

**Report to the Cabinet Member for Children, Young People and Schools**  
**Report submitted by: The Chief Executive**

**Part I**

**Electoral Division affected:**  
Lancaster Rural East

**Local Member Grant Application from:**  
**Ludus Dance** (Appendix 'A' refers)

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**Executive Summary**

This report presents an application from a local organisation requesting £280.00 towards refurbishments from the Cabinet Member for Children, young people and schools Local Member Grant Budget for 2017/18.

The organisation has submitted a multi division application requesting a total amount of £2294 from the Local Member Grants Scheme towards the same project. Requests have been made to each of the following County Councillors and a separate report will be submitted to each councillor for their determination:

- County Councillor Gina Dowding - £331.00
- County Councillor Phillippa Williamson - £282.00
- County Councillor Andrew Gardiner - £281.00
- County Councillor Susie Charles - £280.00
- County Councillor Erica Lewis - £280.00
- County Councillor Stuart Morris - £280.00
- County Councillor Charles Edwards- £280.00
- County Councillor Jean Parr- £280.00

**Recommendation**

The Cabinet Member for Children, young people and schools is requested to consider and approve the request for grant funding as set out in Appendix 'A' attached.

**Background and Advice**

Local Member Grants were originally set up in April 2006 to provide voluntary, community and faith sector (VCFS) organisations the opportunity to apply for funding to support projects that would benefit the local community.

On 29 March 2010, using powers in the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007, the Leader of the County Council approved changes to the Local Member Grant scheme to enable individual county councillors to take formal decisions on behalf of the County Council.

The above legislation however does not apply to cabinet members as they already have these decision making powers. The Cabinet Member for Children, young people and schools is therefore being asked to consider and agree the attached application for funding (in relation to their own Local Member Grant budget) under the existing decision making process for cabinet (Executive) members. Existing rules for executive decision making, including the notification of key decisions and provision for the call in of decisions will therefore continue to apply for cabinet members.

Under the grants scheme each county councillor has been given a specific budget which he/she can spend to enhance the economic, social, environmental well-being of people who live in their area (electoral division).

For the financial year 2017/18 each county councillor has a budget of £3,000  
Details of the requests for grant funding are shown below:

- Appendix 'A' – Ludus Dance

### **Consultations**

N/A

This item has the following implications, as indicated:

### **Risk management**

No significant risks have been identified in relation to the proposals contained within this report.

## Finance

Details of the funding requested are set out in attached application(s).

An up-date of spend in 2017/18 is shown below:

Budget for 2017/18		£3,000.00
C/F from 2016/17		£0.00
Refunds		
<b>Total Grant Available in 2017/18</b>		<b>£3,000.00</b>
Grant Allocations Already Approved	More Music In Morecambe	£200.00
	Galgate Horticultural Society	£526.00
	Lancaster District Homeless Action Service Ltd	£100.00
	Lancaster Fun Palace	£150.00
	More Music	£200.00
	Quernmore Recreational Club	£500.00
	The Victoria Institute	£500.00
		£2,176.00
<b>Grant Remaining to be Allocated in 2017/18</b>		<b>£824.00</b>
Grants Requests Submitted but not yet Approved/Rejected	The Growing Club CIC	£260.80
	St John's Hospice	£193.75
New Grant Request now submitted:	Ludus Dance	£280.00
Total Grant Requests in Progress		£734.55
<b>Value of Grant Remaining to be allocated in 2017/18 if all outstanding requests are approved</b>		<b>£89.45</b>

## Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985

### List of Background Papers

Paper	Date	Contact/Directorate/Tel
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N/A

### Reason for inclusion in Part II, if appropriate

N/A