

## **Additional tabled paper**

*This report has been amended and submitted as an additional tabled paper for the following reasons:*

- 1. Application EAC003 from the Friends of Oare Gunpowder Works has been withdrawn as they have received funding from Swale Borough Council's Special Project Fund for this project. Option 3 has been amended for this reason.*
- 2. Cllr Ben J Martin has proposed an additional option which is shown under Option 4 of this report.*

## **Cover Report for Eastern Area Committee Funding Scheme Introduction**

The Eastern Area Committee has been given a total of £48,000.00 to allocate in the financial year 2020/21.

At a previous meeting, the Committee allocated £837.00 to Doddington Allotment Association which left £47,163.00 to be allocated at the March 2021 meeting. A public call has resulted in 10 applications for funding which total £98,702.20.

In order to help the Committee allocate funds the Chair and Vice Chair subsequently asked officers to produce a paper to assist Members in their funding allocations. This paper sets out the results of a scoring process carried out by 3 officers independently on the applications\*, along with comments on previous funding awarded to the applying organisations and other relevant background information. This paper is Appendix 1.

\* the scoring sheets have been published as a further additional tabled paper.

Appendix 2 is a summary of all the applications received.

### **Proposal**

Having considered the summary report and supporting papers, along with the scoring and background information, the Chair and Vice Chair would like to submit 3 possible proposals for allocating funds for the Committee to consider. Cllr Ben J Martin has submitted a fourth option, also set out below:

### Option 1:

This option would allow all the highest scoring applications to receive funding from the scheme, however some organisations would receive less than they have requested:

Applicant	Funding request	Proposed allocation
FTC Parishes to Town Project	£12,500.00	£12,500.00
Expansion of West Faversham Community Centre	£25,000.00	£10,000.00
Citizens Advice Swale – update premises	£5,000.00	£5,000.00
GEM72 – mobile youth provision	£10,000.00	£10,000.00
Faversham Swimming Pools – sail for outdoor pool	£10,000.00	£5,000.00
Boughton-under-Blean outdoor gym	£16,495.00	£4,663.00
<b>Total</b>		<b>£47,163.00</b>

### Option 2:

The second option would allow the top 4 highest scoring applicants to receive either all their funding request or in one case a slightly reduced allocation:

Applicant	Funding request	Proposed allocation
FTC Parishes to Town Project	£12,500.00	£12,500.00
Expansion of West Faversham Community Centre	£25,000.00	£19,663.00
Citizens Advice Swale – update premises	£5,000.00	£5,000.00
GEM72 – mobile youth provision	£10,000.00	£10,000.00
<b>Total</b>		<b>£47,163.00</b>

### Option 3:

This option excludes projects that have already received significant funding through the Special Projects Fund or organisations that already get significant direct funding from Swale BC. It then funds projects according to their scoring. One project application from Lynsted and Kingsdown PC has not been included following feedback from relevant officers.

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FTC Parishes to Town Project	£12,500.00	£12,500.00
GEM72 – mobile youth provision	£10,000.00	£10,000.00
Boughton-under-Blean outdoor gym	£16,495.00	£14,663.00
Oare PC - regen and rewild the village	£5,000.00	£5,000.00
Abbey Physic Community Garden - repair/refurbish APCG entrance	£5,000.00	£5,000.00
<b>Total</b>		<b>£47,163.00</b>

### Option 4

Applicant	Funding requested	Funding Allocation
Parish to Town project	£12,500	£12,500
Oare PC regen and rewild	£5,000	£5,000
Abbey Physic Community Garden - repair/refurbish APCG entrance	£5,000	£5,000
Faversham Swimming Pools - sail for outdoor pool	£10,000	£5,000
Citizens Advice Swale - update premises	£5,000	£4,663
Gem72 - mobile youth provision	£10,000	£5,000
Boughton-under Blean outdoor gym	£16,495	£10,000
<b>Total</b>		<b>£47,163</b>

### **Area Committee to consider**

The Chair and Vice Chair would request that Committee Members consider the four options but should any Member wish to propose other options for consideration at the Area Committee meeting, could they please forward their proposal to the Area Committee Coordinator by 4 pm on Wednesday 17 March 2021

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