



Finance Grants Sub-Committee of the Finance Committee

Date: TUESDAY, 29 MAY 2012

Time: 12.00 pm

Venue: COMMITTEE ROOM - 2ND FLOOR WEST WING, GUILDHALL

Members:	Roger Chadwick (Chairman)	Wendy Hyde
	Ray Catt (Deputy Chairman)	Alderman Sir Paul Judge
	Nigel Challis	Anthony Llewelyn-Davies
	Simon Duckworth	Deputy Edward Lord
	Deputy Revd Stephen Haines	Jeremy Mayhew
	Tom Hoffman	John Scott

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Lunch will be served in Guildhall Club at 1pm

Chris Duffield
Town Clerk and Chief Executive

AGENDA

Part 1 - Public Agenda

1. **APOLOGIES**
2. **DECLARATIONS BY MEMBERS OF ANY PERSONAL AND PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS IN RESPECT OF ITEMS ON THIS AGENDA**
3. **MINUTES**
To agree the public minutes of the meeting held on 15 November 2012 (copy attached).

For Decision
(Pages 1 - 4)

4. **GUIDELINES FOR GRANTS**
Report of the Town Clerk (copy attached).

For Information
(Pages 5 - 6)

5. **QUESTIONS ON MATTERS RELATING TO THE WORK OF THE COMMITTEE**
6. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT THE CHAIRMAN CONSIDERS URGENT**
7. **EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC**

MOTION – That under Section 100A(4) 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 as follows: -

<u>Item No.</u>	<u>Paragraph(s) in Schedule 12A</u>
8	3
9	3
11 & 12	-

Part 2 - Non-public Agenda

8. GRANT APPLICATIONS

Joint report of the Town Clerk and Chamberlain (copy attached).

Annex	Organisation
Annex 1	The Arab British Centre
Annex 2	St John's Church of England School
Annex 3	The 1Click Charitable Trust
Annex 4	SKMB Community Interest Group
Annex 5	Flowers in the City Campaign
Annex 6	The Engineering Development Trust
Annex 7	Dr Johnson's House
Annex 8	All Hallows by the Tower
Annex 9	Freightliners City Farm

For Decision
(Pages 7 - 110)

9. ANALYSIS OF GRANTS AGREED FOR THE FIVE YEARS 2007/08 TO 2011/12 Report of the Chamberlain (copy attached).

For Information
(Pages 111 - 142)

10. REPORTS FROM RECIPIENTS OF GRANTS Report of the Town Clerk (copy attached).

For Information
(Pages 143 - 152)

11. QUESTIONS ON MATTERS RELATING TO THE WORK OF THE SUB-COMMITTEE

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

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FINANCE GRANTS SUB COMMITTEE

15 November 2011

Minutes of the meeting of the FINANCE GRANTS SUB COMMITTEE held at Guildhall, EC2 on TUESDAY, 15 November 2011 at 12.00 noon.

Present

Members:

Roger Chadwick (Chairman)
Ray Catt (Deputy Chairman)
Dennis Cotgrove
Simon Duckworth
Kevin Everett
Anthony Llewelyn-Davies
Tom Hoffman
Jeremy Mayhew
John Scott
Deputy Dr Giles Shilson

Billy Dove – Ex-officio

Officers:

Ignacio Falcon	- Town Clerk's Office
Julie Mayer	Town Clerk's Office
Steve Reynolds	Chamberlain's Department
Carolyn Piper	Community & Children's Services Department

Also present:

Barbara Riddell	- Independent Grant Assessor
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1. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Deputy Rev. Stephen Haines.
The Chairman welcomed two the new Members; Deputy Anthony Eskenzi and Tom Hoffman.

2. DECLARATIONS BY MEMBERS OF PERSONAL OR PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS IN RESPECT OF ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED AT THIS MEETING

Deputy Dr Shilson declared a personal interest in item 8 by virtue of being an alumnus of City University.

Mr Mayhew, Mr Duckworth and Mr Everett declared personal interests in item 8 by virtue of links to the City University.

The Chairman declared a personal interest in respect of Item 8 as St Olave's was located in his ward.

None of the above was deemed to be prejudicial.

3. MINUTES

The public minutes of the meeting held on 31 May 2011 were approved.

4. GUIDELINES FOR GRANTS/NEW RELIEF OF POVERTY CHARITY

The Sub Committee received a report of the Town Clerk, which set out proposed amendments to the Guidelines to be observed by the Grants Sub Committee. One of the amendments reflected the fact that the Finance Committee and Grants Sub Committee would be responsible for the revised Relief of Poverty Charity.

With reference to the question of whether grants should be made to individual applicants, the Chairman commented that the sub-committed was not equipped to assess and monitor charitable donations to individuals and, therefore, he argued policy should remain that only organisations were eligible to apply. Members endorsed this view.

