

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

15 MAY 2017

APPLICATIONS FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE – GRANT APPLICATIONS

REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK

1. Cape Cornwall Gig Club

1.1 The Town Council has received a request for financial assistance from the Cape Cornwall Gig Club for new boat launching trolleys.

1.2 Given the location of the club and its boat house at Sennen Harbour the use of launching trolleys for transporting the boat to and from the sea is an essential part of the club's equipment, and the current trolleys have now come to the end of their use and are not repairable.

1.3 The club which was founded in 1989 remains the only club to have its base, boats and training sessions and events in the local area. The club's Youth Officer works closely with Cape Cornwall School, encouraging pupils to "get into rowing". Without the use of the trolleys it would be difficult for the club to transfer gigs safely, especially when the junior crews are training.

1.4 The club is a non-profit making organisation a member of the Cornwall Pilot Gig Association, and therefore complies with health & safety and safe guarding & welfare procedures etc.

1.5 The club has obtained a quotation for the manufacture of the trolleys at a cost of £630.00.

1.6 The Town Council has made the following previous grant awards to the club

- £850.00 Oct 2014
- £700.00 Oct 2010
- £100.00 Apr 2003
- £100.00 Mar 2002
- £25.00 Apr 2001

1.7 The club has submitted accounts for the period 1 October 2015 to 30 September 2016 which shows £481 excess expenditure over income, and balances in its bank accounts of £2,447.

2. Pendeen Minors

2.1 The Town Council has also received a request for grant funding from Pendeen Minors – a parent led playgroup and family support group towards its "Stay and Play" project which aims to upgrade basic facilities and add learning value to the playgroup for babies and toddlers.

- 2.2 The playgroup is aimed at babies, toddlers, pre-school children and their families to provide a variety of fun and educational activities together with a support network for parents from the village and surrounding areas. It is a non-profit making group where the entrance fee charged is be used to buy refreshments and pay for the venue hire.
- 2.3 The Town Council previously helped to support the establishment of the group by awarding a £150.00 start-up grant in October 2015. There are currently up to 14 children attending the sessions.
- 2.4 The grant would be used to purchase heavy duty play mats / bean bags / scooters & helmets and some sundry items.
- 2.5 The group provides much needed support to local families and assist in increasing contact with health and council services. A health team visits the group monthly to weigh babies and provide advice.
- 2.6 The group has submitted copies of its latest accounts which show a balance of £309 86 as at 20th April, 2017.

3. Remaining Budget Provision in 2017 / 2108

- 3.1 There is currently £15,000.00 remaining in the 2017 / 2018 budget for grant applications.

4. The Town Council's instructions are sought.

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Background papers: Applications submitted on 7 April 2017