

Report to the Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care

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Part I

Electoral Division affected:
South Ribble West;

Local Member Grants Scheme Application from:
Hoole Village Bowling Club

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Brief Summary

This report presents an application from a local organisation requesting £178.99 towards new target mats from the Local Member Grants Scheme.

Recommendation

The Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care is requested to consider and approve the request for grant funding as set out in the report.

Detail

On 16 December 2021, Full Council approved the reintroduction of the Local Member Grants. 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.

The above legislation however does not apply to Cabinet Members as they already have these decision-making powers. The Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care is therefore being asked to consider and agree the application for funding (in relation to their own Local Member Grants Scheme 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.

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 Graham Gooch's total budget is set out in the financial section of the report.

Details of the requests for grant funding are shown below:

Full name of your organisation	
Hoole Village Bowling Club	
How much are you applying for? Minimum £100, Maximum £2000	
£178.99	
Which county councillors' electoral division(s) will your expenditure cover or benefit?	
Name	Amount
South Ribble West	£178.99
What are you going to spend the grant on?	
Funding for bowls buddies target mats for young people.	
Date of your project / event or the purchase of goods	
As soon as funding is approved.	
How will the money benefit people in the councillor(s) division(s)?	
Bowl Buddies – Engaging younger people into the sport ensures that this sport remains viable. As the bowling green is closed in the winter months, our coaches can continue working with younger people all year round with the use of this equipment. Local schools have already expressed interest in sessions within school to enhance their PE curriculum.	
Please give a detailed breakdown of your expenditure for your activity / equipment.	
£129 – funding for bowls buddies target wedge £49.99 - funding for bowls buddies smaller size 'cliffhanger' target mat.	



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.

The remaining money will be funded from our reserves.

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?

If the grant offer is less than we applied for, we will have to look at seeking additional grant funding or approval to release the shortfall from the bowling club's reserves.

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

- Yes
 No

Consultations

N/A

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.

Financial

Details of the funding requested are set out in this report.

It should be noted that the amount being requested in this application is £178.99. The total amount of funding available in County Councillor Graham Gooch's budget is £172, therefore the maximum amount of funds that can be approved for this application is £172.

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



