

SELECTION AND MEMBER SERVICES COMMITTEE

Thursday, 1st December, 2022

2.30 pm

**Council Chamber, Sessions House, County Hall,
Maidstone**





AGENDA

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Council Chamber, Sessions House, County
Hall, Maidstone

Ask for: **Joel Cook**
Telephone: **03000 416892**

Tea/Coffee will be available 15 minutes before the start of the meeting

Membership (8)

Conservative (5): Mr N J Collor (Chairman), Mr M C Dance, Mr R W Gough,
Mr C Simkins and Mr B J Sweetland

Liberal Democrat (1): Mr A J Hook

Labour (1): Dr L Sullivan

Green and Independent (1): Rich Lehmann

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UNRESTRICTED ITEMS

(During these items the meeting is likely to be open to the public)

- 1 Substitutes
- 2 Declarations of Interests by Members in items on the Agenda for this meeting.
- 3 Minutes
- 4 Appointment of Parent Governor Representative (Pages 1 - 2)

- 5 Outside Bodies update - Cranbrook School Trust (Pages 3 - 4)
- 6 Member Remuneration Panel Update (Pages 5 - 12)
- 7 Combined Member Grants (Pages 13 - 72)
- 8 Governance Update
To Follow

EXEMPT ITEMS

(At the time of preparing the agenda there were no exempt items. During any such items which may arise the meeting is likely NOT to be open to the public)

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General Counsel
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Wednesday, 23 November 2022

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By: Anna Taylor, Scrutiny Research Officer

To: Selection and Member Services Committee – 1 December 2022

Subject: Appointment of Parent Governor Representative

Summary: To appoint one Parent Governor representative onto the Scrutiny Committee as required by the Local Government Act 2000.

1. Introduction

(1) The Local Government Act 2000 requires the County Council to appoint Parent Governor Representatives to serve on the Scrutiny Committee (when education matters are discussed). In accordance with the Constitution (Section 17.49) two Parent Governor Representatives in total are appointed for a four-year term.

(2) A vacancy was created when the previous Parent Governor took up a role as Vice Principal and Strategic Lead at Goldwyn School, Godington Lane, Ashford – a Kent maintained school.

(3) Nominations were sought from all Parent Governors at schools in the Kent Local Education Authority area. Two nominations were forthcoming by the stated closing date, so a secret ballot was held in October 2022. The successful candidate was Rebecca Ainslie-Malik, from Sittingbourne.

(4) The supporting statement of Rebecca is available on request.

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2. Recommendations

The Committee is asked to:

- (a) confirm the appointment of Rebecca Ainslie-Malik as Parent Governor representative on the Scrutiny Committee for a four year term.

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By: Joel Cook – Democratic Services Manager

To: Selection and Member Services Committee – 1 December 2022

Subject: Outside Body appointment – Cranbrook School Trust

Summary: Selection and Member Services considers and determines appointments to Outside Bodies. A request has been made for clarification on the KCC appointment to the Cranbrook School Trust – the details are set out below.

1. Introduction

(1) The Committee is charged with making appointments to outside bodies on behalf of the County Council. The Local Government and Housing Act 1989 political proportionality principles do not apply to these appointments, but in recent years it has been the County Council's convention that appointments should be shared between the political groups on, so far as possible, a proportional basis.

(2) In September 2021, the Committee either made or confirmed a range of relevant Outside Body appointments. This included the appointment of one KCC Member to the Cranbrook School Trust. The individual Member selection to determine the person who will act as the KCC representative on Outside Bodies is, in practice, delegated to the Chief Whip (where representation is expected to be from the largest political group).

(3) The Trust Deed for the Cranbrook School Trust allocates two seats to the Council. In practice, the second seat has historically not been taken up by KCC and has on occasion been filled by a non-KCC representative identified by the School and it should be noted that, as per the above paragraph, this Committee only made one appointment when determining Outside Body appointments in 2021. Due to the discrepancy between the Trust Deed and the recorded Outside Body appointments made by the Committee, arising out of good faith and continuation of accepted albeit informal arrangements, it is appropriate for the matter to be revisited formally and for the management arrangements to be clarified.

(4) Therefore, to allow for smooth future management of this outside body situation and to provide clarity, it is recommended that the Committee confirm the Council's position on the use of the second seat legally allocated to the Council under the Trust Deed. The Committee may either determine that the Council will take up the seat open to them under the Deed and ask the relevant Political Groups to manage individual Member selection or the Committee can decide to confirm the existing arrangement that permits the School to nominate a non-KCC Member as a representative on the Trust in the relevant seat.

2. Recommendations

The Committee is asked to consider:

- (a) Allowing one seat, currently allocated to KCC under the School's Trust Deed but as yet not taken up, to be filled by a non-KCC person nominated by the Trust.
- (b) Delegate authority, in consultation with the Chair of Selection and Member Services Committee (and Chief Whip where appropriate) to the Democratic Services Manager, to implement this decision and update and manage the Outside Body Appointment lists to align confirmed appointments with existing Outside Body membership arrangements.

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From: Tristan Godfrey, Senior Governance Manager
 Kay Goldsmith, Scrutiny Research Officer

To: Selection and Member Services Committee, 1 December 2022

Subject: Member Remuneration Panel: Arrangements and Terms of Reference

Status: Unrestricted

1. Introduction

- a) The County Council is responsible for agreeing the Members Allowances Scheme. A scheme, or an amendment, can only be agreed by Council if it has a report with recommendations before them produced by the independent Member Remuneration Panel (MRP). The regulations underpinning this system have been essentially unchanged since 2003. As part of the ongoing review and refresh of the Council's governance, it is an appropriate time to consider whether any changes are needed to the current process.
- b) This report only considers matters relating to the recruitment and terms of reference of the MRP and does not make any comment on the Member Allowances Scheme itself or content of previous MRP reports.
- c) The proposal presented in this report is a phased shift in how the process is managed. The core elements are:
 - 1. Agreeing the principle that the four-yearly scheme should be agreed prior to the start of the four-years to which it applies.
 - 2. Bringing the appointment date of the MRP members forward a year within the four-year Council term.
 - 3. Changing the recruitment method for Panel members.
 - 4. Updating the Terms of Reference of the Panel.

2. Starting Point of a Four-Year Scheme

- a) The long-established practice at Kent County Council has been to agree a four-year Members Allowances Scheme coterminous with a four-year Council term. The long-standing practice of the Council has been to agree the scheme after the elections and once the four-year Council term has already begun to which the scheme applies.
- b) Any annual uprating is now agreed as part of the budget and so are put into effect from the start of the financial year.
- c) There are some arguments in favour of waiting until after the elections to agree the four-yearly scheme – such as being able to involve outgoing, continuing, and new or returning Members in the discussions. However, the 2003 regulations are clear that the scheme be agreed before the beginning of the (municipal) year.

- d) Making the decision prior to an election for a scheme which will only impact those elected mitigates the conflict of interest inherent in Members agreeing their own scheme of allowances. It also allows candidates and those considering standing for election to know with more certainty what the allowances scheme will contain.

3. MRP Term of Office

- a) MRP members are currently appointed to four-year terms, with the current term ending on 31 October 2024. While this is six months ahead of the next election, the time needed to undertake, produce, and respond to the MRP report means a new scheme will be unable to be agreed prior to the election or the budget meeting.
- b) When the term of the current MRP expires, the new membership could be appointed to a term of three years on that occasion. This would bring the appointment of the subsequent MRP to eighteen months ahead of the election.
- c) However, this would not address the issue of enabling a report to be produced and scheme to be agreed ahead of the 2025 election – November 2024 would perhaps be the most appropriate time for agreeing the Members Allowance Scheme to run from May 2025 for four years. This would allow it to be properly considered by those considering standing for election
- d) Subject to availability, the current MRP could be asked to undertake a second review in the final year of their term. Future appointments cannot be prejudged, so it is not certain that the same MRP members would be in post at the start and the end of the process.
- e) The way forward being proposed is that the next MRP is recruited next year in order to be appointed by Council and start its term on 1 November 2023. The MRP would therefore have a membership of between 3 and 6 for the period of a year depending on whether the current members applied and were appointed. From 1 November 2024, the MRP members would total 3.
- f) Assuming the changes proposed to the recruitment of the MRP are agreed, then this should be a straightforward process.

4. Recruitment of the MRP

- a) As set out in the Terms of Reference of this Committee and the Panel, the selection process of the MRP endeavours to put some distance between Members and those charged with making recommendations on their allowances. A selection panel of three non-Members is appointed by the Selection & Member Services Committee and they are responsible for making nominations as to whom Council should appoint. Historically, the selection panel has been composed of Honorary Aldermen.
- b) This indirect method of selection is unusual with no equivalent arrangement being found on surveying other Councils. It also adds several months to the process. In all other authorities reviewed the selection of names for nomination was conducting by senior Members, senior Officers, or a combination of both. Honorary Aldermen are not covered by the indemnity policy for Members and Officers. If there was a challenge to the recruitment process (including the

interviews carried out), this could potentially put the Honorary Aldermen at risk as well as being a reputational risk to the Council.

- c) The principle of distancing Members from the recruitment in the current practice is a sound one. The recommendation therefore is that the Monitoring Officer is responsible for the recruitment/selection process of names for nomination, and this would require a change to the terms of reference of the Panel and a consequential amendment to that of the Selection and Member Services Committee (see appendix). Full Council will still have the final say when the full Panel is appointed.

5. Updating the Terms of Reference of the Panel

- a) The role and responsibilities of the MRP are clearly set out in the 2003 regulations. However, the terms of reference are currently not very detailed and could potentially lead to reports and recommendations from the Panel that either cover too little or too much. A review of other terms of reference showed that most contained more detail as to what the scheme should contain and therefore what the recommendations should focus on.
- b) The revision would also be an opportunity to correct an anomaly. The purpose behind the 2003 regulations was that the MRP report would provide an independent perspective from people unaffected by the scheme. However, the Panel are currently paid at the same day-rates as co-opted members. The MRP have a similar conflict of interest when considering an increase to the day-rates.
- c) Under the regulations, the Council may make provision to pay Panel members an allowance and/or pay expenses. This payment should not be part of the Members Allowances Scheme as Panel members are not Members or Co-opted members. In addition, the last review was conducted virtually, and led to additional administration where the day rate was converted to an hourly rate.
- d) What is suggested is a straightforward allowance per review, plus appropriate expenses. The figures suggested in the draft terms of reference are based on examples from other authorities, and a consideration of the sums claimed for previous reviews.
- e) The suggested changes to the Terms of Reference are set out in the appendix.

6. Recommendation

The Selection and Member Services Committee is asked to:

1. Agree to support the principle that schemes should be agreed before the start of the year to which they apply.
2. Agree to bring forward the appointment of the MRP by one year within the four-year cycle.
3. Recommend to County Council that the Terms of Reference of the Member Remuneration Panel be amended as set out in the appendix.

7. Background Documents

None.

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Appendix – Proposed Revision of the Terms of Reference for the Member Remuneration Panel

The changes are not shown as track changes because the revisions largely replace the current content wholesale. The current terms of reference are set out in part two.

Part One – Proposed Terms of Reference

Member Remuneration Panel

- 17.10 The Member Remuneration Panel (MRP) is not a Committee of the Council and is established under The Local Authorities (Members' Allowances) (England) Regulations 2003.
- 17.11 Membership: 3 independent members.
- 17.12 No Panel member may be any of the following:
- a) A Member or Co-opted Member of the Council or any of its Committees.
 - b) An individual disqualified from being or becoming a Member of the Council.
 - c) An employee of the Council.
- 17.13 Membership of the MRP will cease:
- a) Automatically when any of the disqualifications listed in 17.12 apply.
 - b) Upon written notice of resignation sent by the Panel member and received by the Monitoring Officer.
 - c) Immediately upon resolution of County Council following recommendation by the Selection and Member Services Committee.
 - d) At the end of the term of appointment.
- 17.14 The Monitoring Officer shall be responsible for recruiting and recommending 3 individuals to the Selection and Member Services Committee for provisional appointment. The appointments are subject to confirmation by full Council.
- 17.15 Panel members are appointed for four years, or as determined by County Council at the time of appointment.
- 17.16 In the event of an interim vacancy in the Panel membership, the process in 17.14 will be followed with the Monitoring Officer recommending the same number of names as vacancies. The appointment is to run for the remainder of the original appointee's term unless otherwise determined by County Council.

- 17.17 On a four yearly basis, the MRP is responsible for reviewing the whole Members Allowances Scheme and making recommendations to the Council on the following:
- a) The amount of the basic allowance.
 - b) The responsibilities and duties to allow the following to be received and the amount thereof:
 - i. Special Responsibility Allowance (SRA).
 - ii. Travel and subsistence expenses.
 - iii. Co-optees allowance.
 - c) The amount of the dependants' carers' allowance.
 - d) The implementation date for the new Members' Allowances Scheme and whether any payments should be backdated to the start of the municipal or financial year.
 - e) Whether there are to be any annual changes to the amounts received for a-d above; and where the changes are to be related to an index, the details of such an index.
- 17.18 In addition to the four yearly review, the Selection and Member Services Committee can request the MRP to conduct a review of one or more of the areas set out in 17.17(a-e) and make recommendations to the Council.
- 17.19 The MRP shall select from its number a Chair.
- 17.20 No Member of the Council has a right to attend its meetings and its procedures are determined by the Panel itself, subject to the requirement of a quorum of 3 Panel members when agreeing recommendations to make to the Council.
- 17.21 Upon completion of the four-yearly review under section 17.17, each Panel member shall receive an allowance of £1,000. Reasonable travel and other expenses shall also be paid.
- 17.22 Upon completion of a review under 17.18, each Panel member shall receive an allowance of £600. Reasonable travel and other expenses shall also be paid.
- 17.23 The Chair of the Panel shall receive an additional allowance of £200 upon completion of each review under both 17.17 and 17.18.
- 17.24 The work and recommendations of the Panel must conform to the relevant legislation.

