



AGENDA ITEM:

**CABINET:
20 JANUARY 2009**

Report of: Council Secretary and Solicitor

Relevant Portfolio Holder: Councillor Hammond

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SUBJECT: ITEM REFERRED FROM MEMBERS UPDATE – COMMUNITY CHEST GRANTS

District wide interest

1.0 PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

1.1 To advise of the decision of the Executive Overview and Scrutiny Committee meeting held on 4 December 2008.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

2.1 That Cabinet (via the Funding of Voluntary Bodies and Other Organisations Cabinet Working Group) be requested to review the criteria for the making of grants from the Community Chest.

3.0 BACKGROUND

3.1 The article attached as an appendix to this report was considered at the Executive Overview and Scrutiny Committee meeting held on 4 December 2008.

3.2 The minute of that meeting reads as follows:-

55. “ITEM REFERRED FROM THE MEMBERS UPDATE - ISSUE 3

Consideration was given to details of an item placed on the agenda from the Members Update by Councillor Cotterill, (circulated and contained on pages 611 – 612 of the book of reports) regarding a grant made from the Community Chest to Freshfields Animal Rescue by the Portfolio Holder for Community Services and Health in accordance with the scheme of delegation to Cabinet Members.

RESOLVED (A) That the grant made to Freshfields Animal Rescue be noted.

(B) That Cabinet (via the Funding of Voluntary Bodies and Other Organisations Cabinet Working Group) be requested to review the criteria for the making of grants from the Community Chest.”

4.0 COMMENTS FROM THE ASSISTANT CHIEF EXECUTIVE

4.1 The Funding of Voluntary Bodies and other Organisations Cabinet Working Group will meet around June/July 2009 in order to review its annual grants to voluntary organisations and it would be timely for it to review the criteria for the making of grants from the Community Chest at this point, should Cabinet so decide.

Background Documents

There are no background documents (as defined in Section 100D (5) of the Local Government Act 1972) to this report.

Equality Impact Assessment

There is no evidence from an initial assessment of an adverse impact on equality in relation to the equality target groups.

Appendices

Article of the Council Secretary and Solicitor