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To: All members of the Grants Committee: S Alenshasy, A Beaumont, D Biddleston, C Brennan, C Davis, C Fricker and A Halliday

c.c. All other Town Councillors

Dear Councillors,

You are requested to attend a meeting of the **Grants Committee** to be held in the **Town Council office**, on **Wednesday 11th June 2025** commencing at 7.30 p.m.

The agenda for the meeting appears below.

5th June 2025
Katherine Sears
Deputy Town Clerk

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AGENDA

1. MEMBERSHIP

That Councillors S Alenshasy, A Beaumont, D Biddleston, C Brennan, C Davis, C Fricker and A Halliday be appointed members of the Committee for the Municipal Year 2025-26, as agreed at the Town Council meeting held on 20th May 2025.

*RECOMMENDED:**To note the above information.***2. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN***RECOMMENDATION:**To elect a Chair of the Grants Committee for the Municipal Year 2025/2026.***3. APPOINTMENT OF VICE CHAIRMAN***RECOMMENDATION:**To elect a Vice Chair of the Grants Committee for the Municipal Year 2025/2026.***4. MEMBERSHIP**

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*RECOMMENDED:**To note the above information.***5. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

To receive and accept any apologies for absence.

6. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To receive any Declarations of Interest under Keynsham Town Council's Code of Conduct (adopted on 16th April 2019) issued in accordance with the Localism Act 2011 and The Relevant Authorities (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) Regulations 2012, SI No. 1464 and as per Standing Order 3(v)

7. DISPENSATIONS

In accordance with Standing Order 13, to consider any requests for dispensations (for disclosable pecuniary interests) prior to the item(s) being discussed, that Members may only become aware of during the meeting itself and to receive any disclosures of decisions as per item 7 of Keynsham Town Council's Dispensations Policy and Procedure Guide.

8. TERMS OF REFERENCE

NAME OF COMMITTEE	GRANTS Committee
MEMBERSHIP WITH VOTING RIGHTS	7 members of the Town Council
FUNCTIONS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) To formulate a criteria for determining the eligibility for grant applications. (ii) To determine the format of the applications forms and associated information necessary. (iii) To consider and determine every grant application within the agreed criteria and budget. (iv) Ensure publicity is undertaken involving all aspects of the grant process. (v) To monitor and manage the approved budget allocated to grants. (vi) To arrange and hold a grants presentation evening where successful applicants will be expected to attend to give a brief presentation on their group or organisation. (vii) To receive a report from each applicant to back up their expenditure.
DELEGATED POWERS	Authorised to exercise the functions of the Council in considering and assessing applications for financial grant aid and allocating awards as is deemed appropriate within the total predetermined budget for that purpose.
REFERRED BUSINESS	<p>Any changes requested by the grant applicant to the grant awarded.</p> <p>Requests to claim the grant in a different financial year to that already agreed.</p>
QUORUM	3 members of the Grants Committee
FREQUENCY OF MEETINGS	Twice a year

RECOMMENDED:

To consider the Terms of Reference for the Grants Committee and make a recommendation to full Council of any amendments required.

9. RECORD OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

RECOMMENDED:

That the minutes of the Grants Committee meeting held on Wednesday 19th March 2025 (previously circulated) be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

10. LARGE GRANTS FOR OUTSIDE BODIES

RECOMMENDED:

- i) Councillors to consider a larger grant award scheme for all other organisations in the Town*
- ii) If a decision is made to proceed with this matter, it is then recommended to F&P in respect to any budget to be allocated.*
- iii) This matter then needs to be decided by full Town Council*

11. ANNUAL GRANT GIVING EXERCISE 2025 -26 (to follow)

RECOMMENDED:

- (i) That the Committee considers the report.*
- (ii) That the Committee decide on the allocation of the grant funds.*

12. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

RECOMMENDED:

That the Committee's next meeting be held on Wednesday 4th March 2026 at 7.30 p.m.