Part Two – Current Terms of Reference

- 17.10 Membership: 3 independent members.
- 17.11 Independent Members of the Remuneration Panel are recommended to the Council for appointment by a Panel of three people (not Members of the Council) appointed by the Selection and Member Services Committee.
- 17.12 The Independent Remuneration Panel regularly reviews the Council's allowances and expenses scheme.
- 17.13 It meets on a regular basis and no one on the Panel is a Councillor or Council employee.
- 17.14 It has the responsibility for making recommendations to the Council on a scheme of allowances and expenses for Council Members and for reviewing that scheme in whole or in part as required by law or requested by the Selection and Member Services Committee.
- 17.15 The Panel is not a Committee of the Council. No Member of the Council has a right to attend its meetings and its procedures are determined by the Panel itself.

Part Three – Consequential amendment to the Terms of Reference of the Selection and Member Services Committee

Current Section 17.43(i)iv – This Committee is responsible for making or arranging the following appointments and nominations ... the selection Panel for the Independent Person and members of the Member Remuneration Panel.

This would be amended if the Terms of Reference set out in Part One are agreed by amending 17.43(i)iv to - This Committee is responsible for making or arranging the following appointments and nominations ... the selection Panel for the Independent Person.

A new Section 17.43(i)v would be inserted - This Committee is responsible for making or arranging the following appointments and nominations... members of the Member Remuneration Panel.

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By: Ben Watts, General Counsel
To: Selection and Member Services Committee – 1 December 2022
Subject: KCC Combined Member Grants
Classification: Unrestricted

1. As part of its Terms of Reference, this Committee is responsible for monitoring expenditure on Members allowances, expenses and services, and any Members' Grants Schemes. Following the financial closedown period and analysis of the grants processed during the 2021/22 period, a report is now available for your information and attached as an appendix.
2. The publishing of details of grants to the voluntary community and social enterprise sector is mandatory under the publication scheme (s19 FOIA) and Local Government Transparency Code 2015. Information should be published at least annually.
3. The only exception to this is during the Pre-Election Period, where the information will be removed.
4. Previous iterations have not always been in a user friendly and were provided in a less informative table format. To give more emphasis to the importance of the grants to both Members and their communities, a new style has been produced and Members' views are welcomed on the design and information gathered.

Recommendation:

The Committee is requested to note the grant recipient list, agree the format of the Combined Member Grants list for the period 2021/22 and approve upload to the KCC website

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Appendix:

List of Combined Member Grants 2021/22

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Members Grants 2021-22

Overall Summary

186 grants were awarded in 2021/22, a period that was shortened due to the election which meant that grants were unable to be processed until the end of June 2021. The total amount of funding awarded was £237,631.54

Excluding Highways Grants (5 District Highways and 37 Kent Highways), during this period, 56 grants were awarded to previous recipients of a Combined Member Grant and 88 new recipients were reached. A range of organisations and groups were supported:

- Charities – 46
- Church / Faith Groups – 4
- Community Groups – 33
- Community Interest Companies – 11
- District or Borough Councils – 2
- Not for Profit – 2
- Parish and Town Councils – 31
- Schools – 4
- Sports Organisations – 11

A range of projects and initiatives were funded and are categorised as follows:

- traffic management and road safety projects - £51,987.46
- cultural & heritage initiatives - £38,517.79
- sport and recreation projects - £35,657.95
- public health initiatives - £26,818.84
- open spaces projects - £22,103
- environmental, highway and routine maintenance initiatives - £14,469.57
- winter services preparations - £5,414.93
- services for young people projects - £5,740
- social care initiatives - £4,796
- business support services - £4,500
- community development projects - £4,500
- preventing social isolation initiatives - £3,900
- community safety initiatives - £3,526
- primary school projects – £3,500
- family support services projects - £3,000
- mental health support projects - £2,750
- homeless prevention initiatives - £2,000
- streetlighting projects - £1,500
- archiving projects - £1,000
- adult learning disability support projects - £500
- library services projects - £500
- pre-school projects - £500
- road safety education initiatives - £450

Ashford – Member Grant Funding Breakdown of Spend

In total 17 grants were awarded for the 2021/22 period by Ashford Members. Of which:

- 2 grants were awarded to charities
- 3 grants were awarded to community groups
- 1 grant was awarded to a District or Borough Council
- 6 grants were awarded to Kent Highways
- 3 grants were awarded to Parish Councils
- 1 grant was awarded to a school
- 1 grant was awarded to a sports organisation



With the exclusion of Kent Highways, 3 grants were awarded to organisations that had been supported in the past 3 years, with the remaining 8 organisations new recipients of a Combined Member Grant.

Ashford Member's Annual Member Grant Spend and roll forward figure for 2022/23 period:

- **Paul Bartlett – Ashford Central**
Spend in the 2021/22 period - £10,000 with no roll forward figure for 2022/23
- **Clair Bell – Ashford Rural East**
Spend in the 2021/22 period - £2,450 with a £7,550 roll forward figure for 2022/23
- **Steve Campkin – Ashford East**
Spend in the 2021/22 period - £0 with a £10,000 roll forward figure for 2022/23
- **Mike Hill, MBE – Tenterden**
Spend in the 2021/22 period - £6,313.50 with a £3,686.50 roll forward figure for 2022/23
- **David Robey – Ashford Rural South**
Spend in the 2021/22 period - £10,000 with no roll forward figure for 2022/23
- **Dirk Ross – Ashford South**
Spend in the 2021/22 period - £0 with a £10,000 roll forward for 2022/23
- **Charlie Simkins – Ashford Rural West**
Spend in the 2021/22 period - £3,000 with a £7,000 roll forward for 2022/23

Total Ashford Member Spend for 2021/22 - £31,763.50:

£14,229.96 on traffic management and road safety projects
£6,598 for sport and recreation projects
£5,629.54 on environmental, highway and routine maintenance initiatives
£1,498 for cultural & heritage initiatives
£1,458 on public health initiatives
£1,000 for archiving projects
£600 on preventing social isolation initiatives
£450 on road safety education initiatives
£300 for community safety initiatives

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Paul Bartlett

Community Safety Unit - Ashford Borough Council (21-AS-9)

Exmoor Rise Repairs Initiative

£300

Contribution to the repair of the damaged chain link fencing at the end of Exmoor Rise to keep residents safe and act as a visual and physical deterrent to cutting across the fenced area. This is expected to reduce the likelihood of anti-social behaviour in the wooded area next to it and in the surrounding area.

Clair Bell

Friends of Downs View Infant School (21-AS-11)

Road Safety Workshops

£450

Member Grant Funding provided road safety workshops delivered to pupils who are aged between four and seven years old, with a total reach of 255 children. Each workshop was tailored to each age group to ensure that the pupils remained engaged throughout, to listen to the information about road safety and awareness.

Wye Tennis Club (21-AS-17)

Contribution to the construction of padel tennis court

£2000

Member Grant funding provided a contribution to the construction of a padel court for members, the first tennis club in Kent to have padel. The overall benefit is for exercising as well as improving mental wellbeing through sport and socialising.

Mike Hill, OBE

St Michael's Village Community Group (21-AS-1)

Tributes in the Park

£500

A free annual music event with professional tribute acts for artists such as Elvis Presley as well as singers. This event was held to benefit of the mental wellbeing of the local community. KCC contributed funding towards performance artist fees.

Rolvenden Cricket Club (21-AS-2)2

New Scoreboard

£3098

Member Grant funding enabled the replacement of the cricket club's pre-war scoreboard with an electric scoreboard. This has made it easier for players to see the score from all areas of the cricket ground and reduced the operating time which previously required three individuals. The electric scoreboard also allows residents to view the score from outside of the cricket club which has helped to attract attention and has highlighted the opportunities available to residents at the club. Future developments will see this linked to their online presence for instant updates.

St Michaels CEP School (Tenterden Schools Trust) (21-AS-7)

Children and Older People Community Engagement

£600

This project aimed to connect younger children with older people to reduce social isolation by providing the lunch provision one day a week for one school term of 6 weeks. The children and older residents attended Tenterden Social Hub to engage with each other, eat together and share life experiences. It is hoped that it may lead to volunteering when the children are older, as well as build on memories for all.

"This project has helped both older and younger generations become less distanced from each other and given a broader perspective about each of their positions in a community such as Tenterden."

Rolvenden Parish Council (21-AS-8)

Red Phone Boxes Project

£1498

This project involved the restoration of the exteriors of the red telephone boxes in the village. The telephone boxes were to be repurposed to become a 'sound museum'. One box will house a sculpture and artwork. The other box will play recordings of residents who are aged 80 and older recalling life in the village during their childhoods.

David Robey

Orlestone Parish Council (21-AS-3)

Hamstreet Community Fun Day

£1000

A community day event was arranged with activities; in the afternoon, a children's party and family picnic was held for children living in the village to celebrate their birthdays who may not have been able to do so during the pandemic. This allowed the children to socialise and to feel connected with their community. KCC Member Grant funding helped to provide a marquee with tables and chairs.

Woodchurch Parish Council (21-AS-13)

Defibrillator

£1458

The residents in Six Bells Park area, who are primarily elderly or recently retired, identified that one of their greatest concerns was the lack of an accessible defibrillator within their area. Supported by a request from the local Residents Association, the Parish Council approached their local Member. KCC Member Grant funding provided the defibrillator, housing, signage, and fitting.

Charlie Simkins

The Charing Playing Field Trust (21-AS-6)

Alderbed Meadow Ash Die Back Appeal – Phase 1

£2000

Contribution to tree felling and clearance to replace 50 trees, which were unstable, dangerous and had ash dieback disease, with some new trees in the Alderbed Wood. The Wood is used as a recreational space by residents, the local school, and a scout group.

Bethersden Women's Institute (21-AS-15)

Historical Archive Cabinet

£1000

KCC Member Grant funding provided a fireproof filing cabinet to help solve the storage and accessibility issues that Bethersden Women's Institute were facing as they needed space for archiving nearly a century's worth of documents. The cabinet will ensure safe storage and preservation of key documentation for now and the future.

Highways Member Grants

Paul Bartlett

Bybrook Road Estate, Kennington (21-KHS AS-12)

Contribution to 20mph scheme construction

£9700

Part of a multi-agency group of contributors, the Member Grant funding will part fund signing & roundels for Bybrook Road, The Pasture and adjoining roads. The scheme includes a raised table at the site of the existing zebra crossing and an advisory cycle lane.

Mike Hill, OBE

Pot Kiln Lane, Bethersden (21-KHS-AS-10)

Traffic Survey

£380

Funding was provided for a traffic survey to be carried out on Pot Kiln Lane, High Halden using survey counters to collect vehicle data on this specific section of the road. Data collected will help inform potential improvements to the highway.

Joint funding with Tenterden Parish Council (21-KHS-AS-14)

Traffic Survey

£237.50

Funding was provided for a traffic survey to be carried out on Chennel Park Road, Cranbrook Road, and Pudding Cake Lane. Data collected will help inform potential improvements to the highway.

David Robey

Chart Road, Kingsnorth (21-KHS-AS-4)

Speed Reduction Traffic Regulation Order and Plate Installation

£3912.46

Member Grant funding was requested for a speed limit reduction order on Chart Road in Kingsnorth due to the nature of the evolved environment.

Stubbs Cross (21-KHS-AS-5)

Four White Gateway Posts Refurbishment and Replacement Sign

£1718.03

Following a request from the Parish, funding was provided for the refurbishment of four white gateway posts and the replacement of the village sign in Stubbs Cross due to them being continually struck.

B2067, Kenardington Road, Warehorne (21-KHS-AS-16)

2 Village Gateways and Signs

£1911.51

Member Grant funding was requested to improve the village environment by enhancing the entrances into the village.

Canterbury – Member Grant Funding Breakdown of Spend

In total 13 grants were awarded for the 2021/22 period by Canterbury Members. Of which:

- 5 grants were awarded to charities
- 3 grants were awarded to community groups
- 3 grants were awarded to Kent Highways
- 2 grants were awarded to community interest companies

With the exclusion of Kent Highways, 2 grants were awarded to organisations that had been supported in the past 3 years, with the remaining 8 organisations new recipients of a Combined Member Grant.

Canterbury Member's Annual Member Grant Spend and roll forward figure for 2022/23 period:

- **Neil Baker – Whitstable East & Herne Bay West**
Spend in the 2021/22 period - £0 with a £10,000 roll forward figure for 2022/23
- **Alister Brady – Canterbury City North**
Spend in the 2021/22 period - £4,000 with a £6,000 roll forward figure for 2022/23
- **Mark Dance – Whitstable West**
Spend in the 2021/22 period - £1,000 with a £9,000 roll forward figure for 2022/23
- **Mel Dawkins – Canterbury City South**
Spend in the 2021/22 period - £1,250 with a £8,750 roll forward figure for 2022/23
- **Alan Marsh – Herne Village & Sturry**
Spend in the 2021/22 period - £1,650 with a £8,350 roll forward figure for 2022/23
- **Mike Sole – Canterbury South**
Spend in the 2021/22 period - £3,194 with a £6,806 roll forward figure for 2022/23
- **Robert Thomas – Canterbury North**
Spend in the 2021/22 period - £0 with a £10,000 roll forward figure for 2022/23
- **Dan Watkins – Herne Bay East**
Spend in the 2021/22 period - £1,250 with a £8,750 roll forward for 2022/23

Total Canterbury Member Spend for 2021/22 - £12,344:



- £2,750 for mental health support projects
- £2,750 on traffic management and road safety projects
- £2,000 on services for young people projects
- £1,794 on environmental, highway and routine maintenance initiatives
- £1,250 for cultural & heritage initiatives
- £500 for adult learning disability support projects
- £500 for sport and recreation projects
- £400 for social care initiatives
- £400 for open spaces projects

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Alister Brady

City Impact CIC (21-CA-8)

Counselling

£2000 (£2750 total award)

A joint award with Mel Dawkins for the Canterbury area. Member grant funding contributed towards a counselling service offered to residents in Canterbury with the aim of improving residents' mental health and wellbeing.

