

**Report to County Councillor Frank Del Molfetta**

**Report submitted by: Head of Service Legal, Governance and Registrars**

**Electoral Division affected:**  
Preston Central East;

**Local Member Grants Scheme Application from:**

Meem Madaat Welfare Group

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**Brief Summary**

This report presents an application from a local organisation requesting £500 towards hosting a community Big Eid fun-day event from the Local Member Grants Scheme.

**Recommendation**

It should be noted that the amount being requested in this application is £500. The total amount of funding available in County Councillor Frank De Molfetta's budget is £400, therefore the maximum amount of funds that can be approved for this application is £400.

That consideration be given to the request for grant funding as set out in this report.

**Detail**

On 16 December 2021, Full Council approved the reintroduction of the Local Member Grants Scheme. Under the scheme, each county councillor has been given a specific budget which they can spend to enhance the economic, social, and environmental well-being of people who live in their division. Following the reintroduction, using powers in the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007, the Leader of the County Council has authorised individual county councillors to take formal decisions on behalf of the county council.

For the financial year 2024/25, each county councillor has a budget of £2000. Each councillor can also carry forward a maximum of £200 that was unspent in the



previous financial year. County Councillor Frank Del Molfetta's total budget is set out in the financial section of the report.

Details of the requests for grant funding are shown below:

<b>Full name of your organisation</b>	
Meem Madaat Welfare Group	
<b>How much are you applying for? Minimum £100, Maximum £2000</b>	
£500	
<b>Which county councillors' electoral division(s) will your expenditure cover or benefit?</b>	
<b>Name</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Preston Central East	£500
<b>What are you going to spend the grant on?</b>	
Cost for children activities such as bouncing castle previous it was costing us £100, face painting £100 & £300 contribution towards food.	
<b>Date of your project / event or the purchase of goods</b>	
Saturday 15 <sup>th</sup> June 2024	
<b>How will the money benefit people in the councillor(s) division(s)?</b>	
Community Big Eid funday event; The big Eid falls, approximately a day after this event, such events are very popular as they brings all the community together to have fun. The event is free event for all, muslims & non Muslim, of course our community events are always aimed at all the community (Muslim or non) the main aim is to built community cohesion and racial harmony, by inviting the asylum seekers & refugees we can help them make new friends and fulfil the aim of building community cohesion & racial harmony. Also being the summer, our family events will provide a fun day, we will aim to provide fun activities, a bazaar to buy discounted goods & essentials, provide good food for free and much more. The event will be Free entry, any funds raised will be given towards one of Meem madaat welfare projects. Benefiting the community for further events.	
<b>Please give a detailed breakdown of your expenditure for your activity / equipment.</b>	



Bouncing castle £100 face painting £100  
Remaining £300 will go towards food (purchasing cost prize) samosas, chips, fish, kebabs, burgers (Barbecue)

**If you are not asking for the full amount of the cost of your activity / equipment, please give us details of where the rest of the funding is coming from. Please also explain what you will do if we give you the grant, but you do not get the other funding.**

We have spoken to local businesses to sponsor the children fun extra activities fare rides & climbing wall (callcabin) (Kashmir Watan) Asain continental etc

**If the councillor offers a grant of less than you have asked for, please explain below how that will affect your proposal – for example, will you still be able to complete your project or purchase, will you scale the project back, or seek funding elsewhere?**

We would raise funds from the community & local businesses, however this may take longer to deliver the event.

**Will the activity involve members of your organisation having significant contact with children or vulnerable adults?**

- Yes  
 No

### **Implications:**

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**

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An up-date of spend in 2024/25 is shown below:



Budget for 2024/25		£2,000.00
C/F from 2023/24		£0.00
Refunds		£0.00
<b>Total Grant Available in 2024/25</b>		<b>£2,000.00</b>
Grant Allocations Already Approved	Sahara in Preston	£600.00
	Preston Muslim Society, Quwwatul Islam	£500.00
	Deepdale Community Association	£500.00
		£1,600.00
<b>Grant Remaining to be Allocated in 2024/25</b>		<b>£400.00</b>
Grants Requests Submitted but not yet Approved or Rejected		
		£0.00
NEW REQUESTS	Meem Madaat Welfare Group	£500.00
		£500.00
<b>Total Grant Requests in Progress</b>		<b>£500.00</b>
<b>Value of Grant Remaining to be allocated in 2024/25 if all outstanding requests are approved</b>		<b>-£100.00</b>

### List of Background Papers

Paper	Date	Contact
None		

