

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT SPECIAL IN COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE COBH MUNICIPAL DISTRICT HELD VIA ZOOM, ON TUESDAY 29TH MARCH 2022.

Present - Councillors C. Rasmussen, S. Sheppard, A. Barry, S. O'Connor, A. O'Connor , and S. O'Callaghan.

Officials Present:

Mr. S. O'Callaghan, Senior Executive Officer
Mr. P. Lynch, Municipal District Officer
Ms M. McSweeney A/Staff Officer

Community Fund Allocations, 2022

P. Lynch circulated a document to the Members setting out his recommendations for allocation of the General Municipal Allocation of €189,400. He stated that 120 applications seeking a total allocation of €725,00 were received. 20 Applications are being recommended for consideration under the Town Development Fund, 17 other applications are not being recommended for funding, leaving a balance of 83 applications which are being recommended for funding under this scheme.

Community Contract:

P. Lynch stated that he was recommending the following allocations to the various Tidy Towns Organisations, €20,000.00 - Cobh - €10,000 - Carrigtwohill - €10,000- Glounthaune, €8,000 – Watergrasshill, €5,000 - Little Island, €3,500 - Knockraha, €1,000- Factory Hill/Kilcoolishal

In relation to the Glounthaune Tidy Towns application, it was proposed that the grant include funding for a separate project for which they submitted an application for an Amenity Grant

All the members agreed to the proposed allocation as outlined.

Capital Grants :

Ten (10) applications received in total and it was agreed to allocate €10,000 each to the following 4 organisations – Carrigtwohill Community Centre, Cobh Golf Club, Springfield Ramblers, and Little Island Community Association.

In relation to the others, the position is:

2 organisations - Carrig na bhFear Community Council and Watergrasshill First Fruits Arts Centre had not shown that they would be in a position to complete the project with a grant of €10,00.

4 other organisations - Carrigtwohill GAA, Cobh (Great Island) Community Centre, Leaside AFC and Sirius Arts Centre had received Capital Grants in the previous 2 years.

All the members agreed to the proposed allocation as outlined.

Residents Associations:

P. Lynch stated that in 2022, estates representing 2,600 houses applied and a total of €14,350 was being recommended. This allocation was in line with grants allocated in 2021.

All the members agreed to the proposed allocations as presented.

Amenity Grants :

The Scheme indicates:-

Projects costing €7,000 or less	: €5,000 or 75% of the total project cost
Projects costing between €7,000 and €20,000	: €5,000 or 50% of the cost of the project

P. Lynch stated that once he had applied these criteria, he was left with requests of approx. €149,281 and an available fund of €71,550 or just under 49.63% of the funding requests. He had rounded the recommendations to the nearest €25.00 for each group.

7 applications have been excluded – 6 applications were submitted by bodies submitting multiple applications. In each of those cases, one application only is being recommended. The final application was submitted by an organisation who received grants in each of the past 3 years.

Following a discussion, the Councillors agreed with the allocations as presented, with the following amendments. (See attached list with amendments) Where organisations submitted more than one application, only one was being recommended for funding.

Following discussions, an amount of €1,800 remained unallocated. Cobh Caged Bird Society made application after the closing date; it was agreed to award them €975 for their show. The remaining balance of €825.00 will be retained until later in the year.

Town Development Fund

P. Lynch outlined to the members that an allocation of €120,000 was being made available for projects for Cobh/Carrigtwohill under the Town Development Fund 2022. A total of 20 projects were for consideration.

