

OFFICER DECISION

Decision: 2025/26 Ward Budget City Wide Fund Grant Awards																			
Decision Date: 29/12/25																			
Type of Decision: Director	Key		Non-Key X																
Portfolio Area that decision relates to:																			
Leader (inc Corporate Services, Policy, Strategy & Partnerships)		Environment and Climate Emergency																	
Economy & Transport		Finance, Performance, Major Projects & Equalities																	
Children, Young People and Education		Children, Young People & Education																	
Health, Wellbeing and Adults Social Care		Housing, Planning & Safer Communities	X																
Background / Decision Summary:																			
<p>A Ward Budget City Wide Fund of £100,000 was established in 2023 to support organisations working across the whole city or in multiple ward areas. This fund compliments the ward funding allocated at individual ward level and offers the opportunity for groups and organisations working across the city to apply once to a central fund rather than apply to individual wards.</p> <p>In total 25 applications were received for the recent round of funding. The total amount applied for was £179,425. £150,000 is the total funding available through this round and the recommendations are to award £78,493 across a total of 12 projects. As well as the listed approved grant awards, decisions on a number of applications were deferred pending additional information and review as to the need and potential impact of the projects. On conclusion of further review the panel will reconsider these applications as well as whether any of the approved applications can be expanded across the city and/or for more than one year. Two applications were considered more suited to individual ward funding and were referred to the relevant wards, and five applications were not successful.</p> <p>The option not to approve is rejected as this funding is being directed to support delivery of activity contributing to the 4 funding priorities of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Health and wellbeing • Tackling the cost-of-living crisis • Environment and Climate Emergency • Equality of opportunity <p>These priorities link directly to One City, for all the Council plan 2023 – 2027 https://www.york.gov.uk/downloads/file/9262/council-plan-2023-to-2027</p> <p>Decision: To approve the following grants:</p> <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 70%;">York Carers Centre</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£10,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Next Door But One</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£ 7,500</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Walking for Health</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£ 500</td> </tr> <tr> <td>The Gateway Centre</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£ 4,750</td> </tr> <tr> <td>The Hygiene Bank</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£ 2,500</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Menfulness</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£10,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td>The Island</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£10,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td>York Greenways</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£ 1,545</td> </tr> </table>				York Carers Centre	£10,000	Next Door But One	£ 7,500	Walking for Health	£ 500	The Gateway Centre	£ 4,750	The Hygiene Bank	£ 2,500	Menfulness	£10,000	The Island	£10,000	York Greenways	£ 1,545
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Bereaved Children Support York	£10,000
York Neighbours	£10,000
York Rugby League FCF	£ 9,698
York Environment Forum	£ 2,000

Options Considered:

- Approve the spending recommendations by the cross party panel
- Decline all the spending recommendations by cross party panel
- Approve in part the recommendations by the cross party panel
- Decline in part the recommendations by the cross party panel

Options Rejected:

- Decline all the spending recommendations by the cross party panel
- Approve in part the recommendations by the cross party panel
- Decline in part the recommendations by the cross party panel

Consultation Process: Cross Party Grant Panel

Implications

Crime & Disorder		Equalities	X	Highways	
Human Resources		Legal		ICT	
Financial		Affordability		Property	
Climate Change		Health		Other	
Environment		Human Rights			

Implications Contact: Mora
Scaife

Level of Risk: 01-03
Acceptable

Wards Affected:

All Wards	X	Fishergate		Holgate		Rural West York	
Acomb		Fulford & Heslington		Hull Road		Strensall	
Bishopthorpe		Guildhall		Huntington & New Earswick		Westfield	
Clifton		Haxby & Wigginton		Micklegate		Wheldrake	
Copmanthorpe		Heworth		Osbalwick & Derwent			
Dringhouses & Woodthorpe		Heworth Without		Rawcliffe & Clifton			

Comments/Observations:

Decision:

To approve the city-wide ward funding decisions in the annex to this report, with further review of pending and approved applications for a further decision.

Decision Made by: Pauline Stuchfield, Director of Housing and Communities

Contact Details:

On behalf of:

To be implemented by: Mora Scaife

On Completion – Signed off by: Pauline Stuchfield

Date:

29/12/2025

