

THE CITY BRIDGE TRUST COMMITTEE

Wednesday, 30 October 2019

Minutes of the meeting of The City Bridge Trust Committee held at the Guildhall EC2 at 4.00 pm

Present

Members:

Dhruv Patel (Chairman)	Jeremy Mayhew
Alderman Alison Gowman (Deputy Chairman)	Wendy Mead
Simon Duckworth	Deputy Richard Regan
Marianne Fredericks	Ian Seaton
Deputy Jamie Ingham Clark	Deputy Dr Giles Shilson
Deputy Edward Lord	Jannat Hossain (Co-opted Member)

Officers:

Joseph Anstee	- Town Clerk's Department
Jenny Field	- The City Bridge Trust
Ciaran Rafferty	- The City Bridge Trust
Julia Mirkin	- The City Bridge Trust
Catherine Mahoney	- The City Bridge Trust
Shegufta Slawther	- The City Bridge Trust
Edith Parker	- Chamberlain's Department
Natalie Jordan	- City Bridge Trust

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from William Hoyle, Alderwoman Susan Langley, Paul Martinelli.

2. MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS UNDER THE CODE OF CONDUCT IN RESPECT OF ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

There were no declarations.

3. OUTSTANDING ACTIONS

The Committee received a list of outstanding actions, noting those which were on the agenda or were scheduled for a future date or meeting.

RESOLVED – That the Outstanding Actions update be noted.

4. GRANTS BUDGET AND APPLICATIONS TODAY

The Committee received a report of the CGO summarising grant applications recommended for decision at the meeting, and those that had been considered since the last meeting under schemes of delegation.

RESOLVED – That the report be noted.

5. GRANTS AND STRATEGIC INITIATIVES RECOMMENDATIONS AND ASSESSMENTS

a) Grants Recommended Between £100,000 and £250,000

The Committee received a report of the CGO advising Members of funds recommended for approval for amounts between £50,000 and £250,000, including strategic initiatives.

RESOLVED – That the City Bridge Trust Committee and approve the recommended amounts for the following applications:

1. Kensington and Chelsea Social Council

APPROVED A grant of £210,000 over four years (4 X £52,500) towards 0.8 FTE salary costs, programme costs and overheads of delivering a programme to increase resident's voice and participation in running and Influencing local services. The second year's grant is conditional upon an increased level of free reserves.

2. Merton Voluntary Service Council

APPROVED £122,000 over two further and final years (£64,000; £58,000) towards the salaries of the Head of Development (0.8FTE) and CEO (0.2FTE); project costs and overheads; and fees for an income-generation consultant of £8,000 in year one. Release of the second year's grant is conditional upon year-end accounts evidencing financial recovery, including increased level of free reserves.

3. The Interlink Foundation

APPROVED £250,000 over five years (5 x £50,000) towards the salary of a FTE Development Officer and related running costs of a project supporting capacity building, and resilience amongst Charedi organisations; partnership and collaboration with other sectors and communities in North London; and to train Charedi CSOs and develop community leadership.

4. Toynbee Hall

APPROVED £161,400 over three further and final years (£60,600; £61,200, £39,600) towards the salary costs of the P/T Wellbeing Centre & Volunteer Coordinator (3dpw) and associated running costs for the Centre for Wellbeing project.

5. Children and Families Across Borders

APPROVED £99,800 over two further and final years (£49,200; £50,600) to cover the costs of a FTE Social Worker and Caseworker and associated programme and running costs.

6. Circles South East

APPROVED £150,000 over 3 years (£50,000 per year) for the full-time salary of a Circle Co-ordinator, volunteer training and associated costs.

7. Refugee Action

APPROVED £119,000 over a further and final two years (£59,000; £60,000) towards the cost of a 4 days per week Project Co-ordinator, volunteer costs, a contribution to core costs and direct management, and associated running costs.

8. Spectra CIC

APPROVED £150,000 over 18 months (£100,000; £50,000) for the start-up and developmental costs of the TLP Project to develop and submit full-scale research proposals, partnership support, community-based identification/testing of research ideas and the initial MVE development.

b) **Grants Recommended Over £250,000**

The Committee received a report of the CGO advising Members of funds recommended for approval for amounts over £250,000. The CGO introduced each application to Members and outlined the proposal.

RESOLVED – That the City Bridge Trust Committee and approve the recommended amounts for the following applications:

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6. **TO CONSIDER REPORTS OF THE CGO AS FOLLOWS:**

a) **Applications Recommended for Rejection**

The Committee considered a report of the CGO outlining a total of 8 grant applications that were recommended for rejection.

RESOLVED – That the Committee reject the grant applications listed in the accompanying schedule.

b) **Funds Approved or Declined Under Delegated Authority**

The Committee received a report of the CGO which advised Members of twelve expenditure items, totalling £155,124, which had been presented for approval under delegated authority to the CGO in consultation with the Chairman and Deputy Chairman.

RESOLVED – That the report be noted.

c) **Withdrawn and Lapsed Applications**

The Committee received a report of the CGO which provided details of three applications which had been withdrawn or had lapsed.

RESOLVED – That the report be noted.

d) **Variations to Grants/Funds Awarded**

The Committee received a report of the CGO which advised Members of a variation to one grant agreed by the CGO since the last meeting.

RESOLVED – That the report be noted.

7. **QUESTIONS ON MATTERS RELATING TO THE WORK OF THE COMMITTEE**

There were no questions.

8. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT THE CHAIRMAN CONSIDERS TO BE URGENT**

There was no other business.

9. **EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC**

RESOLVED – That under Section 100(A) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act.

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Exempt Paragraphs

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10. **QUESTIONS ON MATTERS RELATING TO THE WORK OF THE COMMITTEE**

There were no questions.

11. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT THE CHAIRMAN CONSIDERS URGENT AND WHICH THE COMMITTEE AGREE SHOULD BE CONSIDERED WHILST THE PUBLIC ARE EXCLUDED**

There was no other business.

The meeting closed at 4.15 pm

Chairman

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