

CONGLETON TOWN COUNCIL

COMMITTEE REPORTS AND UPDATES

COMMITTEE:	Finance and Policy Committee		
MEETING DATE AND TIME	14th March 2024 7.00 pm	LOCATION	Congleton Town Hall
REPORT FROM	Serena Van Schepdael: R.F.O		
AGENDA ITEM REPORT TITLE	11 Grant Applications Cover Report		
Background	The current available balance for Permitted Financial Assistance applications is £3,582. The total for applications presented for permitted grants is £5,106. (One application is over the £1,000 with discretion maximum, 3 applications are for events in the next financial year). This is the final Finance and Policy meeting of the year.		
Update	The new Grants Policy Criteria can be found here: CONGLETON TOWN COUNCIL-DRAFT GRANTS & FUNDING POLICY (congleton-tc.gov.uk)		
Details	<p>11.1 Congleton Pride They have applied for £856 towards the costs of a stage for the July 2024 Event, total project cost is £8,166. They have provided a quote which the applicant has confirmed is the chosen company due to a generous discount being applied to the original cost of £1,673. Previous recent grants awarded are: £360 in this financial year, £500 in 2022-2023.</p> <p>11.2 The Green Tree House They have applied for a grant of £1,480, applicant advised that the maximum is £1,000 but with committee discretion. Total project cost is £14,000. The grant is to purchase food pallets, previous accounts have been provided. Previous grants are £750 in 2022-2023 and £2,000 in 2020-2021.</p> <p>11.3 Marton and District CofE Primary School Parent Teacher Association They have applied for a grant of £1,000 towards new playground equipment. Total project cost is £12430. No recent previous grants. Grant application states 95% of pupils that attend this school are from CW12 Congleton postcodes.</p> <p>11.4 SOL Theatre School They have applied for £730 to contribute toward funding for students attending the two-week summer school. Total project cost is £21,000. Recent grants are £525 in 2022-23, and £600 in 2019-2020.</p> <p>11.5 Our Gang- Congleton Scout & Guide Gang Show They have applied for a grant of £800 towards a project of £27,410, which will go towards lighting and sound for the 2024 show. The previous grant award was in 2022 for £750. A breakdown of costs has been provided, and a quote requested.</p> <p>11.6 Mossley Toddler Group</p>		

	<p>They have applied for £240 towards a project of £480 which is to improve equipment. No previous applications.</p> <p>Details correct at the time of Agenda publish date, verbal updates on applications will also be provided by the RFO where needed.</p>
Financial	Approved Grant awards will reduce the relevant budget line.
Environmental	No implications for this decision.
Equality and Diversity	No implications for this decision.
Decision Request	To discuss and approve Financial Assistance applications.