

SUBJECT OF REPORT: Grant Applications – COVID-19 Support**BACKGROUND**

At the meeting of the Council on the 23 March 2020, given the measures imposed by central government to restrict the spread of COVID-19, it was resolved to suspend all Parish Council/Committee meetings, until further notice.

In the absence of formal meetings, Council business will continue with the decision making process being undertaken as per the resolution, by delegated powers being granted to the Chairman, Vice Chairman and the Chief Officer.

Members will be requested to forward to the Chief Officer their comments regarding the matter for consideration, which will be collated, discussed and decided upon by the above persons. The decision will be fully publicised on HPC's website.

Grant Applications Received

- 1. Clanfield Coronavirus Community Support Group (CCCSG) - £500**
- 2. Horndean Community Association (HCA) - £600.**

All Members have received the application documentation and have responded as follows:

In respect of the first applicant the majority of Members (6) support the award of £250, in recognition of the limited area supported by the group within the parish.

Two Members suggested different amounts being £200, and the requested amount of £500.

The second application submitted to which the majority of Members (6) declined, on the basis that the Financial Statement provided is not within date, being the year ending 30 June 2018.

One Member agreed the award as per the requested amount £600.

The consensus is for £250 to be awarded to CCCSG, and for updated financial information to be requested from HCA.

As of the 01 April 2020, £7,000 is available within the budget, and £2,570 remains unspent as at 31 March 2020, which will return to General Reserves.

Report Prepared by

Carla Baverstock-Jones
Chief Officer