

Notice of:	LEADER OF THE COUNCIL
Decision number:	PH71/2018
Relevant Officer:	Lorraine Hurst, Head of Democratic Governance
Relevant Cabinet Member:	Councillor Simon Blackburn, Leader of the Council
Date of Decision:	25 October 2018

WARD GRANTS

1.0 Purpose of the report:

1.1 To consider applications under the Ward Grants Scheme.

2.0 Recommendation(s):

2.1 To authorise the requests, as submitted.

3.0 Reasons for recommendation(s):

3.1 The requests are in accordance with the Ward Grant initiative.

3.2a Is the recommendation contrary to a plan or strategy adopted or approved by the Council? No

3.2b Is the recommendation in accordance with the Council's approved budget? Yes

3.3 Other alternative options to be considered:

Not to approve the applications but this is not recommended as the requests are in accordance with the Ward Grant initiative.

4.0 Council Priority:

4.1 The relevant Council Priority is: "Communities: Creating stronger communities and increasing resilience".

5.0 Background Information

- 5.1 The Council's delegated budgets scheme allocates budgets of £15,000 to each Ward covered for the financial year 2018/2019. The funding for this scheme can be spent on supplementing funding public services, for the benefit of the local community.
- 5.2 Councillors Clapham and Maycock of Bispham Ward have requested £3,403 as funding to the Community and Environmental Services Department for all gullies to be cleaned in Bispham Ward.
- 5.3 Councillors Hutton and L Taylor of Clifton Ward have requested £3,180 as funding to the Illuminations Department for the purchase and installation of 2 large lit Christmas Trees.
- 5.4 Councillors Ryan and Mrs Wright of Greenlands Ward have requested £625 as funding to the Community and Environmental Services Department for bollards to be installed on Devonshire Road outside nos. 253 to 257 to prevent driving and parking on the pavement.
- 5.5 Councillors Elmes and Singleton of Marton Ward have requested:
(i)£1,590 as funding to the Illuminations Department for the purchase and installation of a large lit Christmas Tree.
(ii)£530 as part funding together with Hawes Side Ward and Tyldesley Ward to the Illuminations Department for the purchase and installation of a large lit Christmas Tree.
- 5.6 Councillors Campbell and Kirkland of Park Ward have requested £3,190 as funding to the Illuminations Department for the purchase and installation of a large lit Christmas Tree to include new infrastructure for the site.
- 5.7 Councillors Cox and Humphreys of Squires Gate Ward have requested:
(i)£995 as funding to the Parks Department for the purchase and installation of 2 large self-watering planters for Highfield Road.
(ii)£750 as funding to the Parks Department for the purchase and installation of a metal picnic table for Louis Horrocks Park.
- 5.8 Councillors I Coleman and Smith of Talbot Ward have requested £1,595 as part funding together with Brunswick Ward to the Illuminations Department for the purchase and installation of a large lit Christmas Tree to include new infrastructure for the site.
- 5.9 Does the information submitted include any exempt information? No

5.10 List of Appendices:

None.

6.0 Legal considerations:

6.1 None.

7.0 Human Resources considerations:

7.1 None.

8.0 Equalities considerations:

8.1 None.

9.0 Financial considerations:

9.1 The requests can be met through existing budgets, with no recurring costs being incurred.

10.0 Risk management considerations:

10.1 None.

11.0 Ethical considerations:

11.1 None.

12.0 Internal/ External Consultation undertaken:

12.1 None.

13.0 Background papers:

13.1 Ward funding application forms.

14.0 Key decision information:

14.1 Is this a key decision? No

14.2 If so, Forward Plan reference number:

14.3 If a key decision, is the decision required in less than five days? N/A

14.4 If **yes**, please describe the reason for urgency:

15.0 Call-in information:

15.1 Are there any grounds for urgency, which would cause this decision to be exempt from the call-in process?

No

15.2 If **yes**, please give reason:

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16.0 Scrutiny Committee Chairman (where appropriate):

Date informed:

Date approved:

17.0 Declarations of interest (if applicable):

17.1 None.

18.0 Executive decision:

18.1 The Leader of the Council agreed the recommendation as outlined above namely:

To authorise the requests, as submitted.

18.2 Date of Decision:

25 October 2018

19.0 Reason(s) for decision:

The requests are in accordance with the Ward Grant initiative.

19.1 Date Decision published:

25 October 2018

20.0 Executive Members in attendance:

20.1

21.0 Call-in:

21.1

22.0 Notes:

22.1