

Cabinet
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Head of Community and Environmental
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Grants to Voluntary Organisations

1 Introduction

- This paper reports on the grants and public liability insurance for street parties awarded by the Cabinet Member for Concessions & Community Support and seeks approval to award £1,774 to Limbcare.

2 Grants to Voluntary Organisations

- The Cabinet Member for Concessions and Community Support has considered seven applications for grants and made awards in six cases for £1,000 or less:

▪ Aldershot & Fleet RUFC	£550
Towards the cost of manufacturing and installing railings around a newly installed patio, incorporating a gate for disabled access	
▪ Aldershot Rotary Club	£500
Towards the cost of the Kids Out day for children with Special Educational Needs	
▪ Friends of Brickfields Country Park	£300
Towards the cost of hiring a mobile farm for the annual Fun Day	
▪ Home-Start Rushmoor & Hart	£350
Towards the cost of activity packs for supported families	
▪ Mayfield Community Partnership	£500
Towards the cost of the Sports Festival and Fun Event in September	
▪ Southwood Church	£1,000
Towards the cost of purchasing audio-visual equipment for the Ignite project	
Total	£3,200

- An award was not made to the Pelly Concert Orchestra as the event is taking place outside Rushmoor and there is little benefit to Rushmoor residents.

- The application from Limbicare shown in Appendix A, is recommended to receive an award of £1,774.
- Limbicare will be allocated from funds set aside in 2015/16.
- The budget for voluntary organisations for 2016/17 is £20,000. Taking into account the six grants that have been awarded by the Cabinet member for £1,000 or less in this paper, will leave £16,800 available for allocation in the remainder of this financial year.

3 Street parties

- Awards have been made for two street parties to celebrate the Queen's Diamond Jubilee on 11th June to cover cost of public liability insurance:

▪ Highfield Gardens, Aldershot	£79
▪ Whites Road, Farnborough	£79
- Funding has been allocated from funds set aside in 2015/16.

4 Recommendation

Cabinet is recommended to:

- note the grants above for £1,000 or less totalling £3,200
- note the insurance payments for two street parties totalling £158
- approve the grant to Limbicare for £1,774

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FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO VOLUNTARY ORGANISATIONS	
SUMMARY SHEET	
Name of Applicant	Limbcare Ltd / Farnborough Shopmobility
Grant Requested (Total cost of project)	£1,774 (£60,000)
Purpose of Grant	£720 – stand-alone ticket validator £648 – replacement tyres for mobility scooters £406 – replacement batteries for mobility scooters
Previous Grants in last 3 years	None
Rent Relief	None
Rate Relief	None
Membership / Rushmoor Residents Assisted	85% of the Shopmobility annual scheme members are Rushmoor residents
Other sources of funding	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Annual membership • Limbcare currently paying for the day-to-day costs • Reconditioned mobility scooters & walking aids
Accounts	Income - £100,548 Expenditure - £104,826 Balances - £9,563
Aims of Organisation/General Comments	<p>The Limbcare charity provides a range of services for amputees, limb-impaired and the larger community.</p> <p>The aim of the Farnborough Shopmobility is to provide an accessible service to residents and visitors needing help through the Meads Shopping Centre.</p> <p>Opened in summer 2015, based in an unused office on the ground floor of The Meads carpark, it is currently open 4 hours a day Tuesday to Saturday and run by a team of volunteers and a paid engineer.</p> <p>The validator will enable those hiring equipment to validate their parking ticket giving free parking.</p> <p>The annual membership scheme will encourage disabled/ elderly shoppers to return to Farnborough to rent a mobility aid with minimal fuss. Long term aims include becoming self-funding and to increase opening hours to 7 days a week with paid employees. Currently the charity funds the day-to-day costs.</p>
Application recommendation	£1,774