



Full Council Meeting Minutes of Hednesford Town Council

Community Support Grants

Monday 7th April 2025 at 10am

Pye Green Community Centre, Bradbury Lane, Hednesford, WS12 4EP

Present:

Cllr Alan Pearson
Cllr Arthur Roden
Cllr Paul Jones
Cllr Ronald Turville
Cllr Ann Turville

In attendance from Hednesford Town Council:

Lindsey Smith - Chief Officer
Matthew Johnson – Community Officer

Members of the Public:

There were 0 members of the public present as the meeting was closed to member of the public

3. Apologies:

Cllr S Pearson – Family commitment
Cllr D Cartwright – Declaration of Interest – grant applicant
Cllr S Cartwright – unwell
Cllr G Samuels – prior Civic commitment
Cllr C White – Declaration of interest - grant applicant

4. Declaration of Interest

Cllrs A Pearson, R Turville and A Turville declared declaration of interest as are members of Staffordshire Regimental Association – Hednesford Branch

Cllr A Pearson declared interested as has connection with Littleton Colliery and is also a member of Friends of Hednesford Park

Dispensation was granted by the Chief Officer in order to ensure that the meeting could go ahead and remained quorate

3. Overview from Community Officer

Community Officer advised on number of applications received and of how the scoring matrix works and that Council are to discuss and award grants for the 2025 Community Support Grant

22 Applications were received

4. Award of Community Support Grants

Friends of Hednesford Community Volunteers

For bookcases for display of Heritage books within Hednesford Library

Proposed: Cllr R Turville

Second: Cllr A Turville

Agreed: 5

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Action: £300.00 awarded to Friends of Hednesford Community Volunteers for purchase of bookcases

Lighthouse Community Café

To supplement food supplies for meals at the café on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays

Proposed: Cllr A Turville

Second: Cllr P Jones

Agreed: 4

Against: 0

Abstain: 1

Action: £500.00 awarded to Lighthouse Community Café to supplement food supplies

Pye Green Academy

For 2 sets of school branded hi viz jackets for safe grouping of pupils outside of school

Proposed: Cllr A Pearson

Second: Cllr R Turville

Agreed: 5

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Action: £350.00 awarded to Pye Green Academy for purchase of school branded hi viz jackets for pupils

St Peters Church/Hednesford Parochial Church Council

For purchase of a dishwasher for the Mix and Mingle group

Proposed: 0

Second: 0

Agreed: 0

Against: 5

Abstain: 0

Action: £0.00 funding awarded to St Peters Church

SNAP

To replace worn out soft play shapes to meet the needs of individuals with physical and learning disabilities

Proposed: Cllr A Pearson

Second: Cllr P Jones

Agreed: 5

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Action: £438.90 funding awarded to SNAP for the replacement of soft play shapes

West Chadsmoor Family Centre

To support the provision of the Community Table and access to essential groceries, hygiene products and also access to help and support

Proposed: Cllr P Jones

Second: Cllr A Roden

Agreed: 5

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Action: £500.00 funding awarded to West Chadsmoor Family Centre to support the running of the Community Table

Chase Parkinsons Support Group

To provide remote speech sessions

Proposed: 0

Second: 0

Agreed: 0

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Action: Council did not feel that remote speech sessions would reduce isolation and asked the Community Officer to contact Chase Parkinsons Support Group to ascertain if there is any other way of the funding being used

Cannock Chase Men's Shed

To purchase materials to make a Face in the Hole novelty board to be available as a visitor attraction at events across Hednesford

Proposed: Cllr A Pearson

Second: Cllr R Turville

Agreed: 0

Against: 4

Abstain: 1

Action: £0.00 funding awarded to Cannock Chase Men's Shed

Cannock Cricket Club (Littleworth Road)

To purchase new defib children's pads and to purchase major bleed kit and restock first aid supplies

Proposed: Cllr P Jones

Second: Cllr A Pearson

Agreed: 5

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Action: £362.70 awarded to Cannock Cricket Club for the purchase of children's defib pads, major bleed kit and first aid supplies

Kingsmead School

To provide essential maintenance and improve visitor and staff access to the Farm Project

Proposed: Cllr R Turville

Second: Cllr P Jones

Agreed: 5

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Action: £465.00 awarded to Kingsmead School for the Farm project

To support Chasing the Future project which will provide sporting opportunities for students at 7 primary schools within Kingsmead catchment area.