Student Life (21-CA-13)

Student Wellbeing and Mental Health Programme at Archbishop's School, Canterbury

£2000

A project was established to allow young people to take an active leadership role in the creation of a magazine which largely focuses on mental health as well as a range of 15 other core topics. Member Grant funding contributed towards staffing support, training materials, copy and distribution of magazine and room hire.

Mel Dawkins

Howe Green Residents Association (21-CA-3)

Litter Pick Equipment

£500

Member Grant funding provided litter pick grabbers and litter pick gloves to keep areas clean and tidy in the Howe Green area. In turn contributing to enhancing local wellbeing, life skills, social skills, mental health and reducing inequalities for children and young people. This equipment will help community cohesion and multi-agency working.

City Impact CIC (21-CA-8)

Counselling

£750 (£2750 total award)

A joint award with Alister Brady for the Canterbury area. Member grant funding contributed towards a counselling service offered to residents in Canterbury with the aim of improving residents' mental health and wellbeing.

Alan Marsh

Herne & Broomfield Local History Group (21-CA-2)

Herne War Memorial

£750

Member Grant funding provided a contribution towards cleaning of Herne War Memorial, ensuring this much cherished part of the community is presented as it should be.

Hersden Neighbourhood Centre Association (21-CA-7)

Instant Water Boiler

£400

Member Grant funding provided an instant water boiler to allow members to access water with ease, which will be beneficial during meetings where refreshments are provided. With approximately

200 weekly service users consisting of elderly, vulnerable and disabled this facility is much needed.

Royal Marines Association (21-CA-12)

Contribution to hire of theatre for annual pantomime

£500 (£1000 total award)

A joint award with Derek Murphy assisted with the production of a pantomime based on an old Royal Marines tradition held for local charities and organisations to enjoy. Member Grant funding contributed to the increased theatre costs subsequently experienced following the COVID-19 pandemic allowing the pantomime to run through early January and be enjoyed by many members of the local community.

Mike Sole

Love Hambrook Marshes CIO (21-CA-1)

£400

Contributions to materials for five rustic wooden benches that were placed at intervals along the path of the Great Stour Way to allow people to rest and enjoy the view which will benefit their mental wellbeing. Feedback was received during the installation:

"It was great to watch them being installed on Sunday and even better to see them immediately being used and appreciated."

Little Stour and Nailbourne River Management Group (21-CA-6)

Publicity and Educational Project

£1294

Member Grant funding provided a contribution to the construction of a new information system to spread alerts regarding flood warnings and river information via a website, brochures, and flyers.

The Fifth Trust (21-CA-11)

Changing Screen - Bathroom Facilities

£500

As part of a wider project, Member Grant funding provided a changing screen for the bathroom facilities in the amenity hub which will allow the organisation to offer meaningful work experience for adults with learning disabilities. Overall student numbers are expected to increase and be sustainable for the future.

Dan Watkins

Our Herne Bay CIC (21-CA-9)

Herne Bay Christmas Tree and Installation

£500

The project involved installing Christmas trees around Herne Bay for a display in the local area with the hope of expanding the display to other areas of the town in the future boosting residents' wellbeing and increasing economic development by expanded footfall to the local area to see the displays.

HIGHWAYS MEMBER GRANTS

Mark Dance

Oxford Street, Whitstable (21-KHS-CA-5)

Road Safety Audit and Local Letter Consultation

£1000

The local member along with local residents and school users have outlined the ambition for a zebra crossing located along Oxford Street, Whitstable outside the Umbrella Centre. Member Grant funding was provided to cover preliminary consultation costs and the internal stage 1 safety audit.

Mike Sole

A257 Ickham (21-KHS-CA-10)

New Speed Limit Extension

£1000

The Member Grant part-funded the construction work of a new speed limit extension to 40mph between Wingham Well and Cherville Lane. Supported by local residents and Ickham and Well Parish Council.

Dan Watkins

Herne Bay Town (21-KHS-CA-4)

Automated Traffic Counts Surveys

£750

A traffic survey was carried out during school time on Spenser Road, Station Road, Albany Drive, Fleetwood Avenue and Sea Street to investigate the impact of implementing a proposed 20mph speed limit. The local member is working on the ambition of local residents for such a scheme in the future.

Dartford – Member Grant Funding Breakdown of Spend

In total 12 grants were awarded for the 2021/22 period by Dartford Members. Of which:

- 4 grants were awarded to charities
- 2 grants were awarded to community groups
- 1 grant was awarded to a community interest company
- 1 grant was awarded to a not-for-profit organisation
- 1 grant was awarded to a Parish Council
- 2 grants were awarded to sports organisations
- 1 grant was awarded to a Town Council

6 grants were awarded to organisations that had been supported in the past 3 years, with the remaining 6 organisations new recipients of a Combined Member Grant.

Dartford Member's Annual Member Grant Spend and roll forward figure for 2022/23 period:

- **Ann Allen, MBE / Avtar Sandhu, MBE – Wilmington**
Spend in the 2021/22 period - £2,445 with a £7,555 roll forward for 2022/23
- **Penny Cole – Dartford East**
Spend in the 2021/22 period - £0 with a £10,000 roll forward figure for 2022/23
- **Kelly Grehan – Dartford North East**
Spend in the 2021/22 period - £2,550 with a £7,450 roll forward figure for 2022/23
- **Peter Harman – Swanscombe and Greenhithe**
Spend in the 2021/22 period - £5,890.80 with a £4,109.20 roll forward figure for 2022/23
- **Jeremy Kite, MBE – Dartford Rural**
Spend in the 2021/22 period - £6,725 with a £3,275 roll forward figure for 2022/23
- **Jan Ozog – Dartford West**
Spend in the 2021/22 period - £0 with a £10,000 roll forward figure for 2022/23

Total Dartford Member Spend for 2021/22 - £17,610.80:

£8,665.80 for public health initiatives
£5,500 for open spaces projects
£2,000 for cultural & heritage initiatives
£500 for family support services projects
£500 for sport and recreation projects
£445 for community safety initiatives

COMMUNITY MEMBER GRANTS

Ann Allen, MBE / Avtar Sandhu, MBE

Naked Frank Theatre (21-DA-1)

Out Beyond Her Shore

£500

A short story project named 'Out Beyond Her Shore' about mental health was performed for and watched by Oxleas NHS Foundation Trust patients on a virtual reality headset. This provided many patients with the opportunity to engage with arts and theatre projects for the first time. Member Grant funding contributed to production costs and virtual reality headsets so that patients could remain safe and engage with the project.

Bexley Park Residents Association (21-DA-2)

Bexley Park Communications

£445

Member Grant funding provided support for a newly formed residents' association. The association plan to host regular meetings, run a website and a newsletter to ensure residents can easily access information regarding their community.

Parkwood Rangers FC (21-DA-3)

Ladies Football Equipment

£500

Member Grant funding assisted with providing vital new training equipment for the ladies' football team to allow them to use this to prepare for their games and help them reach their full potential.

We are Beams (21-DA-4)

Plant a Smile New Garden Project

£500

The 'Plant a Smile New Garden' project provided the respite centre with a sensory garden, a vegetable patch, an outdoor play area as well as an outdoor seating area. Member Grant funding contributed to a social seating area, to enable children and their families to enjoy the garden comfortably.

Dartford & Crayford Creek Restoration Trust (21-DA-6)

Dartford Creek Slipway

£500

Member Grant funding helped to provide the materials, tools, and equipment to clear the riverbanks and provide safe moorings for visiting vessels as well as finishing the public slipway to make it usable.

Kelly Grehan

Kindness Community CIC (21-DA-11)

Kindness and Wellbeing Group

£800

The kindness and wellbeing group offers a welcoming hub for residents to attend each week to connect with and support others. Member Grant funding assisted with the provision of craft materials and resources to support the sessions.

Temple Hill Youth Club (21-DA-12)

Defibrillator

£1,750

Member Grant funding contributed towards a defibrillator and cabinet to be placed outside the youth club for members of the community to use in an emergency.

Peter Harman

Dartford Cambria Sea Scouts (21-DA-5)

Defibrillator

£1,600.80

Member Grant funding assisted with the provision of a defibrillator and suitable cabinet in a prominent location in the village of Greenhithe for use in the event of an emergency, which will be beneficial to all residents of the village.



South Eastern Baptist Association (21-DA-7)

Defibrillator

£2,790

After completing first aid training, residents in Castle Hill became aware that there was no defibrillator with easy access in the area. As there were a significant number of exercise classes in the area each week, the residents felt that it was necessary to have a defibrillator and associated cabinet for emergencies which has been funded through a Member Grant

"A paramedic who lives on the development is interested in setting up a group of volunteers 'first responders' who are first aid/medically trained and have a defibrillator on site will help this group to be better equipped."

Swanscombe and Greenhithe Town Council (21-DA-10)

Festive Lights

£1,500

Member Grant funding contributed to the festive lights that enhanced the enjoyment of Christmas whilst also hoping to encourage residents to visit the two High Streets and to shop at local businesses.

Jeremy Kite, MBE

Sutton at Hone and Hawley Parish Council (21-DA-8)

Jubilee Walk to School Path

£5,000

Member Grant funding was used to create a path through the countryside and local recreation ground for parents and local primary school pupils to use as a safer route when walking to and from school, rather than walking along the A225.

1st New Barn Scouts (21-DA-9)

Defibrillator

£1,725

Member Grant funding assisted with the provision of a defibrillator and installation costs outside of the local community hall for the local community to use in an emergency.

Dover – Member Grant Funding Breakdown of Spend

In total 9 grants were awarded for the 2021/22 period by Dover Members. Of which:

- 6 grants were awarded to charities
- 1 grant was awarded to a community organisation
- 1 grant was awarded to Kent Highways
- 1 grant was awarded to a Parish Council

With the exclusion of Kent Highways, 5 grants were awarded to organisations that had been supported in the past 3 years, with the remaining 3 organisations new recipients of a Combined Member Grant.

Dover Member's Annual Member Grant Spend and roll forward figure for 2022/23 period:

- **David Beaney – Dover West**
Spend in the 2021/22 period - £0 with a £10,000 roll forward figure for 2022/23
- **Trevor Bond – Deal & Walmer (2 Member Division)**
Spend in the 2021/22 period - £300 with a £9,700 roll forward figure for 2022/23
- **Sue Chandler - Sandwich**
Spend in the 2021/22 period - £4,400 with a £5,600 roll forward figure for 2022/23
- **Nigel Collor – Dover Town (2 Member Division)**
Spend in the 2021/22 period - £1,000 with a £9,000 roll forward figure for 2022/23
- **Steve Manion – Dover North**
Spend in the 2021/22 period - £7,336 with a £2,664 roll forward figure for 2022/23
- **Derek Murphy – Deal & Walmer (2 Member Division)**
Spend in the 2021/22 period - £800 with a £9,200 roll forward figure for 2022/23
- **Oliver Richardson – Dover Town (2 Member Division)**
Spend in the 2021/22 period - £0 with a £10,000 roll forward figure for 2022/23

Total Dover Member Spend for 2021/22 - £13,836:

- £4,500 for sport and recreation projects
- £4,100 for cultural & heritage initiatives
- £2,400 for open spaces projects
- £1,440 for traffic management and road safety projects
- £1,396 for social care initiatives

COMMUNITY MEMBER GRANTS

Trevor Bond

Deal Music and Arts Limited (21-DO-3)

Fringe Festival

£300 (£600 total award)

A joint award with Derek Murphy, Member Grant funding provided venue hire and general support to scope the preparation and planning for the introduction of a Fringe Festival to allow the local community to get involved with music workshops and general artistic activities.

Sue Chandler

Stourmouth Parish Council (21-DO-4)

Stourmouth Cemetery Improvements

£2400

Following the Parish Council taking over the management of the cemetery in 2020, improvements to restore the treasured area for many and provide a space for contemplation and reflection were planned. Member Grant funding assisted the Parish Council to provide a new noticeboard and general remedial works such as hedging regeneration.

Woodnesborough Community Project (21-DO-8)

Disabled Toilet and Baby Changing Room

£2000



A wide-reaching community facility required Member Grant funding to help in providing specialised sanitary ware, lights, safety cord, flooring and a baby changing unit. This assisted to modernise the clubhouse and provide essential services for the community.

Nigel Collor

The Channel Dash Memorial Trust (21-DO-10)

80th Anniversary Memorial Service

£1000 (£2000 total award)

A joint award with Trevor Shonk, Member Grant funding assisted the Trust to provide a memorial service for the 80th Anniversary of Operation Fuller and assisted in providing seating and general facilities for invited guests.

Steve Manion

Martha Trust (21-DO-2)

Music on the Farm Community Festival

£1396

The Martha Trust looks after young people and adults with profound and multiple learning disabilities, Member Grant funding helped support the Trust's Music on the Farm Community Festival. Funding contributed towards portable toilets, sound and lighting and marquee hire. The event which was held for residents, care staff, families, and the public to celebrate and thank supporters of the Trust.

