

Decision taken by: **Ward Member for Hythe – Councillor Alan Ewart-James**

Subject: Folkestone and District Mind

Date decision taken: **20 November 2018**

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

Adam Colthorpe  
Fundraising and Communications  
Folkestone & District Mind  
3 Mill Bay  
Folkestone  
Kent CT20 1JB

**Name and description of project:**

Hythe Mind Shop connection – The Mind shops for Folkestone & District Mind have been a fixture of the Hythe high street for some time now and as well as offering a wonderfully eclectic range of donated goods. It also gives us a chance to employ local volunteers of all ages and wellbeing and an opportunity to speak to local people about the range of services that we offer to help them with their own mental health problems.

The biggest challenge we currently face is being able to connect the shops to our main resource centre, to promote our shops online and to be able to take card payments for goods and donations.

**DECISION:**

**To provide funding of £199.33 to the above project.**

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**Reason for decision:**

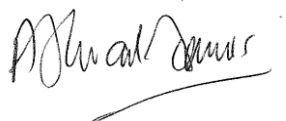
Presently there is no facility for communicating between the hubs and the main resource centre. Shop goods are unable to be promoted online and cash is the only way payments can be made. As more and more people are moving towards cashless transactions, this lack of technology is damaging the long term viability, employment and service offering.

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

None

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

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**Signed:**

**20 November 2018**

**Councillor Alan Ewart-James  
Hythe**