

Decision taken by: **Ward Member for Folkestone Central –  
Councillor Mrs Rodica Wheeler**

Subject: Custom Folkestone

**Executive/non-executive decision: Non-executive**

Date decision taken: 3 September 2018

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**Name and address of applicant(s):**

Cherry Truluck  
Director  
Custom Folkestone  
23 East Cliff  
Folkestone CT19 6BU

**Name and description of project:**

Custom Folkestone. A shipping container will be converted to house a new community project called Custom Folkestone. Custom Folkestone is a community interest company borne out of Folkestone's unique creative character. Located between the sea, the Garden of England and the town's Creative Quarter, Custom's kitchen will serve up extraordinary locally sourced food alongside a menu of food-focused artistic projects. Custom will deliver an uplifting and nourishing experience creating, sharing and enjoying amazing food, making it an accessible experience for all.

**DECISION:**

**To provide funding of £367.77 to the above project.**

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**Reason for decision:**

The vision for Custom Folkestone is threefold:

- To establish it as a transformative force within the community, creating tangible benefit and opportunities for employability and cultural experience for local people.

- To gain a reputation for producing beautiful, imaginative and memorable food, sourced locally, that encourages deeper consideration of the landscape in which we operate.
- To be the UK's first dedicated food-focussed art space, with a programme of critical and reflective work that generates change within our own organisation and inspires change in the wider food and art industries.

A number of social and cultural needs that Custom will also address:


1. Access to work experience and employment
2. Access to uplifting cultural experiences
3. Community working together to create change.

**Declarations or disclosable pecuniary interest/any other significant interest:**

None

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**The decision set out above was made by me.**

Signed: 

**3 September 2018**

**Councillor Mrs Rodica Wheeler  
Folkestone Central**