"We had such amazing feedback from festival goers as after the devastating impact of Covid19, people felt liberated and happy to be able to come to an 'in person' event again after 2 years of lockdown....it really had a huge positive impact on people..."

Snowdown Colliery Welfare Male Voice Choir (21-DO-5)**Men United in Song****£1,000**

Member Grant funding assisted the choir to encourage residents to join the men's choir. In addition to providing support for venue hire, banners, flyers, and posters were created to promote the choir and provide new members with a new uniform. The choir offers cohesion within the local community and the involvement of the whole district community, particularly Aylesham and the surrounding area.

St Margaret's Bay Conservation Association (21-DO-6)**Conservation Character Appraisal****£1500**

Member Grant funding contributed towards the first conservation character appraisal for St Margaret's Bay. The appraisal will be carried out by a specialist conservationist who will research the history of the area, the history of the people, the area, the landscape, and its unique setting.

Betteshanger Social Club (21-DO-7)**Furniture Renewal****£2000**

Member Grant funding provided new clean and wipeable furniture for the social club that was suitable for a new way of working following COVID-19 pandemic. This enabled the club to continue to ensure that all members can use the social club to carry out their activities at the social groups.

Derek Murphy**Deal Music and Arts Limited (21-DO-3)****Fringe Festival****£300 (£600 total award)**

A joint award with Trevor Bond, Member Grant funding provided venue hire and general support to scope the preparation and planning for the introduction of a Fringe Festival to allow the local community to get involved with music workshops and general artistic activities.

The Royal Marines Association (21-DO-9)**Contribution to hire of theatre for annual pantomime****£500 (£1000 total award)**

A joint award with Alan Marsh assisted with the production of a pantomime based on an old Royal Marines tradition held for local charities and organisations to enjoy. Member Grant funding contributed to the increased theatre costs subsequently experienced following the COVID-19 pandemic allowing the pantomime to run through early January and be enjoyed by many members of the local community.

HIGHWAY MEMBER GRANTS**Steve Manion****Mongeham Road & Pommeus Lane (21-KHS-DO-1)****Crossroads Warning Signs and STOP Junction****£1440**

In conjunction with Ripple Parish Council, Member Grant funding provided the installation of crossroads warning signs in Mongeham Lane and a new stop junction in Pommeus Lane.

Folkestone & Hythe– Member Grant Funding Breakdown of Spend

In total 9 grants were awarded for the 2021/22 period by Folkestone & Hythe Members. Of which:

- 2 grants were awarded to charities
- 1 grant was awarded to a church or faith group
- 2 grants were awarded to a community organisation
- 1 grant was awarded to Kent Highways
- 2 grants were awarded to a Parish Council
- 1 grant was awarded to a sports organisation

With the exclusion of Kent Highways, 5 grants were awarded to organisations that had been supported in the past 3 years, with the remaining 3 organisations new recipients of a Combined Member Grant.

Folkestone & Hythe Member's Annual Member Grant Spend and roll forward figure for 2022/23 period:

- **Susan Carey – Elham Valley**
Spend in the 2021/22 period - £2,100 with a £7,900 roll forward figure for 2022/23
- **Tony Hills – Romney Marsh**
Spend in the 2021/22 period - £6,980.79 with a £3,019.21 roll forward figure for 2022/23
- **Dylan Jeffrey – Folkestone West**
Spend in the 2021/22 period - £0 with a £10,000 roll forward figure for 2022/23
- **Rory Love, OBE – Cheriton Sandgate & Hythe East**
Spend in the 2021/22 period - £7,571.70 with a £2,428.30 roll forward figure for 2022/23
- **Jackie Meade – Folkestone East**
Spend in the 2021/22 period - £0 with a £10,000 roll forward figure for 2022/23
- **Andy Weatherhead – Hythe West**
Spend in the 2021/22 period - £600 with a £9,400 roll forward figure for 2022/23

Total Folkestone & Hythe Member Spend for 2021/22 - £17,252.49:

£6,971.70 for traffic management and road safety projects
£5,110.79 for cultural & heritage initiatives
£3,000 for social care initiatives
£1,670 for sport and recreation projects
£500 for public health initiatives

COMMUNITY MEMBER GRANTS

Susan Carey

Stelling Minnis Parish Council (21-FH-3)

Village Hall Community Flagpole

£600

In the run up to The Queen's Platinum Jubilee, Member Grant funding provided a contribution towards the creation and installation of the new village hall flagpole for the community to use for special occasions.

Sellindge Tennis Court (21-FH-8)

Court Resurface Project

£1,000

Following an annual clean, advice was received that the court was in such a poor condition in order to maintain the facilities and benefit the local community, it was required to be re-surfaced. Member Grant funding provided a contribution to the sum required to achieve this.

Stanford Parish Council (21-FH-9)

Village Defibrillators

£500

Member Grant funding contributed towards two defibrillators for the villages of Stanford and Westenhangar to ensure that the community has access to them in times of need.

Tony Hills

IMOS Foundation (21-FH-2)

Stonework and Flooring

£3000

Together with Historic England, the Canterbury Archaeological Trust and specialist Heritage Surveyors and builders, the Foundation is working on the ruins of the Hope All Saints Church situated in the parish of St Mary in the Marsh. Member Grant funding provided a contribution to the flooring work to level the ground and stonework to repair the four towers of Hope All Saints Church.

Romney Marsh Day Centre (21-FH-4)

Kitchen Dishwasher

£3000

Following an increase in numbers and with an estimated 16,470 community meals provided between April 2020 – March 2021, up from 7,888 in the same period in 2019, the day centre was required to bring their kitchen equipment up to a modern and more capable standard. Member Grant funding led to the replacement of the industrial standard dishwasher.

Brookland Parochial Church Council (21-FH-5)

Sound System Upgrade

£670

Member Grant funding provided an upgrade to the sound system to allow the Church to have a greater choice of music for weddings/funerals and remembrance services. It is also hoped that the new system will allow more community events and concerts for the local area.

Light Up New Romney (21-FH-7)

Light Up New Romney 2021 – Lantern Parade

£310.79

A community lantern parade through the town to bring residents to the High Street to support local businesses and to restore community spirit among residents during the winter, Light Up New Romney requested Member Grant funding to supply paper lanterns, craft materials and battery fairy lights.

Rory Love, OBE

Hythe Town Concert Band (21-FH-6)

Roof Replacement

£600 (£1,200 total award)

A joint award with Andy Weatherhead. Hythe Town Concert Band has been established on Kent's South Coast for over 140 years. In 2012 the Band needed to find a new home in which to store equipment and instruments, over time the roof has become damaged and Member Grant funding contributed to these repairs.

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HIGHWAY MEMBER GRANTS

Rory Love, OBE

Tanner's Hill, Saltwood (21-KHS-FH-1)

30mph Extension

£6,971.70

Following previous funding from Member Grants for the installation of traffic surveys providing the average speeds of vehicles in this location, additional Grant Member Funding has been provided to extend the 30mph terminal on Tanner's Hill, Saltwood from junction with Castle Road to just past the Cricket Ground entrance at Tanner's Hill, Saltwood.



Gravesham – Member Grant Funding Breakdown of Spend

In total 7 grants were awarded for the 2021/22 period by Gravesham Members. Of which:

- 1 grant was awarded to a charity
- 1 grant was awarded to a community interest company
- 2 grants were awarded to community organisations
- 1 grant was awarded to a Parish Council
- 1 grant was awarded to a school
- 1 grant was awarded to a sports organisation

3 grants were awarded to organisations that had been supported in the past 3 years, with the remaining 4 organisations new recipients of a Combined Member Grant.

Gravesham Member's Annual Member Grant Spend and roll forward figure for 2022/23 period:

- **Conrad Broadley – Northfleet and Gravesend West (2 Member Division)**
Spend in the 2021/22 period - £1,000 with a £9,000 roll forward figure for 2022/23
- **Jordan Meade – Gravesend East (2 Member Division)**
Spend in the 2021/22 period - £2,765 with a £7,235 roll forward figure for 2022/23
- **Alan Ridgers – Gravesend East (2 Member Division)**
Spend in the 2021/22 period - £2,765 with a £7,235 roll forward figure for 2022/23
- **Dr Lauren Sullivan – Northfleet & Gravesend West (2 Member Division)**
Spend in the 2021/22 period - £2,141 with a £7,859 roll forward figure for 2022/23
- **Bryan Sweetland – Gravesham Rural**
Spend in the 2021/22 period - £600 with a £9,400 roll forward figure for 2022/23

Total Gravesham Member Spend for 2021/22 - £9,271:

£4,130 for cultural & heritage initiatives
£3,077 for sport and recreation projects
£1,000 for family support services projects
£564 for community safety initiatives
£500 for public health initiatives



COMMUNITY MEMBER GRANTS

Conrad Broadley

We Are Beams (21-GR-5)

Plant a Smile Garden – Canopy and Nature Table

£1,000

Member Grant funding provided a shaded canopy and nature table that contributed towards the Trust's Plant a Smile New Garden Appeal. The appeal aimed to improve the garden that is part of the Dragon's Retreat 6 bedded Overnight Respite Centre. Children and families that access other services at Beams also use the garden. The garden was over 25 years old and had endured much wear and tear.

Jordan Meade

St John's Catholic Comprehensive School (21-GR-1)

Remembrance Seminar

£1,765 (£3,530 total award)

A joint award with Alan Ridgers. St John's applied for Member Grant funding to contribute towards a Remembrance Seminar and pay for a large variety of guest speakers. The theme of the event was the relevance of memorials and monuments in the contemporary era.

Gravesend RFC Ltd (21-GR-3)

Festival of Sports

£1,000 (£2,000 total award)

A joint award with Alan Ridgers. The rugby club wished to run a Festival of Sport to encourage the take up of sport across the borough including rugby, tennis and hockey. Member Grant funding contributed towards food and entertainment for the event.

Alan Ridgers

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Dr Lauren Sullivan

Girlguiding 1st Northfleet Rainbows (21-GR-2)

Group Rebuilding

£1,077

Member Grant funding came to the aid of the Rainbows, who following a change of leadership, required rebuild support to restore items to maintain the group. Funding contributed to a new storage cupboard, uniforms, books, badges, first aid and craft items.

Gravesham Network Development CIC (21-GR-4)

Christmas in a Box

£500

For the CIC, tackling food poverty is a priority in Gravesham. They approached their local member as they were concerned that many families in need would require assistance over the Christmas period. Member Grant funding provided cleaning and hygiene products for distribution.

G SAFE (21-GR-8)

Shop Safe Stay Safe ID Scheme

£564

A shop safe scheme has been created to help people who may need support while out shopping. The scheme has been promoted to Alzheimer's and dementia support groups, younger people with learning difficulties, and sheltered housing schemes in Gravesham. Over 600 people have signed up, Member Grant funding was provided so that additional cards to be created and distributed to those in need.

Bryan Sweetland

Vigo Parish Council (21-GR-6)

Lighting Up the Water Tower

£600

Member Grant funding provided battery powered static up-lighters to light up the water tower, a symbol of Vigo, in red, white, and blue, to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee in June. The project was designed to bring the community together to witness the event, along with the other plans for the weekend.

Maidstone - Member Grant Funding Breakdown of Spend

In total 16 grants were awarded for the 2021/22 period by Maidstone Members. Of which:

- 5 grants were awarded to charities
- 1 grant was awarded to a community interest company
- 2 grants were awarded to Kent Highways
- 6 grants were awarded to Parish Councils
- 1 grant was awarded to a school
- 1 grant was awarded to a sports organisation

With the exclusion of Kent Highways, 5 grants were awarded to organisations that had been supported in the past 3 years, with the remaining 9 organisations new recipients of a Combined Member Grant.

Maidstone Member's Annual Member Grant Spend and roll forward figure for 2022/23 period:

- **Tom Cannon – Maidstone Central (2 Member Division)**
Spend in the 2021/22 period - £444.11 with a £9,555.89 roll forward figure for 2022/23
- **Sir Paul Carter, CBE – Maidstone Rural North**
Spend in the 2021/22 period - £1,000 with a £9,000 roll forward figure for 2022/23
- **Ian Chittenden – Maidstone North East**
Spend in the 2021/22 period - £5,550 with a £4,450 roll forward figure for 2022/23
- **Gary Cooke – Maidstone South East**
Spend in the 2021/22 period - £1,000 with a £9,000 roll forward for 2022/23
- **Paul Cooper – Maidstone South**
Spend in the 2021/22 period - £0 with a £10,000 roll forward figure for 2022/23
- **Dan Daley – Maidstone Central (2 Member Division)**
Spend in the 2021/22 period - £0 with a £10,000 roll forward figure for 2022/23
- **Lottie Parfitt-Reid – Maidstone Rural South**
Spend in the 2021/22 period - £2,730 with a £7,270 roll forward figure for 2022/23
- **Shellina Prendergast – Maidstone Rural East**
Spend in the 2021/22 period - £3,400 with a £6,600 roll forward figure for 2022/23
- **Simon Webb – Maidstone Rural West**
Spend in the 2021/22 period - £4,320 with a £5,680 roll forward figure for 2022/23

Total Maidstone Member Spend for 2021/22 - £18,444.11:

- £4,764.11 for traffic management and road safety projects
- £4,000 for sport and recreation projects
- £2,900 for public health initiatives
- £2,750 for open space projects
- £1,430 for cultural & heritage initiatives
- £1,100 for environmental, highway and routine maintenance initiatives
- £1,000 for family support services projects
- £500 for library services projects

COMMUNITY MEMBER GRANTS

Sir Paul Carter, CBE

Bearsted Parish Council (21-MA-2)

Summer Play Scheme

£1,000

Member Grant funding provided a contribution to the hall hire for the Bearsted Parish Council's non-profit making Summer Play Scheme for primary school aged children from the local areas. With demand growing every year, the Parish Council increased the 2021 opening times from 4 hours per day to 6 hours.

