

Burgess Hill Town Council - Minor Grants Summary Sheet

Organisation	Requested	Awarded	Notes	Column1
Ariel Community Theatre CIC	£1,000			
Burgess Hill Heritage and History Association	£1,000			
Home-Start CHAMS	£750			
Kangaroos	£1,000			
Marle Place Wanderers Football Club	£1,000			
MenWalkTalk	£1,000			
MSOPC	£1,000			
Respect youth club	£501			
SASBAH	£800			
Say Aphasia	£960			
Spire Computer Help	£300			
Summerhaven	£500			
Sussex Chorus	£1,000			
Weald Classic Vehicle Club	£500			
total	£11,311			

Minor Grant Application Summaries

NCA: Net Current Assets

FCC=Forward Cost Cover

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Ariel Community Theatre CIC	53 Burgess Hill residents 37 Othello's + students and 16 adult buddies who attend on a regular weekly basis. (hope to increase with grant)	To extend the provision and increase the number of students and recruit more buddies for support. Example costs -badges, t-shirts, advertising, training(SEND, Makaton) social events, venue hire for training.	£1,000	£2,070	None	The success of the Othello's + sessions relies heavily on the adults who volunteer to support and buddy our students. As part of this project they would like to provide the buddies with t-shirts and badges to identify and create a greater sense of unity between the students and their buddies. As well as organise a series of social events outside of the weekly Othello's + sessions. In turn, they hope to advertise and encourage more young people and adults to commit to volunteering on a weekly basis with this group, which would then enable them to increase the provision of the Othello's + sessions and allow more students to attend and take part in their annual showcase at the Hawth Theatre.	Support the application.	Own funds	Financial Statements 31/08/2023 Income: £39,630 Surplus: £996 NCA: £13,647 FCC: 4 months	Small organisation making a modest surplus. FCC is towards the lower end. No Financial Objection to this application. A signed copy of the accounts should be sought.
Burgess Hill Heritage and History Association	80 BH members (2 non residents) Talks are open to the public	To print the 2024 Programme of Events (2nd run), towards hall hire and guest speakers, to purchase floor standing display boards, final website fees and maintenance fees	£1,000	£1,702.00	2019/22 -£150 2021/22 phase 1 -£100 2021/22 phase 2 -£550 2022/23 phase 1 -£300 2022/23 phase 2 -£300 2023/24 -£500 2024/25 £500	Their monthly guest speaker talks to members and guests are held at the Cyprus Hall to inform residents of the heritage, domestic, industrial and commercial history and the prominent or influential past residents and benefactors of Burgess Hill and the locality. The printed programmes have been made available at the Town Help Point, local library and a number of other town venues to advertise our guest speaker talks.	Support the application however other funding sources should be considered in view of level of support provided.	own funds	Income & Expenditure Account 31/8/23 Income: £2,980 Surplus: £952 NCA: £5,157 FCC: 30 months	Small organisation that has accumulated a good level of reserves and a high FCC. Sufficient funds, although Members may still wish to support this application.
Home-Start CHAMS	Staff/trustees -1 BH members (37 non residents) Beneficiaries -attending sessions = 40 children, 20 siblings and 80 parents will benefit totalling 150 in a year	Towards the running costs of the weekly group that meets at TKC for 10 month to 24 month old children and their parents	£750	£9,315	2015/16 -£777 2016/17 -£750 2023/24 -£500	This is a small, focused group for families who are experiencing anxiety, perinatal depression, mental health issues, bereavement, isolation and struggling to cope with parenting.	Support the application.		Trustees' Report to 31/03/2024 Income:£250k Surplus £26k NCA: £270k FCC: 15 months	Medium sized organisation that has a good level of liquidity. Sufficient funds, although Members may still wish to support this application. A signed copy of the accounts should be obtained.