Seeing that the Relief of Poverty charity had accrued a modest unrestricted fund, Members felt that a good way to re-launch the charity was to make a one-off donation of £5,000 to three eligible organisations in time for Christmas. A few names were suggested and the Town Clerk was instructed to approach some the suggested organisations to seek confirmation that they would be willing to use the donation in a way that met the objectives of the Relief of Poverty charity. The Sub Committee agreed that a report, with recommendations, be provided at the next Finance Committee meeting (before Christmas).

RESOLVED, That:

1. the revised Guidelines for the Finance Committee Grants Scheme be agreed, as per Appendix C of the report;
2. the Investment Policy for the funds of the Relief of Poverty Charity be endorsed, as per paragraph 16 of the report; and
3. a report with recommendations be provided at the next Finance Committee meeting (before Christmas).

5. QUESTIONS ON MATTERS RELATING TO THE WORK OF THE COMMITTEE

There were no questions

6. URGENT ITEMS

There were no items of urgent business.

7. EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC

RESOLVED – That under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting of 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 as follows:-

Item No.	Paragraph(s) in Schedule 12A
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MATTERS CONSIDERED WHILST THE PUBLIC WERE EXCLUDED

8. GRANT APPLICATIONS

The Sub Committee considered a report of the Chamberlain outlining applications for Finance Committee assistance received since the last meeting.

RESOLVED: That having considered the applications for grants and decided how much, if any, should be granted in each case and determined whether individual grants should be made available from your City's Cash budget or from the City Educational Trust Fund:-

- i) the following applications be agreed to and that they be funded from the City Educational Trust:-

Clio's Company

A one-off grant of £4,000 towards the costs of replica costumes and tudor artefacts for drama education workshops.

- (ii) the following applications be agreed to and that they be funded from City's Cash:-

Coram's Fields

A grant of £40,000 over 2 years (£25,000 in 2011/12, £15,000 in 2012/13) towards the cost of developing the charity's fundraising capacity.

St Olave, Hart Street

A one-off grant of £10,000 towards the costs of reinstating the bust of Dr Peter Turner, to be released on a match-funding basis.

- (iii) the following applications be not agreed to:-

Youth Music Club

That no contribution be awarded towards the costs of national auditions as this was not considered to be the most appropriate use of funds available.

City University

That no contribution be awarded towards the capital costs of City Sports; a new sports centre for the university and the community as this was not considered to be the most appropriate use of funds available.

City Quests Media

That no contribution be awarded towards the development of a computer game as this was not considered to be the most appropriate use of funds available and the organisation was not a registered charity.

9. REPORTS FROM RECIPIENTS OF GRANTS

The Sub Committee considered a report of the Town Clerk providing Members with information on those organisations that have been awarded grants by the Finance Grants Sub Committee.

RESOLVED: That the report be received and its contents noted.

10. BENEFITS AND GRANTS IN KIND

The Sub Committee considered a report of the Town Clerk providing Members with information the current recipients of benefits and grant in kind.

RESOLVED: That:-

1. the updated report be received and the recipients of benefits and grants in kind relating to 2011/12 be noted;
2. the policy that no grants in kind to charities or other external organisations should be made by committees or officers without the agreement of your Committee subject to a de minimis of £2,500 be reaffirmed; and
3. the definition of grants in kind be confirmed, as set out in the report.

11. QUESTIONS

There were no questions.

12. URGENT BUSINESS

There was no urgent business.

The meeting closed at 1.20 pm.

CHAIRMAN

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FINANCE COMMITTEE GRANTS SCHEME - GUIDELINES

The Finance Committee makes small grants to organisations to support work in the areas of heritage and conservation, education and relief of poverty. The Committee will occasionally make grants outside these areas where charitable initiatives present a strong case for funding.

The following guidelines will be observed by the Sub-Committee. All disbursement are subject to any legal restrictions on the award of funding outside the City of London or Greater London:-

- (a) The applicant must demonstrate **either:-**
 - a sufficiently strong connection with the City; for example, that the applicant's audience are City residents or workers; **or**
 - that the appeal is of a special nationwide charitable activity
 - (b) Preference will be given to requests where a grant would be utilised for the active furtherance of charitable objectives rather than for the salaries of the employees;
 - (c) In education matters, assistance will be given to organisations having education as an objective or which seek to sponsor the pursuit of further and higher education;
 - (d) Grants will be given to organisations rather than individuals;
 - (e) New applications will not normally be considered from a recipient of a grant within a three year period; and;
 - (f) It is unlikely that grants would be made to an organisation already in receipt of financial support through the London-wide scheme and/or the local grants to voluntary organisations scheme;
 - (g) It is also unlikely that grants will be made to organisations which have historically received a large proportion of their funding from central government or other local government sources. It is generally preferred to assist those charitable organisations which have not received the majority, if any, of their funding from such sources; and
 - (h) Organisations that have received a grant for similar activities from the City Bridge Trust Committee will not normally be funded by the Finance Committee.
- NB: The above are 'Guidelines' only and the Committee retains total discretion as to whether an application is supported. Therefore whilst an application might not meet the above requirements, it may be supported if the Committee deems it worthwhile.

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