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APPENDIX B

REPORT TO:	Boston Town Area Committee
DATE:	30 th January 2019
SUBJECT:	BTAC Grant Scheme
REPORT AUTHOR:	Maddy Eyre, Local Communities Development Officer and BTAC Grant Administrator
EXEMPT REPORT?	No

SUMMARY

In accordance with the Committee's Small Grant Scheme, this report presents the comments made by the Small Grants Working Group in respect of applications received for the current round, which include applications for larger grants.

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Committee consider the comments made by the Working Group in respect of **eligible** applications, approving or rejecting each accordingly.

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

The Committee's policy is to consider each eligible application in light of the comments made by the Small Grant Working Group.

ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED

NA

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1. REPORT

- 1.1 3 applications were received in Round 3 of the Boston Town Area Committee Small Grant Scheme; of the three, two are large grants and all three considered eligible. The comments from the Working Group are set out in Table 1 below. Eligible applications and supporting documents are available to Members from the BTAC Grant Administrator.

TABLE 1

Applicant	Project	Working group comments
Lincolnshire Housing Partnership – Memory Lane Project	£930 contribution to the cost of putting on 3 community events during 2019, at Mayfields targeting residents of the Staniland Ward	The Working Group support this application and recommend that the full amount is awarded
Parish of Boston – ‘Passion for People’ Project LARGE GRANT APPLICATION	Up to £20,000 contribution to the overall redevelopment programme at St Botolph’s Church, Boston	The Working Group support this application, however, recommend that the Committee decides on the amount to award and how it will be resourced. It should be noted that the Council has already approved £50,000 towards this project
Shakesperts LARGE GRANT APPLICATION	£2,500 contribution to the costs of engaging schools and Boston residents in preparatory craft workshops for their Shakespeare Festival to be held in Central Park on Saturday 6 th April 2019.	The Working Group support this application and recommend that the full amount is awarded, should the festival gain the necessary approvals to allow it to take place.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The value of each grant sought is set out in Table 1. The Committee’s current Small and large grant financial position is set out on the finance pro-forma that accompanies this report.

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LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

This work relates directly to the Local Government Act 2000 and to the Duty of Well-being placed upon the Council to promote and improve the well-being of the District.

ANY OTHER IMPLICATIONS

None

CONSULTATION

Applications have been reviewed by the Small Grant Working Group with their comments set out within Table 1.

APPENDICES

None

BACKGROUND PAPERS

Background papers used in the production of this report are listed below: -

Document title	Where the document can be viewed
Grant Applications	Appropriately redacted applications and supporting information are available upon written request from the BTAC Grant Administrator

CHRONOLOGICAL HISTORY OF THIS REPORT

Name of body	Date
BTAC Small Grants Scheme Working Group	28 th November 2018

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FINANCE PROFORMA

BOSTON BOROUGH COUNCIL

PROFORMA FOR EXECUTIVE APPROVAL OF THE RELEASE OF RESOURCES
(CAPITAL AND REVENUE BUDGETS)

FROM: Rachel Chatterton

THIS PROFORMA PROVIDES THE FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS IN RESPECT OF THE ATTACHED

REPORT: BTAC Grant Scheme
REPORT DATE: 30th January 2018

OPTION 1	£ Year 1 2018/19	£ Year 2 2019/20	£ Year 3 2020/21	£ Year 4 2021/22	£ Year 5 2022/23
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Revenue

Lincolnshire Housing Partnership	£930				
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Parish of Boston Passion for People Project (large)	£20,000				
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Shakesperts (large)	£2,500				
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Total Revenue	£23,430				
Cost					

Funding required:

Total capital cost	£0
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Considered by:

BTAC

Date:

30.01.19

Revenue cost	£23,430 if all grants are fully approved
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Financial Services Comments

Following the decision to cancel the 4th round of the 18.19 Small Grants it has been agreed that the remaining balance be carried forward to allow the applicants to re-apply after the May 2019 elections.

Of the original Small Grants Programme budget there are remaining funds of £5,600. If the Lincolnshire Housing Partnership grant is successful the balance to be carried forward will be £4,670.

Within the current year's budget it is forecast that there will be an underspend of £77,146 – meaning there are currently sufficient funds should the larger applications be successful, although members should bear in mind that there are other calls on BTAC resources and any grant award will reduce the remaining amount available..

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Risk
None

Procurement

Value for Money Efficiency

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