

By: Ben Watts, General Counsel  
To: Selection and Member Services Committee – 25 February 2021  
Subject: KCC Combined Member Grant  
Classification: Unrestricted

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Summary: The Committee is invited to comment on and consider the following report relating to the Combined Member Grant for Whitstable East and Herne Bay West.

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## **1. Combined Member Grant for Whitstable East and Herne Bay West**

- 1.1 At the Selection and Member Services Committee on 29 July 2020 a proposal was considered and agreed to provide judgement on the Combined Member Grant for the Whitstable East and Herne Bay West division.
- 1.2 Four applications have been received since the last report to Committee and are attached:
  - 6<sup>th</sup> Whitstable Scout Group – Roof Insulation and small additional projects
  - CTiW Haven – Homeless Care
  - Retreat into Wonderland CIC – Animal Sanctuary Flood Protection
  - The Charitable FC – Mental Health Sports Programme – please see point 1.4 in relation to an outstanding concern.
- 1.3 The Member Hub have checked the application forms and conducted the necessary checks. This has included ensuring that the Organisations are properly constituted and that the breakdown of spend conforms with the Combined Member Grant guidelines.
- 1.4 The only exception is in relation to the application form from The Charitable FC. Due to the impacts of Covid-19 the ability to open business bank accounts is taking longer than normal. It was therefore proposed that following approval that no Grant offer shall be made until confirmation of the account establishment is confirmed by the applicant. Therefore, this application would be an application in principle.
- 1.5 The total request for grant funding in relation to these applications is £14,025. There is adequate funding in the Combined Member Grant for Whitstable East and Herne Bay West to cover these applications.

- 1.6 In normal circumstances these applications would have been approved today by the Committee. However, as the Combined Member Grant Scheme closed on the 31 December 2020, it was agreed by the General Counsel, in consultation with the Chairman, that these applications could be approved outside of the regular Committee meeting. Accordingly, an email was circulated to all Members. A total of five Committee Members confirmed their approval.

**Recommendation:**

The Committee is requested to note the receipt of, and approval process for the final applications for Whitstable East and Herne Bay West.

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Appendices:

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