NORTH HERTFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

DECISION SHEET

Meeting of the Southern Rural Committee held in the Council Chamber, Council Offices.

Gernon Road, Letchworth Garden City

on Thursday, 6th December, 2018 at 7.30 pm

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Faye Frost and David Barnard.

2 MINUTES - 14 JUNE 2018

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Committee held on 14 June 2018 be approved as a true record of the proceedings and be signed by the Chairman.

3 MINUTES - 13 SEPTEMBER 2018

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Committee held on 13 September 2018 be approved as a true record of the proceedings and be signed by the Chairman.

4 NOTIFICATION OF OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business notified.

5 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

- (1) The Chairman welcomed those present at the meeting, especially those who had attended to give a presentation;
- (2) The Chairman welcomed Councillor David Levett (Executive Member for Planning, Enterprise and Transport) who would be giving a presentation regarding the Local Plan;
- (3) The Chairman advised that, in accordance with Council Policy, the meeting would be audio recorded:
- (4) The Chairman drew attention to the item on the agenda front pages regarding Declarations of Interest and reminded Members that, in line with the Code of Conduct, any Declarations of Interest needed to be declared immediately prior to the item in question.

6 GRANTS & COMMUNITY UPDATE

Audio recording – Start of Item – 45 minutes and 10 seconds

The Senior Communities Manager presented the report entitled Grants and Community Update and drew attention to the following:

Chairman's Volunteer Awards

The Awards were now open for nominations on the NHDC website.

7 LOCAL PLAN UPDATE

Councillor David Levett, Executive Member for Planning, Enterprise and Transport, thanked the Chairman for inviting him to address the Committee and gave a PowerPoint presentation regarding the current status of the Local Plan and the expected timetable for future progress.

The Chairman thanked Councillor Levett for his presentation.

8 WARD MATTERS AND OUTSIDE ORGANISATIONS - MEMBERS' REPORTS

Audio recording – Start of Item – 1 hour, 27 minutes and 47 seconds

The following issues wee discussed:

- Universal Credit Rollout:
- Holwell Against CALA Traffic Action Group

9 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - KIMPTON HISTORY GROUP

Mr John Pollington, Kimpton History Group, thanked the Chairman for the opportunity to address the Committee and gave a verbal presentation regarding the work they had undertaken following a previous award of grant funding from the Committee.

The Chairman thanked Mr Pollington for his presentation.

10 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - ICKLEFORD SPORTS CLUB

Ms Rowena Birdsey, Ickleford Sports Club, thanked the Chairman for the opportunity to address the Committee regarding the work undertaken following a previous award of grant funding from the Committee.

The Chairman thanked Ms Birdsey for her presentation.

11 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - KIMPTON PRE-SCHOOL

Mr Mike Newman, Kimpton Pre-School, thanked the Chairman for the opportunity to address the Committee and gave a verbal presentation regarding their grant application.

The Chairman thanked Mr Newman for his presentation.

12 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - BREACHWOOD GREEN PRE-SCHOOL

The Senior Communities Officer advised that the Breachwood Green Pre-School were holding their Carol Concert this evening and therefore were unable to attend to address the Committee.

13 GRANT APPLICATION - KIMPTON PRE-SCHOOL

RESOLVED:

- (1) That grant funding of £619 be awarded to Kimpton Pre-School from the 2017/18 Development Budget for the purchase of IT equipment;
- (2) That, subject to (3) below, grant funding of £1.467 be awarded to Kimpton Pre-School from the 2018/19 Development Budget for the purchase of IT equipment;
- (3) That, should suitable equipment be sourced from the NHDC Charity Giveaway Day, the amount of funds awarded in (2) above be reduced accordingly.

REASON FOR DECISION: To improve services provided by local organisations and groups which are accessed by the community.

14 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - WASTE NOT WANT NOT

Mr Hal Fowler, Waste Not Want Not, thanked the Chairman for the opportunity to address the Committee and gave a verbal presentation regarding the work undertaken following a previous award of grant funding from the Committee.

The Chairman thanked Mr Fowler for his presentation.

15 GRANT APPLICATION - BREACHWOOD GREEN PRE-SCHOOL

RESOLVED: That grant funding of £250 be awarded to Breachwood Green Pre-School from the 2017/18 Development Budget for the purchase of furniture.

REASON FOR DECISION: To improve services provided by local organisations and groups which are accessed by the community.