Cobh & Harbour Chamber	Running & promotion of Tourist Office. additional tourist kiosk based at the cruise terminal site. On going staff training.	6000
Cobh Carillon Committee	We request funding to help defray the cost of the summer recitals, particularly that of our guest carillioneurs.	1750
Cobh Summer Swing	To promote Cobh and its environs, both domestic and overseas tourists and provide free entertainment to the tourists and liner passengers	3000

	Continue our activities including Historical commemorations, the reestablishment of the Tourism Ambassador Programme, updating and improving our website and providing engaging content on Social Media.	
Cobh Tourism CLG	Run a targeted advertising campaign on Facebook and Instagram, specifically targeting people that are travelling in a location. A Digital Marketing Agency will be engaged to deliver this campaign. Distribution of Press Releases via a Tourism Marketing Agency. Hire of Press accredited Photographers to cover specific events in Cobh virtually guarantees publication in a selection of print media and provides a good return on investment. Organisation of FAM trips for front of House Hotel staff in Cork city in association with the IHF.	10000
	N/A	
Cobh-Ploermel Twinning Association	Host 24 visitors from Ploermel, our twinned town, from 13/7/2022 to 20/7/22.	3000
Polish Irish festival	We intend to have a festival celebrating Polish tradition and culture	1000
Promenade Entertainment Cobh Tourism	To provide musical and theatrical entertainment on the bandstand in the Promenade on every Saturday and Sunday that does not already have an event planned.	5000
	N/A	
See You in Cobh	The organisation of the Christmas in Cobh Event . Also the provision of a Christmas Tree at the entrance to Great Island and entertainment in The Promenade in the run up to Christmas.	3450
	N/A	
St Patricks Day Parade Committee	Organise and coordinate Patrick's Day Parade.	1800
Paint Scheme	2 options -an application had been received from Cobh Tidy Towns for Phase 2 of West View. Alternatively, members had recently agreed to use the scheme to deal with derelict buildings in Cobh	15000
Cork Film Centre - Cork Young Filmmakers Programme	Cobh Summer Film Programme 2022 to take place over 10 days at Chill on the Hill Youth Cafe in July.	1500
Cobh & Harbour Chamber	Christmas Lights	12500
Cobh Tri Club	Running of Cobh Tri 2022	5000
Cobh St. Patrick's Day Festival	2023 Festival	4000

Carrigtwohill Community Association	Christmas Lights / Upgrade Communal Area outside Community Centre	20000
St Benedict's Priory Bible Garden	Repair & Maintenance equipment for The Bible Garden	4500
Cobh Museum	Contribution towards hiring of Caretaker	12000
Pedestrian Crossing at Newtown	Deferred from last year	6000
Cobh People's Regatta	Contribution towards running costs	4500

A discussion ensued on the distribution of the monies. The members agreed to the following.

The €15,000 allocation for Paint scheme 2022 to be used to tackle dereliction in the town of Cobh as per motion adopted by the members at a recent Council MD Meeting rather than be used for West View.

On the proposal of Cllr. Sinead Sheppard seconded by Cllr. Sheila O'Callaghan the amendments as set out were agreed.

Organisation Name	Approved Grant
AMENITY GRANTS	
118th Cork, Watergrasshill Scout Group	1,200.00
Ballymore Community Association	2,625.00
Carrig na BhFear Juvenile GAA Club	2,075.00
Cobh Animation Team	700.00
Cobh Camogie Club	725.00
Cobh Community Allotment	1,275.00
Cobh Gaa	3,075.00
Cobh Heritage and Vintage Era	400.00
Cobh ladies football club	800.00
Cobh YMCA	3,200.00
Cobh YMCA (PAKT programme)	450.00
Cove boxing club	400.00
Cove Sailing Club	4,400.00
Elton Pitch & Putt	375.00
Erins Own GAA Club	4,350.00
Friends of Cobh Hospital	3,400.00
Glounthaune Community Association	875.00
Irish Bee Conservation Project CLG.,	875.00
Knockraha Area Community Association CLG	600.00
Little Island Heritage Group	1,175.00

