and Inclusive Communities provided they are satisfied that the condition has been met.

- 2.6 If it becomes apparent that the situation cannot be resolved for some reason it may be necessary to make a further report.

OTHER CONSIDERATIONS:

3 CORPORATE STRATEGY (RELEVANCE TO):

- 3.1 The community grants scheme is of direct relevance to a number of key objectives and priority areas: -

- ❑ Working with and supporting the voluntary sector to deliver the most appropriate services for local communities - Corporate Priority
- ❑ Helping the voluntary sector to provide better services to the community - Cultural Strategy
- ❑ Recognising the importance of small-scale community facilities and services and support these wherever possible - Cultural Strategy.
- ❑ Providing more and better leisure opportunities which meet the needs of young people and people after retirement - Cultural Strategy

4 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS:

- 4.1 Resources issues are identified in the body of the report.

BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS:

None

APPENDICES:

None