Ian Chittenden

Ringlestone Community Development Centre Group (21-MA-1)

£3,000

Member Grant funding contributed towards a site survey to determine the level of piling needed for the potential development of a community centre in Ringlestone called St Faiths' Centre to provide local outreach in an area of social need and new high-density housing.

Vinters Park Residents Association (21-MA-9)

Restoration of Woodlands Estate Sign

£750

Member Grant funding contributed to the restoration of a pre-existing road sign on the estate that had been damaged and in need of repair through general wear and tear

"Many people have commented on how they're pleased that it's been restored to its former glory. The residents are all positive about how this and clearing back the undergrowth has improved the area."

Girlguiding 1st Boxley Rainbows (21-MA-10)

Girlguiding Weekly Meetings

£500

A Girlguiding Rainbow unit based at St. Faiths Church Hall in Ringlestone was seeking a temporary home whilst its current hall was being demolished and rebuilt. Member Grant funding contributed to hire costs to enable the unit to continue to meeting weekly and increase attendee numbers at the same time.

Penenden Heath Bowls Club (21-MA-16)

Outdoor seating and water butt

£500

Member Grant funding was provided for a water butt to conserve water and maintain lawn hydration at the Bowls Club. In addition some outside stackable chairs were also funded to create a space for the community to come and sit and make long term friendships.

Gary Cooke

Bicknor Wood Residents Community Group Ltd (21-MA-4)

4 Berkswell Pedestrian Kissing Gates

£1,000

Member Grant funding provided the supply of kissing gates to enable walkers, including those with pushchairs for small children to enter the ancient woodland and enjoy it peacefully. Prior to the installation of the gates, motorcyclists were also able to enter the green space destroying vegetation including protected Bluebells and being a dangerous hazard to the pedestrians who were using the area.

Lottie Parfitt-Reid

Collier Street Parish Council (21-MA-7)

Car Park Resurfacing at the village centre

£500

The car park is situated in the centre of the village and is a popular meeting place and regularly used by families attending the local school. It was presenting a safety issue due to the badly worn surface, Member Grant funding was requested to help to restore this valuable asset to the community and provide safe entrance and egress from the facilities.

Staplehurst Parish Council (21-MA-11)

High Street Railings Painting

£300

The railings were originally installed by Kent Highways some 25 years ago as safety protection for pedestrians. They were repaired and repainted in early 2016 but the paint began to flake off and the railings were beginning to go rusty. The railings are sited along the historic part of the village along the A229 and link the residents from the south of the village to the centre and to the north of Staplehurst and the railway station, keeping pedestrians safe from traffic when walking in this area. Member Grant funding provided suitable paint for the repairs to take place.

Marden Parish Council (21-MA-12)

Groundworks to the side of the library

£500

Marden Library sits at the entrance to Marden village car park and no suitable pedestrian access was available for residents to walk safely from the car park to the library and village shops. Marden Parish Council, with assistance from the Community Pay Back Team, removed the hedging to the side of the library and requested Member Grant funding to contribute toward remedial works to allow safe and accessible access.

Chart Sutton Parish Council (21-MA-15)

Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebrations

£1,430

Chart Sutton Parish Council held a Big Jubilee Lunch on 5th June 2022, in celebration of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. Designed to bring the community together to celebrate a momentous event and also an opportunity to come together once again following the COVID-19 pandemic. Member Grant funding provided portable toilet hire, marquee hire, food and table and chairs.



Shellina Prendergast

Hollingbourne Parish Council (21-MA-3)

Defibrillator

£500

Following a local incident, the Parish Council recognised a need for a defibrillator for the local community and requested Member Grant funding to contribute towards the cost of one.

Wormshill Village Hall Committee (21-MA-5)

Defibrillator

£2,400

Member Grant funding was requested to provide a defibrillator device, housing, installation, training, and signage in an old phone box. The phone box is a short walk from the village hall situated in the centre of the village. The village hall is used by several community groups including cubs, scouts and Duke of Edinburgh schemes and the availability of a defibrillator will be very beneficial in the case of cardiac arrest.

Out to the Woods CIC (21-MA-8)

Forest School – Compost Toilet

£500

To enable comfortable Forest School sessions in the woodland, there is a need to install basic amenities that do not impact on the biodiversity of the woodland setting. Member Grant funding was requested to install a compost toilet and a canopy shelter for participants.

Simon Webb

East Farleigh Primary School (21-MA-14)

New Footpath

£4,320

There was no safe access to the main entrance of East Farleigh School; children, siblings, parents, and visitors walked into the road to gain access. Member Grant funding was requested to assist with excavation and preparation of the area for the new footpath.

HIGHWAY MEMBER GRANTS

Tom Cannon

Grace Avenue (21-KHS-MA-6)

Supply and install two Exeter cast iron bollards on verge at Grace Avenue

£444.11

Member Grant funding supplied and installed two Exeter cast iron bollards on verges at Grace Avenue as a trial to address the verges being overrun by HGVs and refuse lorries associated with a business in the area.

Ian Chittenden

Faraday Road and Heathfield Road, Penenden Heath (21-KHS-MA-13)

Construction of 3 Pram Crossing

£800

Member Grant funding enabled the area to be tidied up by preventing mud and other debris being dragged on to the carriageway by constructing three pram crossings in the Penenden Heath ward.

Sevenoaks – Member Grant Funding Breakdown of Spend

In total 10 grants were awarded for the 2021/22 period by Sevenoaks Members. Of which:

- 1 grant was awarded to a church/faith group
- 1 grant was awarded to a community organisation
- 1 grant was awarded to District Highways
- 5 grants were awarded to Kent Highways
- 2 grants were awarded to Town Councils

With the exclusion of Kent Highways and District Highways, 2 grants were awarded to organisations that had been supported in the past 3 years, with the remaining 2 organisations new recipients of a Combined Member Grant.

Sevenoaks Member's Annual Member Grant Spend and roll forward figure for 2022/23 period:

- **David Brazier – Sevenoaks Rural North East**
Spend in the 2021/22 period - £2,000 with a £8,000 roll forward figure for 2022/23
- **Nick Chard – Sevenoaks West**
Spend in the 2021/22 period - £850 with a £9,150 roll forward figure for 2022/23
- **Perry Cole - Swanley**
Spend in the 2021/22 period - £3,512.21 with a £6,487.79 roll forward figure for 2022/23
- **Roger Gough – Sevenoaks North & Darent Valley**
Spend in the 2021/22 period - £2,896.21 with a £7,103.79 roll forward figure for 2022/23
- **Margot McArthur – Sevenoaks Rural South**
Spend in the 2021/22 period - £755.56 with a £9,244.44 roll forward figure for 2022/23
- **Richard Streatfeild, MBE**
Spend in the 2021/22 period - £500 with a £9,500 roll forward figure for 2022/23

Total Sevenoaks Member Spend for 2021/22 - £10,513.98:

- £2,788 for open spaces projects
- £2,500 for community development projects
- £2,500 for environmental, highway and routine maintenance initiatives
- £1,547.98 for winter service preparations
- £1,178 for traffic management and road safety projects

COMMUNITY MEMBER GRANTS

David Brazier

Ridley Parochial Church Council (21-SE-6)

Amenities Building – Initial Works

£2,000

Part of a larger project to modernise amenities within the church, Member Grant funding was requested to provide a contribution to church internal plumbing and toilets. Used widely across the community, the project will enable the church to continue to be accessed in a safe accessible way.

Perry Cole

Swanley Town Council (21-SE-4)

Window Hatch at Swanley Link

£2,000

Member Grant funding contributed to a new window hatch in the café at the Swanley Link which is the community hub.

Swanley Town Council (21-SE-8)

Event Marquees

£788

Member Grant funding assisted Swanley Town Council to purchase two marquees to use at free community events such as St Georges Day, Armed Forces Day, 1812 night and Light Up the Town. The marquees will be able to be lent to local community groups and organisations such as Churches Together and Schools for local events.

Richard Streatfeild, MBE

Sevenoaks Repair Cafe (21-SE-10)

Equipment and Set Up Costs

£500

The Café's aim is to promote sustainability through offering repairs and teaching others the skills to repair things themselves – hoping to reduce the number of items being thrown away and sent to landfill. Improvement in social inclusion for volunteers and visitors is provided via low-cost refreshments with a place to sit and chat. Member Grant funding provided repair materials, payment equipment, catering equipment as well printing costs for publicity.

HIGHWAY MEMBER GRANTS

Nick Chard

Local Borough Highways-Sevenoaks District Council (21-LBH- SE-1)

Adjustment of entrance (school keep clear) markings at Ide Hill Primary School

£850

Member Grant funding was requested to enable an interim disabled persons parking bay to be provided close to the school.

Perry Cole

Edgar Close, Swanley- (21-KHS-SE-5)

New salt bin

£396.21

Member Grant funding provided a new salt bin for Edgar Close in Swanley to improve safety for road users.

Goldsel Road, Main Road, Lower Road (21-KHS-SE-9)

Request for three traffic surveys in Swanley

£328

Following concerns raised about speeding at the above locations by the local Member, Member Grant funding was requested for three traffic surveys in Goldsel Road, Main Road and Lower Road in Swanley to determine the mean speed on the roads.

Roger Gough

Daltons Road, Chelsfield. (21-KHS-SE-2)

New Salt Bin

£396.21

Member Grant funding provided a new Salt bin at Daltons Road, Chelsfield to improve safety for road users.

Daltons Road, Crockenhill (21-KHS-SE-3)

Replacement fencing

£2,500

In conjunction with the Parish Council, Member Grant funding provided the replacement of existing fencing which had fallen into a poor condition and had a section missing. Due to the previous fencing style no longer being in production, a complete replacement was sought.

Margot McArthur

Bayley's Hill Sevenoaks Weald (21-KHS-SE-7)

2 new salt bins

£755.56



Member Grant funding was requested for 2 new salt bins to improve the winter safety of the road which currently has no salt bin provision.

Swale – Member Grant Funding Breakdown of Spend

In total 23 grants were awarded for the 2021/22 period by Swale Members. Of which:

- 3 grants were awarded to charities
- 2 grants were awarded to community interest companies
- 3 grants were awarded to community organisations
- 4 grants were awarded to District Highways
- 6 grants were awarded to Kent Highways
- 2 grants were awarded to Parish Councils
- 3 grants were awarded to sports organisations

With the exclusion of Kent Highways and District Highways, 7 grants were awarded to organisations that had been supported in the past 3 years, with the remaining 6 organisations new recipients of a Combined Member Grant.

Swale Member's Annual Member Grant Spend and roll forward figure for 2022/23 period:

- **Mike Baldock – Swale West**
Spend in the 2021/22 period - £2,126 with a £7,874 roll forward figure for 2022/23
- **Cameron Beart – Sheppey (2 Member Division)**
Spend in the 2021/22 period - £4,653.03 with a £5,346.97 roll forward figure for 2022/23
- **Andy Booth – Sheppey (2 Member Division)**
Spend in the 2021/22 period - £3,984.95 with a £6,015.05 roll forward figure for 2022/23
- **Mike Dendor – Sittingbourne North**
Spend in the 2021/22 period - £2,012 with a £7,998 roll forward for 2022/23
- **Antony Hook - Faversham**
Spend in the 2021/22 period - £1,209.04 with a £8,790.96 roll forward figure for 2022/23
- **Rich Lehmann – Swale East**
Spend in the 2021/22 period - £5,306 with a £4,694 roll forward figure for 2022/23
- **John Wright – Sittingbourne South**
Spend in the 2021/22 period - £4,850 with a £5,150 roll forward figure for 2022/23

Total Swale Member Spend for 2021/22 - £24,141.02:

- £9,422.95 for sport and recreation projects
- £6,074 for traffic management and road safety projects
- £3,500 for winter service preparations
- £1,600 for open spaces projects
- £1,145.04 for public health initiatives
- £1,000 for cultural and heritage initiatives
- £899.03 for environmental, highway and routine maintenance initiatives
- £500 on services for young people projects

COMMUNITY MEMBER GRANTS

Mike Baldock

Hartlip Village Hall (21-SW-7)

General Hall Maintenance

£390

Hartlip Village Hall is a crucial community resource which provides for the well-being of residents in social, health and emotional ways. A need to overhaul the rainwater services and drainage was identified in order to prevent damage to the building and possible restriction of use of the facility. Member Grant funding provided maintenance works on all gutters and downpipes.



Sittingbourne Christmas Lights and Sleigh Rounds (21-SW-8)

Christmas Lights Installation and Switch On

£500 (£1000 total award)

A joint award with John Wright. Sittingbourne Christmas Lights and Sleigh Rounds runs the Christmas lights in Sittingbourne's High Street, and also runs the Father Christmas sleigh rounds that visit residential areas in Sittingbourne and nearby towns to entertain children in the evenings leading up to Christmas. Member Grant funding contributed to the installation and maintenance of the lights.

Hartlip Parish Council (21-SW-17)

Purchase and Installation of Bench

£736

The residents of the Parish of Hartlip range in age, health and physical mobility and the Parish Council wanted all to be able to access the advantages associated with walking in the area. One noticeable gap in support was the provision of a strategically placed seating to enable individuals to break their journey for rest and to 'stop and stare' thus enjoying and appreciating both the natural and built environment in which they live and spend leisure time. Member Grant funding provided a bench and fixings.

Cameron Beart

Minster (Sheppey) Cricket Club (21-SW-2)

Premier League Sightscreens

£2,748 (£5,496 total award)

A joint award with Andy Booth. The Club's existing sightscreens were too small and did not meet the requirements to play in the Kent Premier League. Member Grant funding provided the screens.

