

## **TOWN CLERK'S REPORT – 30<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2021 COUNCIL**

### **6. GRANTS BUDGET UPDATE ON APPROVALS TO DATE AND CURRENT APPLICATIONS (attached 6.a.i and ii and 6.b.i.ii and iii)**

**a) Andrew Mullen, Sterts Centre – Purchase and Installation of a “Changing Places” toilet at the Sterts Centre. (£500) b) Clare Bevan – Lighthouse Community Centre – Men’s mental health club (requesting from £500 minimum to possible £5,000).**

**a) Andrew Mullen, Sterts Centre – Purchase and Installation of a “Changing Places” toilet at the Sterts Centre. (£500). The application is attached as 6.a.i and the accounts at 6.a.ii.**

**b). Clare Bevan – Lighthouse Community Centre – men’s mental health club – requesting from £500 minimum to possible £5,000. The application is attached at 6.b.i and the accounts are attached as 6.b.ii. Further information on the breakdown including the spend and make of the non-Town Council funding is attached at 6.b.iii**

Background – this application was initially received at the 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2021 Council. Owing to unforeseen circumstances, nobody was able to attend to speak in support of the application. There were several questions and points raised and consequently the item was differed to the next meeting of Council as noted in the minute below.

“404 / 20 SOCIAL EMERGENCY FUND – b) Clare Bevan – Lighthouse Community Centre – Men’s mental health club (requesting from £500 minimum to a possible £5,000).

It was noted that due to unforeseen circumstances the applicant had given their apologies for the meeting. After discussion, it was decided to defer the item until the 30th March 2021 Council meeting. The applicant should be asked to consider:

- Whether it was more appropriate to apply to the main grants fund as the project is not specific to support related to the pandemic.
- Alternative provision – is the applicant aware of the other Mental Health Initiatives? For example, Liskeard Fire Station has a men’s mental health provision. How does the project relate to them?
- The grant is only to cover part of the project costs. How would the shortfall be funded and what would happen if the other money is not raised?”

Clare Bevan had supplied account as attached with the note.

“Our turnover was lower than usual due to spending much of the year focusing our efforts on setting up the waterspouts club, Emotional Logic and training staff in both areas. However the benefits of that will be seen in this coming years accounts.”

Grants Budget 2020/2021	£10,000
Cornwall Air Ambulance – Equipment	£300
St Martin’s Church “Christmas Carols Car Park”	£500
Approved	£800
Remaining Budget	£9,200
Andrew Mullan – Sterts - Changing Places toilet	£500
Clare Bevan – Lighthouse Community CIC – Mens’ Mental Health Club	£500 - £5,000
If approved new total	£1,800
Left to allocate until 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2021	£8,200

Note on the Social Emergency Fund (S.E.F.) – Amount approved - £17,767.62 – Amount Allocated £2,232.38.

**RECOMMENDATIONS:** a. That the Council consider the application from the Sterts Arts Centre. b. That the Council consider the application from the Lighthouse Community Centre CIC.

**7. CATTLE MARKET UPDATE – NEXT STEPS – a) To note the update in the Clerk’s Report on development related to the cattle market. b) To update on the latest guidance on the issue of obtaining specialist advice on “state aids” regulations. c) To discuss the setting up of a Cattle Market Makers working group, draft terms of reference to be brought to April full council.**

**a) To note the update in the Clerk’s Report on development related to the cattle market.**

Cornwall Council have provided the update below which relates to several cattle market related items.

Demolition:

- \* North Sheds have now been demolished and heras fencing installed around perimeter
- \* Remainder of buildings are demolished except for selective demolition of Building 13 at the SW of site per party wall agreement. Works are now agreed and ongoing.

- \* All ground floor hardstanding and foundations to be dug up starting on 25th March 2021 except for two areas pending soil investigation results and planning condition discharge.

#### Workshed:

- \* Tender period is complete with returns now received and under review with MWJV and CC. There have been several returns which is positive. The analysis will obviously be critical in understanding what flexibility could exist in the budget in the future.

- \* Utility coordination with the wider site and the CLLD scheme is ongoing.

#### CC Front Facing Hub:

- \* The Liskeard Cattle Market hub is part of tranche 1 of the estates transformation project. At present proposals are expected to go to Cabinet in July, but this will still be a relatively high level business case with opportunity for local input in to the detailed design thereafter.

#### CLLD:

- \* The planning application and final funding applications have been submitted. Determination of the planning application will be at committee after the elections.

- \* Final external and internal design is reaching completion

#### Doctors Surgery:

- \* The doctors surgery has now commissioned external resource to help build the business case, contact has been made with professional services including Architects to complete this work, and £10,000 of funding is being arranged by Economic Growth DLT to facilitate this.

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#### Small Units:

- \* Draft HoTs provided by CC are being reviewed by the current tenants. We have tried to address their concerns and honestly reflect the challenges of the desire to balance ongoing trading, economic rents for the tenants, and the reality of the cost of operating those units for the Council.

#### JTP Public Consultation:

- \* Two feedback sessions have been held in respect of the community uses consultation, and there is a further session on Friday with Cornwall Council members to pick up any issues arising.

\* An updated newsletter has been circulated. The emphasis is on reflecting conversations that have been had, but preserving the ability for other future conv

**b) To update on the latest guidance on the issue of obtaining specialist advice on “state aids” regulations.**

Cornwall Council have agreed to commission and pay towards the advice. They will instruct the work through a framework contract that they have with an external law firm, who have provided advice on their other projects and will be well placed to work on this one. The instruction will include the need to provide advice to both Liskeard Town Council as the accountable body and Cornwall Council who are delivering the capital element, to ensure both parties can rely on the advice.