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**To:** Cllr David Monk and Cllr Mrs Jenny Hollingsbee  
**Date:** 14 May 2018  
**Status:** Non key  
**Head of service:** Katharine Harvey  
**Cabinet Member:** Cllr Mrs Jenny Hollingsbee

**SUBJECT:** WW1 CENTENARY MEMORIAL GRANT SCHEME

**SUMMARY:** This report is a summary of the applications received for the WW1 Centenary Memorial Fund. Funding of £50,000 to support this grant scheme was confirmed in the 2018/19 budget. The centenary of the end of World War One is a significant event for our district. The grant scheme is the way the council decided to mark this milestone and provide support for this national event in which Folkestone played a key role in the history of the Great War

**REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS:**

**RECOMMENDATIONS:**

1. To receive and note report C/18/04.
2. To review the applications to the WW1 Centenary Memorial Grant Fund and agree the successful applicants and the amounts of grant to be awarded.

## **1. BACKGROUND**

- 1.1 Cabinet agreed to run the WW1 Centenary Memorial Fund (see report C/17/90). Funding of £50,000 was agreed by Cabinet on 28<sup>th</sup> February. The aim was to provide a fund to support projects to mark the Centenary of the end of World War 1 particularly those which bring cultural, recreational, health, intergenerational, heritage or educational benefits to the local community.
- 1.2 The scheme will support activities and events that provide an opportunity for the community to reflect on the impact of conflict and remember the sacrifice of those who lived, fought and died in the First World War.
- 1.3 The grant scheme criteria are taken into account as part of the decision-making process.
- 1.5 To be eligible, the project had to relate to the centenary of the end of WW1 and have a local connection.

## **2. CONSULTATION**

- 2.1 The Leader in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Communities and officers from the Communities team reviewed and decided which applications were to be awarded funding and how much.

## **3. SCHEME**

- 3.1 The application period ran from 6th April to 7th May. The scheme was promoted via email to the list of relevant contacts and organisations as well as all Members and town and parish councils. Details were posted on Social Media and a press release issued.
- 3.2 A total of 25 applications were received. The value of all the funding requests was just under £120,000.
- 3.3 Applicants included town and parish councils, charities, not for profit organisations and schools.

#### **4. RISK MANAGEMENT ISSUES**

4.1 There is not a great deal of risk management involved in this issue

<b>Perceived risk</b>	<b>Seriousness</b>	<b>Likelihood</b>	<b>Preventative action</b>
Grant not spent as agreed	Medium	Low	Funding agreement sets out conditions of the grant. Grants paid in arrears. Allow to reclaim forward funding
Council does not receive recognition for financial support	Low	Medium	This is one of the assessment factors

#### **7. LEGAL/FINANCIAL AND OTHER CONTROLS/POLICY MATTERS**

##### **7.1 Legal Officer's Comments**

N/A

##### **7.2 Finance Officer's Comments**

N/A

##### **7.3 Diversities and Equalities Implications**

N/A

#### **8. CONTACT OFFICERS AND BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS**

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