Andy Booth

Minster (Sheppey) Cricket Club (21-SW-2)

Premier League Sightscreens

£2,748 (£5,496 total award)

A joint award with Cameron Beart. The Club's existing sightscreens were too small and did not meet the requirements to play in the Kent Premier League. Member Grant funding provided the screens.

Sheerness East Youth Football Club (21-SW-6)**Football Equipment and Kit****£1236.95**

Member Grant Funding provided coaches/managers kits, a new printer, training equipment and new U15 kits. Following the COVID-19 pandemic, the club's reserves were low and assistance was needed to ensure the team and club could reach their potential with up-to-date equipment.

Antony Hook**Cooksditch Stream Restoration Project (21-SW-5)****New Site Gate****£864**

As part of a wider project to restore Cooksditch Stream, Member Grant Funding was used for the supply, delivery and installation of a new gate. The installation of the gate improved access and made the unloading of plants and tools much easier.

Abbey Neighbourhood Association (21-SW-21)**Defibrillator pads and signage****£345.04**

In response to a Swale Borough Council initiative to fund community defibrillators, the Association requested Member Grant funding to provide defibrillator pads and signage for a new defibrillator to be situated in central Faversham for public use.

Rich Lehmann**Boughton under Blean Parish Council (21-SW-9)****Recreation Ground Bollards****£1,000**

The security wooden bollards around the perimeter of Bull Lane Recreation Ground were in very poor condition. Member Grant Funding was requested to part-fund replacement bollards to improve the security of the grounds.

Painters Forstal Community Association (21-SW-15)**Air Source Heat Pump****£2,000**

The village of Painters Forstal had no community assets following the loss of its shared village hall. A local resident donated a plot of land to the community for the purpose of constructing a community hall. As part of a wider project to bring this facility to fruition, Member Grant funding was requested to contribute towards the cost of an air source heat pump.

Swale Martial Arts Club (21-SW-16)**Defibrillator****£300**

Due to the very rural location of the club, a need for a defibrillator was identified, Member Grant funding was requested to contribute towards the cost of the device.

John Wright

The Bus Shelter Kent Project CIC (21-SW-3)

Kitchen Equipment

£500

The Bus Shelter Kent Project CIC is a community interest company focused on providing help and support to the homeless, vulnerable, and low-income residents of Swale. Continuing to build on facilities implemented during the COVID-19 pandemic, Member Grant funding was requested for a catering microwave, catering cooking pots & pans, aprons, gloves and tea/coffee dispensers.

Sittingbourne Christmas Lights and Sleigh Rounds (21-SW-8)

Christmas Lights Installation and Switch On

£500 (£1000 total award)

A joint award with Mike Baldock. Sittingbourne Christmas Lights and Sleigh Rounds runs the Christmas lights in Sittingbourne's High Street, and also runs the Father Christmas sleigh rounds that visit residential areas in Sittingbourne and nearby towns to entertain children in the evenings leading up to Christmas. Member Grant funding contributed to the installation and maintenance of the lights.

Rotary Club of Sittingbourne Invicta (21-SW-11)

Rotary Club 10K Race & 2K Fun Run

£300

Member Grant funding contributed to the cost of medical support for the event, a 10k race and 2k Fun Run. The event, which was interrupted for two years, is now in its 10th year and provides an opportunity for community participation in two sporting events for all age groups. Historically the event attracted significant numbers of participants from local community organisations, primary and secondary schools, and other sporting organisations and business throughout the Borough of Swale.

Trinity Fencing CIC (21-SW-14)

Tools

£500

To support young ex-offenders, those at risk of offending, unemployed and disadvantaged young people following COVID-19 lockdowns, training in construction was provided by Trinity Fencing CIC to enable accreditation and future work opportunities. Member Grant funding provided tools to ensure that the courses could be run.

HIGHWAY MEMBER GRANTS

Mike Baldock

Wises Lane, Sittingbourne (21-KHS-SW-10)

Salt Bin

£500

To increase the winter road safety provision for the area, a new salt bin site was requested. Member Grant funding provided a salt bin and additional refills.

Cameron Beart

Lower Road, Cowstead Corner, Minster on Sea, Sheerness (21-KHS-SW-12)

Traffic Management, Sign Manufacture, Signposts, and Installation

£899.03

The local Member outlined concerns raised by constituents about driver awareness of the merge in turn marked on the road, officers recommended the addition of DFT prescribed signs which were installed using the Member Grant

Local Borough Highways - Swale Borough Council (21-LBH-SW-22)

Power Station Road/William Rigby Drive, Halfway, Outside Sheerness East Club, Queenborough Road, Halfway and Queenborough Road/Holmside Avenue, Halfway

£1,006

The local Member requested that Member Grant funding be used to install new double yellow lines to improve highway safety by preventing sightline obstructions on two junctions in Halfway, and adjacent to the entrance/exit to a busy car park at Sheerness East Club.

Mike Dendor

Local Borough Highways - Swale Borough Council (21-LBH-SW-1)

Dolphin Road, Sittingbourne

£1,006

Following a request from the local Member, a solution was sought to tackle issues with parked vehicles impeding the safe and free movement of traffic and pedestrians. The scheme funded by the Member Grant involved the inclusion of new double yellow lines in the current traffic regulation order.

Local Borough Highways - Swale Borough Council (21-LBH-SW-18)

Church Road, Murston

£1,006

Following a request from the local Member, a solution was sought to tackle issues with parked vehicles impeding the safe and free movement of traffic and pedestrians. The scheme, funded by the Member Grant, involved the extension of double yellow lines in the current traffic regulation order.

Rich Lehmann

Newnham HIP site 3 just off Frith Road (21-KHS-SW-13)

Salt Bin

£500

To increase the winter road safety provision for the area, a new salt bin site was requested. Member Grant funding provided a salt bin and additional refills.

The Street/ St Pauls Court, Lynsted (21-KHS-SW-20)

Salt Bin

£500

To increase the winter road safety provision for the area, a new salt bin site was requested. Member Grant funding provided a salt bin and additional refills.

Local Borough Highways - Swale Borough Council (21-LBH-SW-23)

Bradfield Avenue/Nutberry Close, Teynham

£1,006

Member Grant funding was requested by the local Member to alleviate vehicles parking close to the junction of Bradfield Avenue and Nutberry Close, Teynham hindering the safe movement of vehicles and obstructing sightlines.

John Wright

Peregrine Road, Fairleas, Step Style and Tavistock Road, Sittingbourne (21-KHS-SW-4)

4 Salt Bins

£2,000

To increase the winter road safety provision for the area, new salt bin sites were requested. Member Grant funding provided four salt bins and additional refills.

Bluebell Drive, Eden Village estate (21-KHS-SW-19)

Provision of 7 timber bollards to hinder verge parking.

£1,050

Member Grant funding was requested from the local estate's management company representative and the residents to try to prevent parking by others and the consequential spoiling of the grass verges.

Thanet– Member Grant Funding Breakdown of Spend

In total 31 grants were awarded for the 2021/22 period by Thanet Members. Of which:

- 5 grants were awarded to charities
- 3 grants were awarded to community interest companies
- 9 grants were awarded to community organisations
- 8 grants were awarded to Kent Highways
- 1 grant was awarded to a not-for-profit organisation
- 4 grants were awarded to Parish Councils
- 1 grant was awarded to a Town Council

With the exclusion of Kent Highways, 9 grants were awarded to organisations that had been supported in the past 3 years, with the remaining 14 organisations new recipients of a Combined Member Grant.

Thanet Member's Annual Member Grant Spend and roll forward figure for 2022/23 period:

- **Rosalind Binks - Broadstairs**
Spend in the 2021/22 period - £2,173 with a £7,827 roll forward figure for 2022/23
- **Karen Constantine – Ramsgate (2 Member Division)**
Spend in the 2021/22 period - £5,422.69 with a £4,577.31 forward figure for 2022/23
- **Derek Crow-Brown – Birchington & Rural (2 Member Division)**
Spend in the 2021/22 period - £6,117 with a £3,883 roll forward figure for 2022/23
- **Lesley Game - Cliftonville**
Spend in the 2021/22 period - £1,887 with a £8,113 roll forward figure for 2022/23
- **Barry Lewis - Margate**
Spend in the 2021/22 period - £9,118 with a £882 roll forward figure for 2022/23
- **Trevor Shonk – Ramsgate (2 Member Division)**
Spend in the 2021/22 period - £6,750 with a £3,250 roll forward figure for 2022/23
- **Linda Wright – Birchington & Rural (2 Member Division)**
Spend in the 2021/22 period - £7,500 with a £2,500 roll forward figure for 2022/23

Total Thanet Member Spend for 2021/22 - £38,967.69:

- £14,149 for cultural and heritage initiatives
- £5,560 for open spaces projects
- £4,500 for business support services
- £4,208.69 for traffic management and road safety projects
- £2,550 for sport and recreation projects
- £2,000 for community development projects
- £2,000 for primary school projects
- £1,500 for environmental, highway and routine maintenance initiatives
- £1,000 on services for young people projects
- £1,000 for preventing social isolation initiatives
- £500 for family support services projects

COMMUNITY MEMBER GRANTS

Rosalind Binks

The Sarah Thorne Theatre Ltd (21-TH-10)

Additional Pantomime Scenery

£2,000

The Sarah Thorne Theatre offers a year-round selection of both professional and community-based productions, topping each year with a traditional seasonal family friendly pantomime. Member Grant funding was requested for the building and delivery of background scenery for the production.

Karen Constantine

Ramsgate Festival of Sound CIC (21-TH-6)

Hear the People Sing

£1,250

Member Grant funding was sought for the first ever Hear the People Sing event and second Busk at Dusk event. A free to attend community concert and musical walk, beginning at the historic Sun Shelter in Winterstoke Gardens, continuing down to the beach where there are 8 shelters built into the chalk cliff face. Funding contributed to performance and production costs.



Pavement Pounders Community Interest Company (21-TH-15)

Voicing the Past

£500 (£800 total award)

A joint award with Barry Lewis. A project was created for the public benefit, to advance through education, awareness of shared heritage by recording, preserving, and disseminating the memories of the living in the area and by maintaining and sharing a growing archive of oral and other material. Member Grant funding contributed to project management and publicity costs for the Margate and Ramsgate participants.

"We were able to obtain a grant from the National Lottery Heritage Fund to expand and continue this project. They were impressed with the level of local support we obtained from amongst others, the KCC Combined Member Grant."

POW! Thanet (21-TH-21)

Power of Women Festival 2022

£500 (£1,500 total award)

A joint award with Lesley Game. POW! (Power of Women) Thanet was founded in 2015 to address a lack of cultural events marking International Women's Day in the East Kent region. Through an annual arts festival and ongoing community outreach and education work, POW! promotes equality and diversity, exploring feminism and issues affecting women and girls. Member Grant funding contributed towards performance and publicity costs.

Kitchen Social & Cookery Club CIC (21-TH-23)

Project Food Academy

£500

Kitchen Social is a not-for-profit dedicated to improving the quality of life through education. Its aims to alleviate poverty, to boost mental & physical health to improve the quality of life. Kitchen Social

operates two programmes specifically for vulnerable families & school children. The Food Academy is a 6-month programme, teaching home cooking & life skills to families across Thanet. Member Grant funding contributed to stationary, packaging and food costs.

Thanet Community Development Trust (21-TH-25)

PC Replacement

£500 (£4,500 total award)

A joint award with Trevor Shonk. The Trust's services are aimed at alleviating the levels of poverty the Thanet community experiences. Their social clubs help to reduce social isolation, a major factor in improving the mental health of those that attend, and their educational courses help people gain new skills and find employment, further education or training and help to lift people out of poverty. Member Grant funding provided 6 new PCs, plus setup to support their back-office operation

Beach Creative CIC (21-TH-26)

Cultural Ambassador

£500 (£2,000 award)

A joint award with Derek Crow-Brown, Barry Lewis, and Lesley Game. Beach Creative requested funding to support the delivery of a visual arts course for those in their community who had never had the opportunity to be taught art formally. The course is designed to offer participants the opportunity to: meet and form networks with likeminded individuals; engage with and demystify arts practice in a gallery setting and enable and empower participants to develop the confidence and skillset to make creative work for their own pleasure, for gifts and potentially for sale. Member Grant funding contributed to tutor fees.

Derek Crow-Brown

Minster Shed (21-TH-14)

Set Up of a New Shed in Minster

£500

Member Grant funding provided wood, a kettle, paint, and decorating products, as well as cleaning products to assist with the establishment of a new shed. It had been identified that there was a problem with loneliness and social contact with men when they come to retirement and whereas there were social outlets for women this was not so readily available to men. However, since the COVID-19 pandemic and lockdowns, the problem of loneliness and lack of social contact has affected all genders and therefore the Minster project has been open to all.

"Several have said it has changed their life."

Birchington Together CIC (21-TH-16)

Birchington Literary Festival

£500 (£1,500 total award)

A joint award with Linda Wright. Member Grant funding provided marquee and chair hire for an innovative and high-profile event at Birchington, with interest from a range of authors, journalists, and broadcasters over a two-day period.

St Nicholas at Wade with Sarre Parish Council (21-TH-17)

Replacement Bus Shelter

£500 (£1,500 total award)

A joint award with Linda Wright. Member Grant funding provided a contribution towards an eco-

friendly bus shelter with a 'living' roof, to enable insects and in particular, bees to live and thrive. It fully supports the Kent Plan Bee initiative.

