

London Borough of Islington

Voluntary and Community Sector Committee - 1 October 2018

Minutes of the meeting of the Voluntary and Community Sector Committee held at Islington Town Hall, Upper Street, N1 2UD on 1 October 2018 at 6.30 pm.

Present: **Councillors:** Kaya Comer-Schwartz, Diarmaid Ward and Richard Watts

Observer: Mouna Hamitouche MBE and Anjna Khurana

Councillors:

Councillor Richard Watts in the Chair

13 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE (Item A1)**
None.

14 **DECLARATION OF SUBSTITUTE MEMBERS (Item A2)**
None.

15 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item A3)**
None.

16 **MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING (Item A4)**

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the meeting held on 10 July 2018 be confirmed as an accurate record of proceedings and the Chair be authorised to sign them.

17 **LOCAL INITIATIVES FUND AWARDS (Item B1)**

RESOLVED:

(a) That organisations submitting proposals to more than one Ward for Local Initiatives Funding be advised that there will be a minimum of £50 per Ward.

(b) That the proposals for funding under the Local Initiatives Fund submitted by Ward councillors and the changes to previous proposals, detailed in Appendix A (attached to these minutes) of the report of the Executive Member for Community Development, be approved in principle, subject to the interim Corporate Director of Housing and Adult Social Services being satisfied that the necessary checks have been made and any other issues resolved.

(c) That the declarations of interest made by councillors, detailed in paragraph 3.11 of the report, be noted.

(d) That the amendments to Ward budgets resulting from project funding being returned, as detailed in paragraph 3.12 and the final page of Appendix A of the report, be noted.

(e) That Ward councillors be reminded that there is a limit of £1k rollover of funding in each year.

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Reason for decision

To assist in developing and sustaining a healthy voluntary and community sector in Islington.

Other options considered

None.

Conflicts of interest/Any dispensations granted

None.

18 **ISLINGTON COUNCIL VENUES: FREE COMMUNITY USE APPLICATIONS - ROUND ONE (Item B2)**

RESOLVED:

(a) That one free hire of Islington Assembly Hall be allocated to the following organisations, between January and February 2019:

- Breakin Convention
- King's Head Theatre

(b) That one free hire of the rooms at Islington Town Hall be made to each of the following organisations, between January and May 2019:

- Manor Gardens Welfare Trust
- Galbur Foundation

(c) That the following applicant be held in reserve, in the event of the inability of the organisations named in resolution (a) above to negotiate appropriate dates and timings:

- Key Changes (Islington Music Forum)

Reason for decision

The scheme provided an opportunity for the Council to support local organisations through free use of the Assembly Hall.

Other options considered

A total of seven applications were received and evaluated by officers.

Conflicts of interest/Any dispensations granted

None.

19 **ISLINGTON COUNCIL'S COMMUNITY CHEST - ROUND ONE GRANT AWARDS 2018/19 (Item C1)**

RESOLVED:

That the funding decisions (26 June 2018) made by Islington Council's Community Chest (ICCC) Panel, in relation to the first round of ICCC grant funding for 2018/19, as detailed in Appendix A of the report of the Executive Member for Community Development, be noted.

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Reasons for decision

The decisions on grant awards had already been made by ICCC and therefore the report was for the Committee's information only.

Other options considered

None.

Conflicts of interest/Any dispensations granted

None

The meeting ended at 6.45 pm

CHAIR