

REPORT TO CABINET MEMBER FOR DECISION

Open		Would any decisions proposed :		
Any especially affected Wards	Discretionary	(a) Be entirely within cabinet's powers to decide YES		
		(b) Need to be recommendations to Council NO		
		(c) Be partly for recommendations to Council NO and partly within Cabinets powers –		
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Lead Officer: David Thomason E-mail: david.thomason@west-norfolk.gov.uk Direct Dial: 01553 616246		Other Members consulted: All ward members		
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Financial Implications YES	Policy/Personnel Implications NO	Statutory Implications (incl S.17) NO	Equal Opportunities Implications NO	Risk Management Implications YES
Date meeting advertised: 13 April 2011		Date of meeting decision to be taken: 20 April 2011		
Deadline for Call-In: 3 May 2011				

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE CULTURE CAPITAL GRANTS

Summary

This report details the decisions made in relation to the first round of Financial Assistance Culture Capital Grants for 2011/12.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the following grant decisions are approved:
Barroway Drove Short Mat Bowls Club – Award £746
Deepdale and Brancaster Staithe Tennis Club – Award £2,000 (conditional)
Denver Cricket Club – Refuse

Reason for Decision

Determination of applications under the Financial Assistance scheme.

A grants panel meeting was held on 11 April 2011 to assess applications for capital grants which fall within the Sports, Arts, and Open Spaces Portfolio. This report details the recommendations made at this meeting by the Portfolio Holder.

The recommendations featured in this report are subject to the 'call-in' procedure. When the grant decision becomes official the applicants will be notified in writing by Norfolk Community Foundation on behalf of the Borough Council. All terms and conditions of the grants will be stated in the official offer letter.

Grants of £2,500 or less

Organisation	Project	Amount	Amount	Reason why refused
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		Requested	Awarded	or full amount not awarded/comments
Barroway Drove Short Mat Bowls Club	To purchase 3 new bowls mats	£2,000.00	£746.00	Partial award offered as the club requested more than one third of capital costs. Amount awarded will enable the purchase of one new mat.
Deepdale & Brancaster Staithe Tennis Club	To re-surface the tennis courts	£6,200.00	£2,000.00	Partial award offered as it was felt that the group could raise the remaining funds needed from other sources. A grant is offered on the condition that the total funds needed to proceed are raised.
Denver Cricket Club	To install new cricket training nets	£8,330.00	£0.00	A grant was declined at this stage. The group will be advised to seek advice from Sports Development officers, and encouraged to explore sharing other local cricket facilities. The panel may then reconsider an application towards this project.
		Total:	£2,746	

Grants over £2,500

None

Financial Implications

The total Financial Assistance Capital Grants budget for 2011/12 is summarised as follows:

	£
Financial Assistance Capital Grants budget 2011/12	74,500
Commitments	
This report	2,746
Community Capital Grants also approved at meeting on 11 April 2011	33,696
Community and Culture capital Grants already approved in 2011/12	0
Total Commitments	36,442
Balance Of Funds Available 2011/12	38,058

Therefore there is sufficient budget provision to cover all recommendations in this report.

Policy Implications

The applications are in line with the Corporate Strategic Objectives.

Statutory Implications

None.

Risk Implications

Failure to assist local, voluntary organisations in helping meet the Borough Council's corporate objectives.

Access to Information

Completed grant application forms for each funding request.

Signed:

Cabinet Member for

Date