

Agenda Item No: 10

Title: Ad Hoc Grant Requests

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Summary

- 1 This report shows the grant applications received requesting an allocation from the contingency of £10,935 (including a carried forward amount of £935) for 2000/2001. It recommends that they be determined.

Previous Ad Hoc Grant Decisions

2	Organisation	Decision £
	S/Walden St Raphael Club	500
	S/Walden Old Folks Holiday Fund	420
	Essex Playingfield Association	500
	St Christopher Sports Club	400
	Village Music Club	500
	Saffron Walden Town Band	350
	Stansted Cricket Club	350
	S/Walden Arts Trust	250
	Lt Hallingbury Happy Circle	250
	S/Walden Rugby Club	200
	Flitch Art Gallery	265
	Jamie Hinton	350
	Saffron Walden Hockey Club	500
	Total	4835

3 Requests received for grant aid

The table below shows the results of officers' initial assessment of the grant requests that have been received for consideration at this meeting.

ORGANISATION NAME	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Mrs Sanders	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	465	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Friends of Ferguson Close	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	450	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
S/W Amateur Operatic Society	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	500	No	Yes	Yes	No
Walden Triathlon Club	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	500	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Thaxted Garden for Butterflies	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	500	No	Yes	No	No
S/W Cricket Club	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	500	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Does the organisation/individual meet the Ad Hoc Grant Criteria of?

1. Not being a National Organisation
2. Not being a Local Branch of National Organisation
3. Having been resident in Uttlesford for over six months
4. Not applying for on-going costs
5. Not applying for more than £500
6. Fund-raising has taken place
7. Being a Local Organisation/Individual
8. Does the request assist one of the following:
Arts, Sports, Disabled, Elderly
9. Is the applicant eligible?

4. Mrs L Sanders

A record has been taken in Littlebury of houses, societies and social groups etc by photographs and written word. This information will be collated into an album which will be housed in the Saffron Walden Library. A grant of £465 is being sought to fund the scanning of the document before it is bound, etc to enable the document to be published for the residents of Littlebury and any other interested parties. No specific fund-raising has been undertaken, as the Parish Precept has been used to finance the project. However, some individuals were so enthusiastic about the project that donations totalling £90 have been received.

5. Friends of Ferguson Close

The Friends of Ferguson Close is an organisation which raises funds for the residents of Ferguson Close. Ferguson Close is a home in Radwinter Road, Saffron Walden for adults with Learning Difficulties. Funds are used to buy equipment for the residents and to take them on outings. A grant of £450 is being requested towards providing an outing for 8 residents at a cost of £75 per person. The Friends of Ferguson Close have raised £150 towards the project.

6. S/Walden Amateur Operatic Society – not eligible

Saffron Walden Amateur Operatic Society is requesting a grant towards the cost of hiring 8 microphones for its productions. The society has not undertaken any fund raising towards the project although it does charge an annual subscription to its members.

It is considered that hiring microphones is an on-going cost necessary for each production.

7. Walden Triathlon Club – not eligible

Walden Triathlon Club is to hold its second Annual Triathlon in August 2001. The Club is hoping to be upgraded to the "Eastern Counties League Series", which should help to promote Saffron Walden. Successfully upgrading to the Series will mean that club will incur costs in respect of policing the event and signage. The club

is requesting £500 towards these costs and will make up any shortfall with entry fees charged on the day.

It is considered that as adequate policing and signing will be required for each event held these are on-going costs. Therefore, the application is not eligible.

8. The Thaxted Garden for Butterflies – not eligible

This private garden was opened to the public for the first time in 2000, made possible by a one-off grant from the Help the Aged Millennium Award. The gentleman concerned would like to open the garden to visitors again this year. However, he needs £887 to cover the cost of producing publicity brochures which he feels are vital to the success of the project. Because the printing costs of brochures was met by the award last year, it would appear that this is an on-going cost and would need to be carried out every year in order for the project to succeed. Thus the application does not meet the criteria of the scheme.

9. Saffron Walden Cricket Club

Saffron Walden Cricket Club is applying for a grant on behalf of at least 4 other cricket clubs in the district which are trying to provide training courses for individuals coaching young people. The aim is to provide a training day for 12 people from the Uttlesford District at a cost of £100 per person. The club is requesting £500 towards the fees. The training course will be the Essex County Cricket Board Level 1 Coaching Course.

Saffron Walden Cricket Club is aiming to facilitate a course which will involve as many Cricket Clubs as possible in the Uttlesford District working together to bring training at a reasonable price to all clubs involved.

Background Papers: **Applications from:** Mrs Sanders
Friends of Ferguson Close
S/Walden Amateur Operatic Society
Walden Triathlon Club
The Thaxted Garden for Butterflies
Saffron Walden Cricket Club