

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

27 JANUARY 2014

APPLICATIONS FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE – GRANT APPLICATION

REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK

1. Arthritis Research UK

1.1 The Town Council has received a request for grant funding from Arthritis Research UK towards the cost of research into the cause, treatment and cure of all forms of arthritis and providing information to the general public, sufferers and their carers.

1.2 Despite being a national charity a considerable amount of work is carried out locally. A current research project is being carried out at The Royal Cornwall Hospitals Trust which is trying to identify a particular risk factor of developing rheumatoid arthritis. This work is supported in St Just by a fundraising branch of volunteers.

1.3 Arthritis Research UK is the biggest funder in the UK of research into the cause, treatment and cure of all forms of arthritis. 1 in 6 of the population suffers the pain and disability of some form of arthritis and it is likely that 1,000 sufferers in the St Just area will benefit from the work.

1.4 A grant of £300.00 has been suggested which equates to a 0.30p donation per likely sufferer in St Just-in-Penwith.

1.5 A copy of the Annual Report and Financial Statement 2011 – 12 has been submitted with the application and can be inspected in the Town Clerk's Office.

1.6 The Town Council has made the following previous grant award to Arthritis Research UK

- £300.00 Feb 2013
- £100.00 Jan 2012

2. The Town Council's instructions are sought.

Elaine Baker
Town Clerk

Background papers: Application form received 20 January 2014