Proposed: Cllr A Pearson

Second: Cllr R Turville

Agreed: 5

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Action: £250.00 awarded to Kingsmead school for the hire of floodlit venue from Nov- Mar for sporting activities to continue
Hednesford Town Supporters Association

To support Inter Schools football day to give young people in Hednesford opportunity to play in an organised tournament

Proposed: Cllr A Pearson

Second: Cllr R Turville

Agreed: 5

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Action: £250.00 awarded to Hednesford Town Supporters Association to support inter schools football day

Hednesford Branch Staffordshire Regimental Association

To employ a specialist cleaner to restore the regimental memorial located at the cadet centre

Proposed: Cllr P Jones

Second: Cllr A Roden

Agreed: 5

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Action: £250.00 awarded to Hednesford Branch Staffordshire Regimental Association for the restoration of regimental memorial

Friends of Hednesford Library

Support ongoing project to provide free refreshments, subscriptions, books and craft materials for various groups

Proposed: Cllr R Turville

Second: Cllr A Pearson

Agreed: 0

Against: 5

Abstain: 0

Action: £0.00 allocated to Friends of Hednesford Library

Stand By Me

To produce 50 wellness packs for men across Hednesford to support their mental health and which aims to reduce male suicide rates

Proposed: Cllr A Roden

Second: Cllr P Jones

Agreed: 5

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Action: £300.00 awarded to Stand By Me for the production of male wellness packs
Crystal Dance Academy

To provide summer holiday activity and meal for up to 20 children for 4 days over 4 weeks of summer holiday

Proposed: 0

Second: 0

Agreed:

Against: 5

Abstain: 0

Action: £0.00 awarded to Crystal Dance Academy

AFC Greenheath

Support to attract new players so the club can continue to have a future

Proposed: Cllr A Pearson

Second: Cllr R Turville

Agreed: 5

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Action: £150.00 awarded to AFC Greenheath

Fireworks

To support mental health sessions across Hednesford schools

Proposed: Cllr A Pearson

Second: Cllr R Turville

Agreed: 5

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Action: £500.00 awarded to Fireworks for provision of mental health support across schools in Hednesford

The Friends of Hednesford Park

To support supply of replacement pads for the defibrillator for which the Pavillion is responsible for

Proposed: Cllr A Turville

Second: Cllr P Jones

Agreed: 5

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Action: £250.00 awarded to Friends of Hednesford Park for the supply of replacement defib pads

Littleton Miner's Memorial

Request for grant funding to go towards £10,000 cost of manufacture and installation of a memorial at site of former Littleton Colliery

Proposed: Cllr A Pearson

Second: Cllr R Turville

Agreed: 0

Against: 5

Abstain: 0

Action: £0.00 awarded to Littleton Miner's Memorial. Community Officer to advise group to re-contact Hednesford Town Council when nearer the total to seek what further assistance may be able to be given

Burntwood First Responders

To purchase uniform for newly trained responder who covers Cannock Chase area

Proposed: Cllr R Turville

Second: Cllr A Pearson

Agreed: 0

Against: 5

Abstain: 0

Action: £0.00 awarded to Burntwood First Responders

Total awarded: £4766.60

Remaining: £233.40

Confirmed that Community Officer will update grant applicants on the outcome of the allocation on Tuesday 22nd April when back from annual leave

Successful grant awardees to attend Annual Town Assembly on 16th May 2025 to receive certification with release of grants to successful groups week commencing 19th May 2025

12. Date and Time of Next Meeting

Tuesday 29th April 2025 at 630pm

Meeting closed at 11: 47am

Signed:

Date: