TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

25 MARCH 2013

APPLICATIONS FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE – GRANT APPLICATIONS

REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK

1. St Just Twinning Association

- 1.1 The Town Council has received a request for grant funding from the St Just Twinning Association towards the cost of hosting French musicians and choirs from Huelgoat, Brittany who will be performing in a combined concert as part of the Lafrowda festival from 5 7 July 2013.
- 1.2 A concert will be held in St Just, together with smaller events being held around the town.
- 1.3 Grant funding, if awarded will be used to provide accommodation at the St Just Youth Hostel for which a special discounted price has been negotiated of £19.95 per person per day. Total cost of £997.50. There will also be catering costs estimated at £20.00 per person. Total cost of £500.00
- 1.4 The event will be a celebration of Cornish and Breton Celtic music which will add an additional dimension to complement the annual St Just Lafrowda Festival. This initiative will help to further develop links between St Just and Huelgoat, building on the relationships already established following trips which have already been undertaken such as the visit last year to Huelgoat by the St Just Football Team.
- 1.5 The visit will also strengthen the towns profile in Brittany and hopefully encourage more French tourists to the area. It is also hoped that these events will help to foster links between artists and craft makers in the two localities providing additional markets for their works.
- 1.6 The Association has not specified an amount. No other organisations have been approached for funding but the Association is organising fundraising events.
- 1.7 The Town Council has previously made the following grant awards to the Association
 - £300.00 Sept 2009
- 1.8 The Association has provided a copy of its authorised income and expenditure up to 11 December 2012 which shows a balance of £1,049.33.

2. Remaining Budget Provision in 2012 / 2013

- 2.1 There is currently £900.00 remaining in the 2012 / 2013 budget for grant applications.
- 3. The Town Council's instructions are sought.

As I will not be attending the Council meeting on Monday a copy of the full application will be available for inspection at the meeting.

Elaine Baker Town Clerk

Background papers: Applications submitted 18 March 2013.