

Meeting	Decision Session - Cabinet Member for Education, Children and Young People
Date	27 March 2015
Present	Councillor Looker (Cabinet Member)

5. **Declarations of Interest**

The Cabinet Member was asked to declare any personal interests not included on the Register of Interests, any prejudicial interests or any disclosable pecuniary interests she may have in the business on the agenda. None were declared.

6. **Minutes**

Resolved: That the minutes of the Decision Session held on 18 March 2015 be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

7. **Public Participation**

It was reported that there had been no registrations to speak at the meeting under the Council's Public Participation Scheme.

8. **Better Play Grants and the YorPart Scheme**

The Cabinet Member considered a report that sought approval for the allocation of Better Play Grants over £5k for the period 2015-2018. The report also asked the Cabinet Member to approve the process for allocating funding under the YorPart scheme, which supported the voluntary, community and independent Youth Sector.

Better Play Grant Applications

Details were given of the proposed funding agreements over £5k which were for:

- SNAPPY
- Door 84
- The Conservation Volunteers (TCV)

Officers gave examples of the type of activities that would be funded and responded to the Cabinet Member's questions regarding the age groups for which they were targeted and how the activities linked with the "50 things to do" initiative.

The Cabinet Member expressed her support for the proposed allocations.

YorPart Process

The Cabinet Member was asked to formally adopt the approach piloted in 2014, devolving to officers the decision to award grants up to £7.5k on the advice of the Youth Sector Partnership. Officers gave details of the process and the partnership approach that had been taken.

At the request of the Cabinet Member, officers gave details of how the groups reported back on the outcomes of the funding and of the arrangements that were in place to give feedback to those organisations whose bids had not been successful regarding alternative ways forward.

The Cabinet Member stated that she was very positive about the processes that were in place and the partnership working involved.

- Resolved: (i) That the Better Play grants allocation for the period 2015-2018 be approved.
- (ii) That the partnership approach to the allocation of YorPart funding for grants of up to £7.5k for 2015/16, as set out in paragraph 12 of the report, be adopted.

Reason: To increase the wellbeing and quality of life for children and young people.

Cabinet Member

[The meeting started at 9.30 am and finished at 9.45 am].