

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

Subject: Academy FM Folkestone

Date decision taken: **17 December 2018**

Name and address of applicant(s):

David Sharp
The Folkestone Academy
Academy Lane
Folkestone
Kent

Name and description of project:

Think Positive – Mental Health project.

DECISION:

To provide funding of £567 to the above project.

Reason for decision:

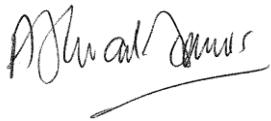
We are applying for £567, part of the funding for a mental health project. Our charity is based in a school and we have seen a considerable rise in the number of mental health problems recently. For the bulk of the funding we have applied to the Kent Community Foundation. Our project will work with 18 young people from Folkestone & Hythe who will learn about mental health issues by taking part in debates (including panel debates with an audience, and radio debates in our studio) – in addition around 160 young people will be in the audiences. Finally, we will train 18 young people to be Mental Health Ambassadors, capable of identifying common problems amongst their peers.

This is not part of any school curriculum. We will work with the Folkestone Academy (which serves a deprived area) and Folkestone School for Girls (high-achieving girls is an 'at risk' group). Your grant will allow us to prepare and disseminate the information from this project to other schools. The project isn't Folkestone town based – the Girls School has many pupils from Hythe and the surrounding area, and we will distribute audio and text information to schools in Folkestone, Hythe, and further afield.

Declarations or disclosable pecuniary interest/any other significant interest:

None

The decision set out above was made by me.

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Signed:

17 December 2018

**Councillor Alan Ewart-James
Hythe**