Birchington Parish Council (21-TH-20)

Refurbishment of Play Park

£1,000

Member Grant funding provided a contribution towards the Parish Council's plans to refurbish a local play park, as well as adapting facilities to make it more accessible.

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Acol Parish Council (21-TH-28)

Play Area Refurbishment

£1,000 (£2,000 total award)

A joint award with Linda Wright. Member Grant funding contributed towards the provision of a perimeter fence and the purchase and installation of a children's roundabout. The scheme was to provide an improved play area for children in a village that had very limited recreational space.

Thanet Big Sing Community Choir (21-TH-30)

Solar Generator

£1,099

Member Grant funding provided a solar generator and accompanying solar panel. The equipment was requested to enable the choir to attend any event in any location; inside and out without the need to trail cables which can be hazardous.

Westgate on Sea Town Council (21-TH-33)

Westgate Skate Jam

£800

The Town Council was approached by an organisation called Team Rubicon who were hosting small, fun, community led events across the country to create a Talent Pathway looking for future Olympic champions. The events are open to all ages and abilities. Member Grant funding was requested to assist with the implementation and production of a community fun day.

Lesley Game

POW! Thanet (21-TH-21)

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Barry Lewis

Margate Carnival Community Event (21-TH-1)

Margate Carnival Community Event

£1,000

Margate Carnival is one of the largest, oldest, and most popular carnivals in Kent, attracting over 1,500 participants and providing entertainment for an audience of 50,000. Member Grant funding provided a contribution to the performer costs for the doorstep carnival, staging and PA systems.

Millmead Children's Centre Partnership Ltd (MCCPL) (21-TH-2)

Millmead Summer Events

£500

Member Grant funding provided a contribution to equipment for two Summer Events: Sports Day and Science Day. The equipment will be re-utilised in future for similar events for children and families in the Millmead area. This is especially beneficial as many families have no outside space.

Your Leisure Kent Ltd (21-TH-9)

Margate Panto for Margate Primaries

£2,000

Member Grant funding provided a contribution towards tickets for Cliftonville School and Drapers Mills School to attend the annual panto. For many, it was their first experience of live theatre.

"The Headteacher was thrilled to be able to take her youngest and oldest pupils to see the Pantomime, a treat the school and the parents would not have been able to fund otherwise."

Colourful Margate (21-TH-11)**Fencing/Pathway Improvements – Dane Park****£1,000**

Member Grant funding provided a contribution towards improving the children's playground fencing and pathways in Dane Park.

Dalby Square Residents Association (21-TH-12)**Community Gardening Club****£1,560**

Member Grant funding contributed towards a gardener and equipment to provide a community gardening club. This was to enable more community participation and create a better environment for the community to enjoy and partake in. The area had been unmaintained which had led to incidences of anti-social behaviour.

Pavement Pounders Community Interest Company (21-TH-15)**Voicing the Past****£300 (£800 total award)**

A joint award with Karen Constantine. A project was created for the public benefit, to advance through education, awareness of shared heritage by recording, preserving, and disseminating the memories of the living in the area and by maintaining and sharing a growing archive of oral and other material. Member Grant funding contributed to project management and publicity costs for the Margate and Ramsgate participants.

Music4Children (21-TH-22)**CoolCrew - Youth project****£500**

This ongoing project to support the needs of young people with disabilities and teenagers provides sessions to promote wellbeing and offer support. Member Grant funding provided a karaoke machine, lighting and additional ambient supplies.

Beach Creative CIC (21-TH-26)**Cultural Ambassador****£500 (£2,000 award)**

A joint award with Karen Constantine, Lesley Game and Derek Crow-Brown. Beach Creative requested funding to support the delivery of a visual arts course for those in their community who had never had the opportunity to be taught art formally. The course is designed to offer participants the opportunity to: meet and form networks with likeminded individuals; engage with and demystify arts practice in a gallery setting and enable and empower participants to develop the confidence and skillset to make creative work for their own pleasure, for gifts and potentially for sale. Member Grant funding contributed to tutor fees.

Trevor Shonk**The Channel Dash Memorial Trust (21-TH-27)****80th Anniversary Memorial Service****£1000 (£2000 total award)**

A joint award with Nigel Collor, Member Grant funding assisted the Trust to provide a memorial service for the 80th Anniversary of Operation Fuller and assisted in providing seating and general

facilities for invited guests

Thanet Community Development Trust (21-TH-25)

PC Replacement

£4,000 (£4,500 total award)

A joint award with Karen Constantine. The Trust's services are aimed at alleviating the levels of poverty the Thanet community experiences. Their social clubs help to reduce social isolation, a major factor in improving the mental health of those that attend, and their educational courses help people gain new skills and find employment, further education or training and help to lift people out of poverty. Member Grant funding provided 6 new PCs, plus setup to support their back-office operation.

Royal Naval Association (Ramsgate) Club / Branch (21-TH-31)

Project 'Mess Refit'

£1,750

The purpose of the project named 'Mess Refit' was to improve key items/services within the RNA Club, above and beyond the basic fittings and services which were available for members and visitors. Member Grant funding provided a contribution to a new seating upgrade as the existing seating was very uncomfortable (particularly for elderly or less mobile members and their visitors). This was limiting the length of time which they could spend with their friends visiting and socialising at the RNA Club.

Linda Wright

Birchington Together CIC (21-TH-16)

Birchington Literary Festival

£1,000 (£1,500 total award)

A joint award with Derek Crow-Brown. Member Grant funding provided marquee and chair hire for an innovative and high-profile event at Birchington, with interest from range of authors, journalists, and broadcasters over a two-day period.

St Nicholas at Wade with Sarre Parish Council (21-TH-17)

Replacement Bus Shelter

£1,000 (£1,500 total award)

A joint award with Derek Crow-Brown. Member Grant funding provided a contribution towards an eco-friendly bus shelter with a 'living' roof, to enable insects and in particular, bees to live and thrive. It fully supports the Kent Plan Bee initiative.

All Saints, Birchington Parochial Church Council (21-TH-18)

Church House Roof

£4,000

Member Grant funding provided a contribution towards repairs to the roof and walls which were damaged through water leaks. The improvements have created a hall that the local community now feels it is worth paying a fee to hire.

Minster Parish Council (21-TH-24)

Woodworking Equipment and Materials – Minster Shed

£500

Further to the grant awarded by Derek Crow-Brown, Member Grant funding additionally provided woodworking equipment and materials to assist with the continued establishment of the shed.

Acol Parish Council (21-TH-28)

Play Area Refurbishment

£1,000 (£2,000 total award)

A joint award with Derek Crow-Brown. Member Grant funding contributed toward the provision of a perimeter fence and the purchase and installation of a children's roundabout. The scheme was to provide an improved play area for children in a village that had very limited recreational space.

HIGHWAY MEMBER GRANTS

Rosalind Binks

Sowell Street Broadstairs (21-KHS-TH-3)

ATC Survey

£173

Member Grant funding was awarded to provide a survey to capture vehicle speeds and volume to determine if there was an issue which could affect road safety and quality of life for residents.

Karen Constantine

Royal Esplanade, Ramsgate (21-KHS-TH-7)

2 dropped kerbs

£1,172.69

Member Grant funding was provided for two dropped kerbs to facilitate pedestrians, especially those with limited mobility, to access the footway and promenade.

Nethercourt Estate, Ramsgate (21-KHS-TH-13)

Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) for 20mph Scheme

£500

In conjunction with Ramsgate Town Council, Member Grant funding provided a contribution towards a Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) for a 20mph Scheme in Nethercourt Estate, Ramsgate.

Derek Crow-Brown

The Street, Acol (21-KHS-TH-29)

2 ATC Surveys

£218

Member Grant funding was awarded to provide two surveys to capture vehicle speeds and volume to determine if there was an issue which could affect road safety and quality of life for residents.

Lesley Game

Devonshire Gardens Cliftonville (21-KHS-TH-4)

ATC survey

£105

Member Grant funding was awarded to provide a survey to capture vehicle speeds and volume to determine if there was an issue which could affect road safety and quality of life for residents.

Madeira Road, Cliftonville (21-KHS-TH-5)

ATC survey

£173

Member Grant funding was awarded to provide a survey to capture vehicle speeds and volume to determine if there was an issue which could affect road safety and quality of life for residents.

Madeira Road, Cliftonville (21-KHS-TH-8)

ATC Survey

£109

Member Grant funding was awarded to provide a second survey to capture vehicle speeds and

volume to determine if there was an issue which could affect road safety and quality of life for residents.

Barry Lewis

Salmestone Ward, Margate (21-KHS-TH-19)

Design Only - 20mph zone

£1,758

Member Grant funding provided the design of a 20mph speed limit on many roads within the ward.

Tonbridge & Malling – Member Grant Funding Breakdown of Spend

In total 29 grants were awarded for the 2021/22 period by Tonbridge & Malling Members. Of which:

- 9 grants were awarded to charities
- 2 grants were awarded to church/faith groups
- 1 grant was awarded to a community interest company
- 5 grants were awarded to community organisations
- 2 grants were awarded to Kent Highways
- 7 grants were awarded to Parish Councils
- 1 grant was awarded to a school
- 2 grants were awarded to sports organisations

With the exclusion of Kent Highways, 5 grants were awarded to organisations that had been supported in the past 3 years, with the remaining 22 organisations new recipients of a Combined Member Grant.

Tonbridge & Malling Member's Annual Member Grant Spend and roll forward figure for 2022/23 period:

- **Trudy Dean, MBE – Malling Central**
Spend in the 2021/22 period - £5,000 with a £5,000 roll forward figure for 2022/23
- **Sarah Hohler – Malling North**
Spend in the 2021/22 period - £1,750 with a £8,250 roll forward figure for 2022/23
- **Mark Hood – Tonbridge (2 Member Division)**
Spend in the 2021/22 period - £1,000 with a £9,000 roll forward figure for 2022/23
- **Sarah Hudson – Malling Rural East**
Spend in the 2021/22 period - £9,750 with a £250 roll forward figure for 2022/23
- **Andrew Kennedy – Malling North East**
Spend in the 2021/22 period - £7,450 with a £2,550 roll forward figure for 2022/23
- **Harry Rayner – Malling West**
Spend in the 2021/22 period - £1,500 with a £8,500 roll forward figure for 2022/23
- **Paul Stepto – Tonbridge (2 Member Division)**
Spend in the 2021/22 period - £2,547 with a £7,453 roll forward figure for 2022/23

Total Tonbridge & Malling Member Spend for 2021/22 - £28,997:

- £9,650 on public health initiatives
- £4,070 for traffic management and road safety projects
- £3,850 for cultural and heritage initiatives
- £2,340 for sport and recreation projects
- £2,300 for preventing social isolation initiatives
- £1,500 for primary school projects
- £1,500 for streetlighting projects
- £1,240 on services for young people projects
- £1,047 for environmental, highway and routine maintenance initiatives
- £500 for community safety initiatives
- £500 for pre-school projects
- £500 for open spaces projects

COMMUNITY MEMBER GRANTS

Trudy Dean

West Malling Parish Council (21-TM-22)

Temporary Re-Opening of Public Toilets

£5,000

Following the closure of public toilets in West Malling in April 2021, Member Grant funding was requested to assist with repairs/maintenance, signage, and ongoing cleaning costs when the toilets were temporarily reopened, to aid residents with a variety of medical conditions, whilst a review was undertaken on the future of the provision.

Sarah Hohler

Leybourne Parish Council (21-TM-12)

Defibrillator

£750

Member Grant funding was requested to contribute towards the purchase of a defibrillator to be placed on the outside wall of the village hall and be available for residents should they require it.

Offham Parish Council (21-TM-13)

Speed Indicator Device Pole, Church Road, Offham

£1,000

Offham Parish Council requested Member Grant funding for a post and bracket for a Speed Indicator Device in Church Road near the school to substantially improve the safety of residents, pedestrians, road users and in particular the children and parents travelling to and from Offham Primary School.

Mark Hood

Slade PTA (21-TM-6)

Playground Markings

£500

The playground at Slade Primary School was in a poor condition with all the playground markings and the paint on the adventure playground, which had been out of bounds for much of the COVID-19 pandemic, gone. As part of a wider project planned by the school/PTA, Member Grant funding was requested to replace the markings on the playground with designs by the children to teach decision-making and compromise skills.

Tonbridge Dementia Friendly Community (21-TM-10)

Dementia Café

£500

In 2019 the Alzheimer's Society announced that from March 2020, they would stop all front-line dementia services which would have included two dementia cafes, a dementia peer support group, a day care and 2 carer support groups in Tonbridge. Tonbridge Dementia Friendly Community decided to try and replace some of those services and were able to obtain use of the Angel Indoor Bowls Club as a venue with no charge, Member Grant funding was requested to provide additional resources such as refreshments and general stationery, as well as to part fund an activities co-ordinator.

Carer Feedback: "So nice not to feel alone, great information to help what is out there to help us."

Sarah Hudson

Mereworth Parochial Church Council (21-TM-3)

Mereworth Community Clock Appeal

£2,500

Member Grant funding was requested to contribute towards the cost of the repairs to the community clock. The clock was manufactured by Gillett & Johnston of Croydon, in 1894.

St John the Baptist Church, Watlington (21-TM-16)

Defibrillator and training package

£1,400

Member Grant funding assisted the Church to purchase a defibrillator to be placed on the outside wall to be available for residents should they require it. This has provided additional emergency cover as the other accessible defibrillator is located at the other end of the village. The funding also covered the cost of defibrillator training including CPR for up to 12 people.

Ember Community Interest Company (21-TM-19)

Hadlow Youth Café

£1,240

Working with the Youth Engagement PCSO and the Parish Council, Ember CIC established a weekly group in Hy-Arts Centre in Hadlow for young people. The group started with very little equipment and resources, Member Grant funding was requested to provide a contribution towards food, a computer console, sports equipment, arts & craft equipment and supplies.

