

<b>Notice of:</b>	LEADER OF THE COUNCIL
<b>Decision number:</b>	PH31/2019
<b>Relevant Officer:</b>	Lorraine Hurst, Head of Democratic Governance
<b>Relevant Cabinet Member:</b>	Councillor Simon Blackburn, Leader of the Council
<b>Date of Decision:</b>	5 March 2019

## 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 Galley and Williams of Anchorsholme Ward have requested:
- (i) £4,000 as funding to the Street Scene Department for the purchase and installation of two new bus shelters within Anchorsholme Ward.
  - (ii) £1,000 as funding to the Library Service for the purchase of new children's books for Anchorsholme Library.
  - (iii) £4,350 as funding to the Highways Department for provision of constructing a trench in East Pines Park for a CCTV camera pole and cable.
  - (iv) £3,538 as funding to the Community Safety Division for the supply and fitting of a new CCTV camera in East Pines Park.
  - (v) £2,640 as funding to the Street Scene Department for purchase and installation of 5 new litter bins at various locations within Anchorsholme Ward.
- 5.3 Councillors Cain and Hobson of Bloomfield Ward have requested £425.90 as funding to Bloomfield East Residents and Community Association to purchase a vacuum cleaner, computer printer and 8 folding plastic tables to assist with activities at the Association.
- 5.4 Councillors Hutton and L Taylor of Clifton Ward have requested £3,144.25 as funding to the Highways Department to support highway works to a section of the carriageway at the junction of Brantree Road and Bowness Avenue.
- 5.5 Councillors Ryan and Wright of Greenlands Ward have requested:
- (i) £25,000 as funding to The Rock Gardens Group to support shelter alterations at the Rock Gardens, to include kitchen and toilet facilities.
  - (ii) £30 as part funding to the Library Service for equipment for Moor Park Library.
- 5.6 Councillors D Coleman and Critchley of Hawes Side Ward have requested £1,200 as funding to South Shore Fire Cadets to support 4 Hawes Side Fire Cadets with their Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award.
- 5.7 Councillors Henderson MBE and Hunter of Highfield Wards have requested:
- (i) £1,650 as funding to the Alley Gates Team for the purchase and installation of an alley gate between numbers 81 and 83 Ivy Avenue, to include £300 advertising costs.
  - (ii) £100 as funding to Molyneux Drive Community Association to support a social evening at the Association to raise funds for Hedgehog Rescue Blackpool.
  - (iii) £150.50 as funding to Molyneux Drive Community Association for payment for a TV Licence for the Community Centre.

- 5.8 Councillors Cross and Rowson of Ingthorpe Ward have requested £2,350 as funding to the Community and Environmental Services Department towards the repainting of road lines within Ingthorpe Ward.
- 5.9 Councillors Benson and Mitchell of Layton Ward have requested:  
(i)£2,400 as funding to the Parks Department to paint playground markings on the newly resurfaced playground at Kingscote Park.  
(ii)£1,672.08 as funding to the Highways Department to repaint the road markings around Layton Square roundabout and zebra crossing.  
(iii)£347.24 as funding to Layton Primary School towards new reading books for KS1 pupils.
- 5.10 Councillors Elmes and Singleton of Marton Ward have requested £2,000 as funding to Blackpool Boccia Club to support the running of the sports club for disabled adults.
- 5.11 Councillor Campbell and Kirkland of Park Ward have requested £3,000 as funding to Redeeming Our Communities in support of a garden project a Grange Park.
- 5.12 Councillors Roberts and Stansfield of Stanley Ward have requested:  
(i)£880 as funding to the Environmental Services Department for the purchase and installation of two new litter bins on Midgeland Road.  
(ii)£5,000 as funding to Our Lady Of The Assumption Catholic Primary School towards the purchase of a polytunnel and plants as part of a healthy living project.
- 5.13 Councillors I Coleman and Smith of Talbot Ward have requested £3,300 as funding to the Parks Department towards maintenance works and tree planting on Newcastle Avenue.
- 5.14 Councillors Collett and Matthews of Tyldesley Ward have requested:  
(i)£4,350 as funding to the Alley Gates Team for the purchase and installation of alley gates on Somerset Avenue, to include £300 advertising costs.  
(ii)£1,000 as funding to Blackpool Art Society towards upgrading the Society studio, particularly the kitchen area.
- 5.15 Councillors D Scott and M Scott of Warbreck Ward have requested £841.40 as funding to Holy Family Catholic Primary School for the purchase of new books for pupils for home reading.
- 5.16 Councillors O’Hara and Robertson BEM of Waterloo Ward having requested £3,260 as funding to the Parks Department towards maintenance and replanting of the area outside the Waldorf Hotel.

5.17 Does the information submitted include any exempt information? No

**5.18 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:**

5 March 2019

**19.0 Reason(s) for decision:**

The requests are in accordance with the Ward Grant initiative.

**19.1 Date Decision published:**

5 March 2019

**20.0 Executive Members in attendance:**

20.1

**21.0 Call-in:**

21.1

**22.0 Notes:**

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