Cobh Caged Birds Society	975.00
Rockban Ladies Football and Camogie Club	4,000.00
Rockmount AFC	2,975.00
Rushbrooke Rowing Club	2,375.00
Sirius Arts Centre	5,275.00
The Molgoggers	1,000.00
Watergrasshill United	1,100.00
Watergrasshill Community Association	2,600.00
Watergrasshill Community Hall	2,600.00
Watergrasshill First Fruits Art Centre	1,475.00
Watergrasshill GAA Club	4,775.00
Watergrasshill Planning & Development Association	2,600.00
Waterloo AFC	1,750.00
Whitechurch GAA Club	4,250.00
Funds Retained	825.00

Organisation Name

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Grant**

RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION GRANTS

Upper Mount Eaton Residents Association	150.00
Mount Eaton Residents Association	150.00
Dawn View Residents association	150.00
The Park Residents Ass	150.00
Whitepoint Residents Association	150.00
Crescent Residents Association	150.00
O'Sullivan Place, Cobh, Residents	150.00
Norwood Court Residents Assoc	250.00
St. Colmans Square Residents Association	250.00
Leeview Court RA	250.00
Willow Park Residents association	250.00
Coolamber Residents Group	250.00
Hilltop Park RA	250.00
Patrick square residents association	250.00
carrigeoin residence association	250.00
College Drive Residents (Carrignafey Entrance)	250.00
College Green/Lawn Residents Association	250.00
Lavallin Residents Association	250.00
Moore's Place/Kirkwood Villas Residents' Association	250.00
Residents Association of Cedar crescent	250.00
Ban na Greine Residence Association	400.00
Philip O'Neill Place Residents Association	400.00
Assumption Place & Ringmeen Res. Assoc.	400.00
Glen Corrin Residents Association	400.00
Carrigaloe Community	400.00

Carrigwell RA	400.00
St.Lappans Place and Ballyverry Residents Association	400.00
Belvelly Residents Association	400.00
Woodside resident group	400.00
Ballynoe Residents Association	600.00
Norwood Park Residents Association	600.00
Russell Heights Residents Association	600.00
Cluain Ard RA	600.00
Castleview Residents Association	600.00
Priory Court Residents Association.	600.00
Rushbrooke Manor Residents ASS	850.00
Fota Rock RA	1,000.00
Cul Ard Residents Association	1,000.00

Organisation Name

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COMMUNITY CONTRACTS

Carrigtwohill tidy Towns	10,000.00
Cobh Tidy Towns	20,000.00
Factory Hill/Kilcoolishal Tidy Towns	1,000.00
Glounthaune Tidy Towns (GTT)	10,000.00
Knockraha Area Community Association CLG Tidy Towns Group	3,500.00
Little Island Tidy Towns	5,000.00
Watergrasshill Tidy Towns	8,000.00

Organisation Name

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CAPITAL GRANTS

Carrigtwohill Community Centre	10,000.00
Cobh Golf Club	10,000.00
Little Island Community Association	10,000.00
Springfield Ramblers	10,000.00

Organisation Name

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TOWN DEVELOPMENT FUND

Cobh & Harbour Chamber - Tourist Office	6,000.00
Cobh Carillon Committee	1,750.00
Cobh Summer Swing	3,000.00
Cobh Tourism CLG	10,000.00
Cobh-Ploermel Twinning Association	3,000.00

Polish Irish festival	1,000.00
Promenade Entertainment Cobh Tourism	5,000.00
See You in Cobh	3,450.00
St Patricks Day Parade Committee	1,800.00
Cobh Municipal District Paint Scheme	15,000.00
Cork Film Centre - Cork Young Filmmakers Programme	1,500.00
Cobh & Harbour Chamber - Christmas Lights	12,500.00
Cobh Tri Club	5,000.00
Cobh St. Patrick's Day Festival	4,000.00
Carrigtwohill Community Association	20,000.00
St Benedict's Priory Bible Garden	4,500.00
Cobh Museum	12,000.00
Cork County Council - Pedestrian Crossing at Newtown	6,000.00
Cobh People's Regatta	4,500.00

This concluded the business of the meeting

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Municipal District Officer