Girlguiding 1st Watlington Guides (21-TM-29)

Camping Equipment

£1,540



1st Watlington Guides last went on camp holiday in August 2019 with 11 girls which was the maximum number that could attend due to limited equipment. At the beginning of October 2021, the unit was full with 36 Guides and 28 girls on the waiting list. However, only five Guides had ever been on a camp holiday and Member Grant funding was requested to provide a contribution towards six lightweight tents for a future trip.

Andrew Kennedy

Burham Parish Council (21-TM-1)

Litter Picking Equipment

£500

Burham Parish Council employ a part-time litter picker to collect any rubbish within areas that are owned by the Parish Council including Burham Recreation Ground. Public areas such as roads and pavements were not able to be covered by the litter picker. Member Grant funding was requested to provide litter picking equipment, gloves and hi-vis jackets so that other areas can be covered.

Ditton Minors FC (21-TM-2)

Defibrillator

£500

As part of a wider campaign by the club to expand the presence of community accessible defibrillators, Member Grant funding was requested to provide a contribution to the cost of a device.

Animals Lost and Found in Kent Ltd (21-TM-4)

Veterinary Fees

£500

As part of a wider bid to reunite, rehabilitate, rescue and rehome animals in the area of Burham, Wouldham, Eccles and Aylesford, Member Grant funding was requested to contribute towards the cost of veterinary fees to stop the increase of stray animals and provide aid to injured animals until they are able to be reunited with their owners or rehomed.

Ditton Church Pre School (21-TM-5)

Reading Corner

£500

As part of a garden development project, Member Grant funding was requested to contribute towards construction materials for a dedicated reading area to help support the delivery of the Early Years Foundation Stage curriculum which is expected to be provided both indoors and outdoors.

Magdalene Ministry (21-TM-7)

Community Food Support

£500

Following consultation with service users and residents, Magdalene Ministry identified a project to provide a mobile delivery service and food hub which would help their volunteers to reach out to the most vulnerable. Member Grant funding was requested to contribute towards food costs.

"Thank you for helping my family, my children now sleep better at night because they are well fed...."

"Feedback from school – my child now concentrates much better in school and is less disruptive in class..." "I'm much happier because I now have people to talk to on a weekly basis..."

60+ Club (21-TM-9)

Outings for 60+ Club in 2021

£500

Many of the 60+ Club members live alone and due to COVID-19 had experienced a particularly sad and lonely time during lockdowns. The 60+ Club is often the only social event visited by members each week. At each club meeting, attendees socialise and chat over tea and coffee and homemade cakes and partake in various activities. Additionally, the club also visit various places across Kent. Member Grant funding was requested to fund coach hire and a boat trip on the Kentish Lady.

Burham Parish Council (21-TM-11)

Re-dedication of Burham War Memorial (100 Years)

£1,000

Burham War Memorial was 100 years old during October 2021. The Parish Council wished to organise a re-dedication of the Memorial by holding a community event and requested Member Grant funding for bunting/flags, food & drink provisions, general tidying of the Memorial Gardens, temporary staging, a plaque and engraving.

St Peter & St Pauls Church Aylesford (21-TM-17)

Food Bank

£500

The food bank in Aylesford continues to meet the needs for families and individuals who are struggling to manage financially whether due to an inability to work, poor mental or physical health,

or job loss especially since the COVID-19 pandemic. The Church provides a food parcel, appropriate to the size of the family, to last for three days providing a balanced diet plus extras as available. Member Grant funding contributed towards food provision.

Wouldham Parish Council (21-TM-18)

Defibrillator

£500

Peters Village is a new housing development set within a rural location. Due to its location, it is popular with visitors, who along with residents make the most of the green open spaces.. Member Grant funding provided a contribution to an accessible defibrillator and cabinet.

Ditton Parish Council (21-TM-21)

Unknown Tommy Statues for Village

£350

In honour and memory of the local people who have served in world conflicts, the Parish Council requested Member Grant funding to purchase a pair of Tommy Statues for the village green and at the War Memorial.

60+ Club (21-TM-23)

Christmas Celebrations and Social Event

£300

The 60+ Club provides an opportunity to socialise and chat over tea and coffee; additionally, the Club participates in day outings and events. To celebrate Christmas, Member Grant funding contributed towards a Christmas lunch for 23 people.

Aylesford Colts FC U13 (21-TM-25)

Renewal of Football Kits

£500

Due to increased costs, Aylesford Colts were awarded Member Grant funding to renew their football kits with the aim to have a renewed focus in the community, inspire the teams and free up budgets to supply other vital football related equipment.

Ditton Infant School PTFA (21-TM-26)

All Weather Daily Mile Running Track

£1,000

As part of a fundraising initiative, Ditton Infant School are aiming to purchase an all-weather daily mile running track for pupils to use daily. This will assist pupils with their focus and attention in school, improve their mental health and enable them to have access to at least one form of physical exercise each day. Member Grant funding provided the track area markings.

St Peter & St Pauls Church Aylesford (21-TM-27)

Aylesford Community Youth Choir

£300

The junior choir had to stop because of COVID-19 restrictions. Experience has shown the benefits to children, meeting together as a team to learn new skills, and using them to perform in public. As soon as the restrictions eased, work was undertaken to re-establish a choir, this time on a wider basis. Thirteen young people have joined, mainly through contact with the three primary schools in

the parish. Member Grant funding was requested to purchase distinctive t-shirts, banners, and branded music folders for performances

Paul Stepto

Tonbridge Welcomes Refugees (21-TM-14)

Provision of Safeguarding Training

£1,000

Tonbridge Welcomes Refugees is a group of local people who welcome, support and work with refugee families who move to Tonbridge and Malling area including via the government's Syrian Vulnerable Persons Resettlement Scheme. Member Grant funding was requested to provide a safeguarding vulnerable adults and children training course for volunteers.

Domestic Abuse Volunteer Support Service (DAVSS) (21-TM-15)

Awareness Campaign and Training Events

£500

Member Grant funding provided promotional design work and printing to help the charity provide awareness raising and training sessions to health professionals, the police, and many other local organisations in order that they can spot the signs of abuse and provide advice, as well as signposting.

The Hygiene Bank (21-TM-20)

Expanding Provision in the Tonbridge locality

£500

The Hygiene Bank receives large quantities of hygiene products from the Kent community and has successfully distributed over 19,000 kg of essentials to more than 46 community partners including food banks, mother and baby services, homeless shelters, churches, schools, nurseries, community kitchens and refuges. To continue to operate at maximum capacity and ensure successful storage to assist with distribution, Member Grant funding was requested to contribute towards leasing costs of a storage facility within the Tonbridge locality.

"Thanks to the support of Kent County Council, we have (during December 2021) distributed over 950kg of essential hygiene, personal care, and household cleaning products to those experiencing poverty.... Supported 13 community partners ...empowered 14 volunteers working across three projects."

RefugEase (21-TM-24)

Free Furniture Collection Service Campaign

£547

Member Grant funding was requested to provide advertising and promotion of a free furniture collection service scheme to prevent landfill, promote recycling and provide cheap second-hand furniture to the local Tonbridge community.

MEMBER HIGHWAY GRANTS

Sarah Hudson

Seven Mile Lane (21-KHS-TM-8)

Consultation on Traffic Regulation Order (TRO)

£3,070

Following concerns raised by residents, farmers, and the Parish Council with the local Member about excessive driver speeds on parts of Seven Mile Lane, Member Grant funding was requested to conduct a public consultation and write a legal TRO for the proposed speed limit change.

Harry Rayner

Borough Green (21-KHS-TM-28)

Provision of load testing of street lighting columns to enable the attachment of festive decorations and hanging baskets to KCC streetlights

£1,500

In conjunction with Borough Green Parish Council, Member Grant funding was requested to ensure that columns were structurally capable of receiving the attachments and keep highway users safe.

Tunbridge Wells – Member Grant Funding Breakdown of Spend

In total 10 grants were awarded for the 2021/22 period by Tunbridge Wells Members. Of which:

- 1 grant was awarded to a District/Borough Council
- 4 grants were awarded to charities
- 2 grants were awarded to community organisations
- 3 grants were awarded to Kent Highways

With the exclusion of Kent Highways, 4 grants were awarded to organisations that had been supported in the past 3 years, with the remaining 3 organisations new recipients of a Combined Member Grant.

Tunbridge Wells Member's Annual Member Grant Spend and roll forward figure for 2022/23 period:

- **Paul Barrington-King – Tunbridge Wells East**
Spend in the 2021/22 period - £7,167.95 with a £2,832.05 roll forward figure for 2022/23
- **Becki Bruneau – Tunbridge Wells South**
Spend in the 2021/22 period - £0 with a £10,000 roll forward figure for 2022/23
- **Sarah Hamilton – Tunbridge Wells Rural**
Spend in the 2021/22 period - £1,217 with a £8,783 roll forward figure for 2022/23
- **Seán Holden - Cranbrook**
Spend in the 2021/22 period - £1,000 with a £9,000 roll forward figure for 2022/23
- **James McInroy – Tunbridge Wells West**
Spend in the 2021/22 period - £0 with a £10,000 roll forward figure for 2022/23
- **Peter Oakford – Tunbridge Wells North**
Spend in the 2021/22 period - £5,105 with a £4,895 roll forward figure for 2022/23

Total Tunbridge Wells Member Spend for 2021/22 - £14,489.95:

£6,301 for traffic management and road safety projects
£2,000 for homeless prevention initiatives
£2,000 on public health initiatives
£1,717 for community safety initiatives
£1,000 on services for young people projects
£605 for open spaces projects
£500 for sport and recreation projects
£366.95 for winter services preparations



COMMUNITY MEMBER GRANTS

Paul Barrington-King

Tunbridge Wells Youth for Christ (21-TW-8)

The Noise 2022

£500 (£1,000 total award)

A joint award with Peter Oakford. The Noise is an established project which has been hosted by different churches across the town over the years. Past projects have helped churches reach out into their communities to set up new projects such as a Kids Club, a regular church service in a sheltered housing complex, a community garden, and a craft club. Member Grant funding provided refreshments, t-shirts, and publicity

Sarah Hamilton

Tunbridge Wells Borough Council (21-TW-2)

Relocation of deployable CCTV

£717

After reports of antisocial behaviour, Tunbridge Wells Borough Council wished to install a CCTV camera. Member Grant funding was requested as the costs to install the camera were considerably higher than normal due to difficulties in installing an outdoor electrical supply socket

Paddock Wood & District Lions Club (21-TW-3)

Paddock Wood Carnival Weekend

£500

A project spread across two days, Rock in the Rec and Carnival Fete, provided local community events in July 2021. Member Grant funding contributed towards first aid, toilet facilities, clean up and PA systems.

“Blessed with excellent weather, young and old turned out in hundreds to enjoy an evening of excellent live music.”

Seán Holden

Benenden Community Shop (21-TW-4)

CCTV System Upgrade

£1,000

Benenden Community Shop, Café and Post Office began operating in 2015 with the aim of preserving the shop and post office in the village, whilst providing a café which would become the village hub. It is run by a mix of paid staff and volunteers. The shop had a basic CCTV system installed when the premises were refurbished. However, it proved inadequate to deal with the security issues which the shop faced. Member Grant funding contributed to cameras, back boxes, and video recorder.

Peter Oakford

The Bridge Trust (21-TW-7)

2 Door Replacements

£2,000

The Bridge Trust’s aim is to provide what is needed to get homeless people from the local streets and out of whatever other, unsatisfactory homeless situation they are in. Their work extends to supporting clients into training, volunteering, and work. The Trust had rented 3 one-bed flats to

Tunbridge Wells Borough Council who were using them for their government sponsored “Housing First” initiative, by placing homeless people directly into this accommodation. Member Grant funding contributed to the cost of two replacement front doors.

Tunbridge Wells Youth for Christ (21-TW-8)

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Hospice in the Weald (21-TW-9)

Air Purifiers

£2,000

For people with a terminal illness, COVID-19 presented a significant risk to them as they often had already severely weakened immune systems. Whilst shielding at home was an option for some, others came into the Hospice either for in-ward care for complex health conditions and end-of-life care. Member Grant funding enabled the Hospice to purchase new, top-of-the-line air purifiers to help minimise the potential spread of any virus in the Hospice, protecting patients, visitors, staff and volunteers.

Southborough SOS Volunteer Group (21-TW-10)

Litter picking equipment

£605

In 2021 Southborough SOS Volunteer Group collected 2377 sacks of rubbish plus enough fly-tipped junk to fill six large skips, all from local roads, housing estates and green spaces. In 2021 the Group was a runner up finalist in the Tunbridge Wells Borough Council “Love Where You Live Awards” for Best Group. Member Grant funding provided a foldable litter picking cart and litter segregation cart.



HIGHWAYS MEMBER GRANTS

Paul Barrington-King

High Street, Pembury

Install a fixed Vehicle Activated Sign (VAS) (21-KHS-TW-1)

£5,522

To increase awareness of the 30mph limit and assist in mitigating inappropriate speed through Pembury, Member Grant funding provided a vehicle activated sign.

Sandhurst Road near Dillon Way (21-KHS-TW-5)

Post installation for existing Speed Indicator Device (SID) scheme

£779

To increase awareness of the 30mph limit and assist in mitigating inappropriate speed around Sandhurst Lane, Member Grant funding provided a post installation for an existing SID scheme.

Westway, Pembury (21-KHS-TW-6)

Salt Bin

£366.95

To assist with pedestrians & vehicles in Westway during wintery conditions, Member grant funding provided a salt bin.

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