

## OFFICER DECISION RECORD 2 FORM

This form should be used to record Officer Decisions which have a financial impact (income/expenditure) between £25k - £100k.

**ODR Reference Number: CR/396/07/20**

**APPLICATIONS FOR:**

**DONCASTER COMMUNITY FUND – WARD MEMBER BUDGET**

**BOX 1.**

**DIRECTORATE: Corporate Resources      DATE: 05.06.2020**

**Contact Name: Andrew Sercombe, Governance Manager**

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**Subject Matter: Approval of Funding from the Doncaster Community Fund – Ward Member Budget No 46, 47, 48, 49, 50 & 51**

**BOX 2**

**DECISION TAKEN:**

To approve the following application for grant funding from the Doncaster Community Fund – Ward Member Budget

- a. **Rossington Good Neighbours**  
Reference No: 46/DCF/WBCV19/Ros&Baw  
Supported by: Councillor Rachael Blake, Councillor John Cooke & Councillor Mick Cooper  
Cost £800.00 (£266.66 x 3 Councillors)
- b. **Rossington Cricket Club**  
Reference No: 47/DCF/WBCV19/Ros&Baw  
Supported by: Councillor Rachel Blake, Councillor John Cooke & Councillor Mick Cooper  
Cost £300.00 (£100.00 x 3 Councillors)
- c. **Wildings Community Group**  
Reference No: 48/DCF/WBCV19/BS  
Supported by: Councillor John Healy & Councillor Nuala Fennelly  
Cost £500.00 (£124.67 – Cllr John Healy, £375.33 – Cllr Nuala Fennelly)
- d. **DN7 Community Foodbank**  
Reference No: 49/DCF/WBCV19/St&BD  
Supported by: Councillor George Derx  
Cost £1000.00
- e. **Highfields Community Support**  
Reference No: 50/DCF/WBCV19/Adw&Car  
Supported by: Councillor John Mounsey, Councillor David Hughes, Councillor Rachel Hodson  
Cost £2000.00 (£666.66 x 3 Councillors)

- f. **47<sup>th</sup> Doncaster (Edenthorpe) Scout Group**  
**Reference No: 51/DCF/WBCV19/Ed&KS**  
**Supported by: Councillor Andrea Robinson**  
**Cost £1135.00**

**BOX 3**  
**REASON FOR DECISION AND ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED:**

**Doncaster Community Fund Ward Member Budget 2020/21**  
**Approval of Applications**

Further to the establishment of a ward Members Budget of upto £3k per Councillor (ODR No: CR/352/04/20,) a number of applications have been received and assessed in line with the application criteria and supported by the relevant ward Councillor (s).

**Legal Considerations:**

Section 236 of the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007 provides that an authority may make arrangements for individual Members to exercise functions of the authority in relation to the electoral division or ward for which the Member is elected.

In implementing the scheme and agreeing grant applications the Council must ensure this is in accordance with its Financial Procedure Rules. Any parties accepting the grant must formally agree to the terms and conditions of the grant funding. Appropriate monitoring of activities and expenses will be undertaken where necessary to ensure compliance.

**Financial Considerations**

The Doncaster Community Fund Elected Members Ward Budget is included as part of the £280k Locality Budgets contained within the 2020/21 Revenue Budget. Within this allocation each elected Member is allocated up to £3k (£165k in total across all 55 elected Members) to support local groups and organisations to undertake activities and initiatives to support communities and individuals affected by the COVID 19 pandemic.

A central record of grants allocated will be maintained by the Corporate Governance Team within Legal and Democratic Services – this will reconcile to the grant payments made and record the outcomes achieved through the use of the grant funding.

This is an allocation of existing 2020/21 revenue budget and so is contained within the Council's current budget envelope.

The individual applications below, detail the extent to which the initiative will seek to make a positive impact in the community and ensure the most vulnerable people within Doncaster Communities are supported in a safe and responsible way during the Covid 19 pandemic.

- a. **Rossington Good Neighbours**  
**Reference No: 46/DCF/WBCV19/Ros&Baw**  
**Supported by: Councillor Rachael Blake, Councillor John Cooke & Councillor Mick Cooper**  
**Cost £800.00 (£266.66 x 3 Councillors)**

Funding will purchase food and the group will be able to restart home deliveries of a two course meal, twice per week to isolated residents in Rossington.

- b. Rossington Cricket Club**  
**Reference No: 47/DCF/WBCV19/Ros&Baw**  
**Supported by: Councillor Rachel Blake, Councillor John Cooke & Councillor Mick Cooper**  
**Cost £300.00 (£100.00 x 3 Councillors)**

The funding will help keep the Cricket club viable and cricket matches can still be offered at the same cost as before, which is particularly important for families who are struggling due to the effects of COVID-19.

- c. Wildings Community Group**  
**Reference No: 48/DCF/WBCV19/BS**  
**Supported by: Councillor John Healy & Councillor Nuala Fennelly**  
**Cost £500.00 (£124.67 – Cllr John Healy, £375.33 – Cllr Nuala Fennelly)**

Funding will enable the group to purchase stories, games, crafts, information, reflection and cover many skills and holistic development opportunities to include in an activity pack which will be delivered to socially isolated and vulnerable children, helping to improve their emotional health and wellbeing.

- d. DN7 Community Foodbank**  
**Reference No: 49/DCF/WBCV19/St&BD**  
**Supported by: Councillor George Derx**  
**Cost £1000.00**

Due to increase in demand the funding would help to purchase food to cover an area outside of the postcode area but within the confines of the Ward Boundary covering Barnby Dun.

- e. Highfields Community Support**  
**Reference No: 50/DCF/WBCV19/Adw&Car**  
**Supported by: Councillor John Mounsey, Councillor David Hughes, Councillor Rachel Hodson**  
**Cost £1500.00 (£500 x 3 Councillors)**

The group will purchase of activity books, games, puzzles, craft materials make them up into activity packs and deliver them to all age groups, which will help the children of Highfields and Woodfield and Adwick primary schools with social isolation.

- f. 47<sup>th</sup> Doncaster (Edenthorpe) Scout Group**  
**Reference No: 51/DCF/WBCV19/Ed&KS**  
**Supported by: Councillor Andrea Robinson**  
**Cost £1135.00**

Children have begun working towards badges at home during isolation, and the funding will cover postage, consumables and stationery to help them obtain these badges. Also the funding helps towards the lost income as subs are currently suspended but the group still have revenue costs which are being incurred.

**BOX 4**  
**BACKGROUND PAPERS**  
None.

**BOX 5**  
**INFORMATION NOT FOR PUBLICATION:**

This decision may be published on the Council's website. The individual grant application forms are not available for publication as they contain personal and financial information in respect of the applicant.

**Name:** Sarah Corbett\_ **Signature:** via email. **Date:** 05/06/20

Signature of FOI Lead Officer for service area where ODR originates

**BOX 6**  
**AUTHORISATION:**

**Name:** Scott Fawcus **Signature:**  **Date:** 5 June 2020

Scott Fawcus  
Assistant Director Legal and Democratic Services

Does this decision require authorisation by the Chief Financial Officer or other Officer?

YES/No

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