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To: Selection and Member Services Committee – 16 December 2025

Subject: 2024/25 KCC Combined Member Grants

Classification: Unrestricted

1. Combined Member Grants

- 1.1 As part of its Terms of Reference, this Committee is responsible for monitoring expenditure relating to any Member Grants Schemes. Following the financial closedown period and analysis of the grants processed during the 2024/25 period in the final year of the previous electoral term, a report is now available and attached as an appendix.
- 1.2 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; the only exception to this is during a pre-election period, when the information is removed from KCC's website.
- 1.3 Due to resourcing pressures, the report provides a basic year-end overview of the grants processed during 2024/25. If any Member wishes to request further details of any of the grants contained within the report, please email Members.Desk@kent.gov.uk ahead of the meeting.
- 1.4 A new Member Grant system is currently being piloted which has the ability to provide Members with real time grant spend using Microsoft Power BI. Subject to the successful conclusion of the pilot, it is anticipated that the new system will go live for the 2026/27 financial year.
- 1.5 Many grants were awarded in the last financial year supporting a variety of organisations and thanks are given to Ollie Unthank, Lucy Bigwood, Jenny Leagas, Dilpreet Sall, Georgia Crowhurst, Kieran Hurwood and Janet Kent for their work in processing the 2024/25 grants in line with guidelines.

Recommendation:

The Committee is requested to note the grant recipient list for the Combined Member Grants 2024/25.

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Appendix:

List of Combined Member Grants 2024/25