

EAST DEVON DISTRICT COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of Community Grant Panel held online via the Zoom app on 1 September 2020

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The meeting started at 10.30 am and ended at 10.50 am

20 Public speaking

Bill McDermott, Chair of Budleigh Salterton Trust reported that the project to purchase Budleigh Salterton Fire Station needed additional funding. When they knew that the fire station would become available they tried to purchase it on behalf of the community. The building would be going to auction with a guide price of £120,000. But there had been considerable interest shown in it and it was likely to achieve a much higher figure.

£200 000 had already been raised and £25,000 pledged from Budleigh Salterton Town Council towards maintenance; but this would not be enough. They were hoping to acquire the Fire Station for the benefit of the community as a centre for community activities. A large number of people were behind the project and the Trust were seeking a donation of £10,000 towards the purchase of the Fire Station for the community benefit.

Mike Ferguson, Member of Coleridge Memorial Trust reported that they were seeking funding towards a life sized bronze statue of Samuel Taylor Coleridge at St Marys Church in Ottery St Mary. It was an important memorial for one of England's most important romantic poets. The statue would help remind and educate people on his legacy.

21 Minutes of previous meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on 18 December 2019 were agreed as a true record.

22 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

23 Matters of urgency

There were no matters of urgency.

24 Confidential/exempt items

There were no items that officers recommended should be dealt with requiring exclusion of the public or press.

25 Crowdfund East Devon - Budleigh Salterton Community Workshop Bid

Jamie Buckley, Engagement & Funding Officer reported that the Budleigh Salterton Community Workshop project on Crowdfunder has now raised more than 25% of their Crowdfunder total. It was noted that they had now sent back answers to a few questions

that were asked and were now eligible to be considered for a Crowdfund East Devon pledge.

It was reported that they now had raised £45,133 of a £50,000 campaign. The maximum available Crowdfund East Devon pledge was therefore £4,867.

RECOMMENDED that a maximum grant of £4,867 be made towards the project from the Crowdfund East Devon pledge.

26 **Crowdfund East Devon - Coleridge Memorial Statue Bid**

Jamie Buckley Engagement & Funding Officer reported that the Coleridge Memorial Trust crowdfunding campaign project on Crowdfunder has now raised more than 25% of their Crowdfunder total. It was noted that they had now sent back answers to a few supplementary questions that were asked and were now eligible to be considered for a Crowdfund East Devon pledge.

It was reported that they now had raised £14,840 of a £20,000 campaign. The maximum available Crowdfund East Devon pledge was therefore £5,160.

RECOMMENDED that a maximum grant of £5,160 be made towards the project from the Crowdfund East Devon pledge.

Attendance List

Councillors present:

P Millar
H Parr
J Rowland

Officers in attendance:

Jamie Buckley, Community Engagement and Funding Officer
Wendy Harris, Democratic Services Officer
Christopher Lane, Democratic Services Officer

Councillor apologies:

J Bailey
D Key
J Loudoun
G Pook

Chairman

Date: