

## SMALL REVENUE GRANTS

<b>Name of Organisation</b>	:	Ansty Residents Association
<b>Purpose for which Grant is : Sought</b>	:	Queen's birthday celebrations – Village Picnic and Cream Tea
<b>Total Project Cost</b>	:	£400
<b>Amount of Grant Sought</b>	:	£400
<b>Previous Grants</b>	:	None

### Background information:

Ansty Residents Association is an unincorporated association established for over ten years. The organisation aims to bring the community together through activities for all ages in the village. Membership of the association costs £4 per household.

The residents association would like to organise a village picnic and cream team in the afternoon on Sunday 12 June, to celebrate the Queen's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday. The event will be open to all residents and they expect between 60-100 people to attend.

The village successfully celebrated the Diamond Jubilee in 2012 and they would like to organise a similar family event for the Queen's birthday. This will be an inter-generational picnic bringing young and old together to celebrate this special occasion.

The total budget amounts to £400 and includes advertising, catering, decorations, marquee hire, prizes and commemorative gifts.

### Head of Finance Comments

Unaudited accounts have been submitted for the year ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 2015 which show a surplus of £323.

Total income was £323; mainly generated from Subscriptions and Donations (£179) and miscellaneous income (£144).

There was no expenditure.

Balances held at the end of the period showed Net assets of £604, comprising of Cash.

### Corporate Grant Assessment Group's evaluation of the project

Ansty is a small rural community and this special occasion provides a great opportunity to bring the community together for a memorable family event to mark the Queen's Birthday. It is recommended that the residents association is awarded a grant of £250 toward the costs, in line with other community groups organising similar lunchtime events.

### The project meets the following corporate objectives

Better Lives – the event will be open to village residents of all ages and will create a sense of community spirit.

**Recommendation**  
**£250**

<b>Name of Organisation</b>	:	Age Concern Hassocks and District Ltd.
<b>Purpose for which Grant is Sought</b>	:	Queen's birthday celebrations – Lunch and Entertainment
<b>Total Project Cost</b>	:	£420
<b>Amount of Grant Sought</b>	:	£250
<b>Previous Grants</b>	:	£3,000 - Funding for outings (2015)

### **Background information:**

Age Concern Hassocks & District Ltd. Is a registered charity (no. 1114153) which provides social care for the elderly of Hassocks and nearby villages of Hurstpierpoint, Keymer, Albourne, Sayers Common, Ditchling, Poynings, Pyecombe and Clayton. The Pauline Thaw Day Centre, in Dale Avenue, provides a freshly cooked three-course meal each weekday and a wide range of entertainment, activities, exercise and outings. Services include chiropody and hairdressing, coffee shop and charity shop open weekdays and Saturday mornings.

Age Concern is organising an event to celebrate the Queen's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday on 21 April 2016. They will offer an afternoon tea, typically of sandwiches, savouries, cakes, fruit, jelly and ice cream and a selection of beverages. An entertainer will lead a singalong and the hall will be decorated in red, white and blue with streamers, hats and party poppers etc. on the tables. Lively afternoon events are always popular because most members go home after lunch and are on their own, so these events extend the day for them.

The total cost of the food and entertainment is £420 and Age Concern is contributing £170 from their own funds. The event will be free of charge and is expected to attract approximately 80-90 members (membership is also free). Many of the members are the same age as the Queen and want to join her birthday celebrations.

### **Head of Finance Comments**

Independently examined accounts have been submitted for the year ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 2014 which show a surplus of £20,036.

Total income was £187,604; mainly generated from Charity Trading Income (£86,910), Grants and Donations (£54,830), Investment Income (£23,241), Fundraising Income (£16,955) and Gain on revaluation of investments (£5,668).

Total expenditure was £167,568; consisting of Supplies and Services (£81,342) and Staff Related (£62,595), Depreciation (£12,593), Premises (£6,504) and Loss on disposals of investments (£4,534).

Balances held at the end of the period showed Net assets of £553,283, comprising of Tangible assets £83,081, Investments £411,556, Cash £59,015, Debtors £621 and Creditors less than 1 year (£990).

### **Corporate Grant Assessment Group's evaluation of the project**

This project will benefit the members of Age Concern by providing them with an opportunity to celebrate the longevity of our longest serving monarch at a free event. The event will be lively, fun and socially inclusive.

### **The project meets the following corporate objectives**

Better Lives – the events organised by Age Concern Hassocks & District help to improve the quality of life of local elderly residents. Many live alone and these activities provide opportunities for them to socialise with their peers in a safe and supportive environment.

Better Services – the majority of older people want to remain independent in their own home for as long as possible. The services provided by Age Concern help to enable independence in later life by providing advice, information, activities and social events.

### **Recommendation**

**£250**

<b>Name of Organisation</b>	:	Turners Hill Day Centre
<b>Purpose for which Grant is :</b>	:	Queen's birthday celebrations – Lunch and <b>Sought</b> Entertainment
<b>Total Project Cost</b>	:	£250
<b>Amount of Grant Sought</b>	:	£250
<b>Previous Grants</b>	:	None

### **Background information:**

Turners Hill Day Centre, also known as The Circle Club, was set up in 1993. The day centre offers a weekly lunch club to elderly people, all of whom are in their 80's and 90's. The majority of member live in are their own homes and are collected and taken home by a team of volunteer drivers. The day centre provides regular exercise classes, a two course lunch, some form of entertainment, teas and coffees. Approximately once per month a trip is organised to a garden centre, private house or other attraction. The majority of members live in Mid Sussex villages and East Grinstead.

The day centre intends to celebrate the Queen's birthday with a lunch and songs in April 2016. Many members cannot take part in local community events due to frailty and transport problems so this celebration will allow them to join in this national event in a safe environment with their friends. They will be invited to bring a friend to share the experience and they will each receive a memento to take home.

### **Head of Finance Comments**

Unaudited accounts have been submitted for the year ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 2015 which show a deficit of £1,016.

Total income was £10,004; mainly generated from Subscriptions (£3,627), Worth Abbey Minibus (£3,425), Travel contributions from members (£1,591), Donations (£759), Grant (£500), Fundraising (£101) and Bank interest (£1).

Total expenditure was £11,020; consisting of Supplies and Services (£11,020).

Balances held at the end of the period showed Net assets of £5,241, comprising of Cash.

### **Corporate Grant Assessment Group's evaluation of the project**

This project will benefit the members of the Turners Hill Day Centre by encouraging them to celebrate this occasion with their friends in a warm and welcoming environment.

### **The project meets the following corporate objectives**

Better Lives – this project will make vulnerable and elderly residents feel part of this national event. Activities to reduce social isolation improve general health and well-being.

### **Recommendation**

**£250**

<b>Name of Organisation</b>	:	Mid Sussex Older Peoples Council
<b>Purpose for which Grant is Sought</b>	:	Heritage event - Queen's birthday celebrations
<b>Total Project Cost</b>	:	£1,000
<b>Amount of Grant Sought</b>	:	£500
<b>Previous Grants</b>	:	£823 – Membership Leaflet and Annual Report (2015)

#### **Background information:**

Mid Sussex Older People's Council (MSOPC) was set up and is managed and run by older people, all volunteers who live in Mid Sussex, to improve the situation of older people across the District. It provides a voice for older people by attending meetings of statutory authorities that make decisions which can impact older people's lives and collecting older people's views via its information network. MSOPC organises 2-3 events per year and produces a quarterly newsletter.

They are planning a heritage project to celebrate the Queen's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday, part of which will involve asking older people to share photos of Mid Sussex taken during the Queen's reign which will be displayed at an afternoon tea on 10 June, on their website ([www.msopc.org.uk](http://www.msopc.org.uk)) and in a printed booklet. The booklet will mean they can share the results of the project with people who do not have access to the internet and cannot make it to the event.

The total project will cost £1,000 and the MSOPC has secured match funding of £500 from the Heritage Lottery. This will cover the costs of designing, printing and posting a two page special edition A4 booklet to celebrate the Queen's 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday.

#### **Head of Finance Comments**

Unaudited accounts have been submitted for the year ending 31<sup>st</sup> December 2014 which show a surplus of £865.

Total income was £25,397; mainly generated from Grants and Subsidies (£25,159), Other income (£106), Donations (£105) and Bank interest (£27).

Total expenditure was £24,532; consisting of Supplies and Services (£20,982) and Premises related (£3,550).

Balances held at the end of the period showed Net assets of £22,603, comprising of Tangible assets £218, Cash £21,985 and Debtors £400.

#### **Corporate Grant Assessment Group's evaluation of the project**

This project will involve older people in Mid Sussex in a celebratory event and create a historical and pictorial record of the Queen's long life and reign. The assessment group feel this will be of benefit to the participants and the archive can be shared through the website and printed material.

#### **The project meets the following corporate objectives**

Better Lives – this project aims to tackle loneliness and social isolation by encouraging people to get out and make friends. Participants will benefit from sharing their history and this gives an opportunity for involvement, discussion and recollection.

#### **Recommendation £500**

<b>Name of Organisation</b>	:	Haywards Heath Town Council
<b>Purpose for which Grant is Sought</b>	:	Queen's birthday celebrations – Sports Day Family Picnic
<b>Total Project Cost</b>	:	£1,500
<b>Amount of Grant Sought</b>	:	£1,000
<b>Previous Grants</b>	:	£750 – Peace Memorial Stone (2015)

### **Background information:**

The Town Council intends to organise a sports day family picnic at Beech Hurst Gardens to mark the Queens 90<sup>th</sup> birthday celebrations and to honour the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Love Park Week.

Love Parks is a year round celebration of parks and green spaces which aims to raise awareness of their importance. It is managed by Keep Britain Tidy, in partnership with the National Federation of Parks and Green Spaces, who run the Green Flag Awards which recognise and reward the very best green spaces. Beech Hurst Gardens has been awarded a Green Flag Award for nine consecutive years.

The Town Council will work with local leisure providers to showcase varied keep fit activities for people of all ages and abilities. The event will promote exercise and enjoyment of outdoor spaces and raise awareness of the long term benefits of regular exercise.

The outdoor space will be decorated with bunting and will involve local people in the national celebrations for the Queen's birthday.

The total project budget amounts to £1,500 which includes organisational fees (£500), First Aid (£300), Toilets (£200), Staging (£300) and PA hire (£200).

### **Head of Finance Comments**

Haywards Heath Town Council is a statutory body and therefore it is not normal practice to comment on the organisations financial accounts.

### **Corporate Grant Assessment Group's evaluation of the project**

This project will benefit the residents of Haywards Heath by delivering a free family event which coincides with the Patrons Lunch street party on The Mall in London. It will enable local people to join in the celebrations and will also promote healthy lifestyles and the high quality local parks. The Town Council requested a grant of £1,000 toward the project costs but the maximum award for Queens Birthday events is limited to £500 but Members may want to consider an uplift.

### **The project meets the following corporate objectives**

Better Lives – green spaces contribute to many health benefits and, if they are well maintained, they are more likely to encourage people to exercise outdoors which reduces stress and helps with conditions such as depression.

Better Services - these events encourage people to take care of the towns assets through volunteering and create a sense of community pride and belonging.

**Recommendation £500**

<b>Name of Organisation</b>	:	Haywards Heath Town Council
<b>Purpose for which Grant is Sought</b>	:	Queen's birthday celebrations – Jubilee Gardens Regeneration
<b>Total Project Cost</b>	:	£2,500
<b>Amount of Grant Sought</b>	:	£1,000
<b>Previous Grants</b>	:	£750 – Peace Memorial Stone (2015)

### **Background information:**

Haywards Heath Town Council has applied for a grant toward the regeneration of the Jubilee Gardens, Caxton Way which they own and maintain. It is currently formally planted with a tree and seating to create a pleasant public space. Jubilee Gardens was established in 1977 for the Silver Jubilee and a wrought iron circular seat was installed in 2012 to celebrate the Diamond Jubilee.

The Town Council aims to create a unique rockery with a centre piece stone engraved with personal greetings from the Councillors and residents of the town. The project will involve local children and tree planting to leave a lasting legacy of the Queen's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday.

The project will take place during May 2016. The total budget is £2,500 and includes a new rockery and planting (£250), new tree (£250), two benches (£800), two litter bins (£500) and other materials (£200).

### **Head of Finance Comments**

Haywards Heath Town Council is a statutory body and therefore it is not normal practice to comment on the organisations financial accounts.

### **Corporate Grant Assessment Group's evaluation of the project**

This project will benefit local residents by making improvements to a public open space that commemorates various milestones of the Queen's reign. This project will create a new feature and smarten up the area by providing new litter bins to keep it tidy and resting places. Members will be aware that a figure of £500 was agreed as the maximum award for Queens Birthday celebrations although the Town Council requested a grant of £1,000.

### **The project meets the following corporate objectives**

Better Lives – vibrant, attractive outdoor spaces that meets the needs of the community and are accessible to everyone help improve social, economic and environmental wellbeing.

Better Services – attractive pedestrian environments are valued by residents and visitors and the Town Council is keen to invest in the green infrastructure to create sustainable areas. These spaces help to combat graffiti, reduce litter and create community pride.

Better Environment – the Town Council has a policy of pollinator friendly planting to help wildlife and improve air quality with cleaner green spaces and greater biodiversity.

### **Recommendation £500**