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Kangaroos	132 BH members (315 non residents) The fair is open to the public	Towards the costs of running the Kangafriends Festive Fair on 30th November at Woodlands Meed	£1,000	£1,900	Previous grants relate to Kangaroos delivering services - this project is for an event working with Friends of Woodlands Meed, as was the 2023 grant. 2010/11 both phases 2011/12, 2012/13, 2013/14 2014/15 both phases -£972 and £972 2015/16 both phases -£972 and £500 2016/17 -£700 2017/18 -£800 2018/19 -£1000 2019/20 -£250 2019/20 -£250 2020 - £1,000 (Covid fund) 2021/22 -£500 2022/23 -£1000 2023/24 - £1,000 (Event in 2023)	The event will be open to Kangaroos members and students at Woodlands Meed and their families, as well as the local community in Burgess Hill. Although the event is for the entertainment of the children and networking opportunities for families, there is a fundraising element to the day which will cover any deficit in the entertainment costs and any additional costs.	Support the application however other funding sources should be considered in view of level of support provided.	Own funds and other grant applications	Trustees' Report to 31/03/2024 Income: £566k Deficit: <£1k NCA: £199k FCC: 4 months	Large organisation that has made a small deficit for the past couple of years, however, the balance sheet is still strong with a modest FCC. No Financial Objection to this application.
Marle Place Wanderers Football Club	160 BH members (45 non residents)	To fund their volunteers first aid training, safeguarding certificates and attend an 'introduction to football coaching' course.	£1,000	£1,190	2010/11 -£200	The club works with children and vulnerable adults. They currently have 28 volunteers -8 require their DBS checks, 16 need to go on a safeguarding course and 15 need to be 1st aid trained. One is required by the FA to attend an introduction to football coaching course.	Support the application.	own funds	Income & Expenditure Account 2023/24 season Income: £17,718 Deficit: £3,336 NCA: £2,924 FCC: 2 months	Small organisation with limited resources that received most of its income from membership fees. No financial objection to this application.
MenWalkTalk	NEW GROUP so no current members -Walking groups average around 10-15 participants per walk, with others who join as and when.	To set up MenWalkTalk offering a number of regular walks where men can meet and talk to each other about their experiences in a supportive environment. Recruitment and training of a Walk Leader; support via social media targeted at Burgess Hill	£1,000	£2,000	None	This is a national group looking to set up locally -their mission is to reduce the stigma surrounding mental illness and improve the lives of men everywhere by providing a platform for men to share their experiences and support each other. They believe that through raising awareness about the importance of mental health and creating a supportive community, they can help men overcome the barriers that prevent them from seeking help.	Support the application.	own funds	Receipts & Payments 31/12/2023 (draft) Income: £52k Surplus: <£1k NCA: £48k FCC: 11 months	Although just a modest size organisation, there is a substantial level of cash and a high FCC. Sufficient funds, although Members may still wish to support this application. The original contact/applicant has left the organisation, however, a new contact name has been provided.
MSOPC	547 BH members (698 non residents)	Towards events in Burgess Hill, for residents who are isolated and lonely. To include tea parties, annual conference and newsletter production	£1,000	£4,528	2010/11 -£258 2013/15 -£150 2014/15 -£350 2015/16 -£400 2020/21 -£484	Everything they provide to residents is free and can be accessed by any person who is over 60, without needing to be a member. Burgess Hill residents will benefit from the events they hold here, and in other local areas, as they will be able to go along and have food, drink, entertainment, the chance to meet friends in a similar situation. At many of the events they provide information and organisations who can offer help and advice.	Support the application.	Own funds and other grant applications	Annual Report & Financial Statements 31/12/23 Income: £7,900 Deficit: £8,855 NCA: £5,583 FCC: 4 months	Grants and donation for the year have decreased considerably from £17k (2022) to £8k in 2023. Costs have increased over this period giving rise to the deficit shown of just under £9k. FCC remains acceptable. No Financial Objection to this application.
Respect youth club	40 BH members	To purchase new board games and sports equipment, to pay for the next year's insurance, and to renew all the Team's Enhanced DBS checks.	£501	£501	2012/13 -£600 2013/14 -£800 2015/16 -£400 2016 -fire donation 2018/19 -£700 2023/24 -£900	RESPECT Youth Club runs weekly throughout the year, and is open to members from aged 9-15. The aim is to serve the Leylands Ward, particularly the Sheddingdean/Bedelands Estates on the north side of town. The Club provides a safe place for young people to 'hang out' without any particular structure imposed on them. The Club also provides special activities from time to time, and the Club will be participating in the Bonfire Procession.	Support the application.	none	Financial Report to 31/5/23 Income: £1,097 Deficit: £2,962 NCA: £2,174 FCC: 6 months	Small organisation with limited funds. No Financial Objection to this application.

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SASBAH	29 BH members (498 non residents) - 20 beneficiaries	Towards their monthly support group and social inclusion sessions for people that are affected by spina bifida, hydrocephalus and related disabilities in the Burgess Hill area.	£800	£1,062	2010/11 -£350 2012/13 -£500 2015/16 -£250 2017/18 -£448 2019/20 -£500 2020/21 -£700 2021/22 -£100 2022/23 -£300	Spina bifida and hydrocephalus (SB&H), present complex physical and learning disabilities in children and adults that can limit independence, mobility and choice, increase ill health and lead to social isolation, anxiety and depression. Spina Bifida is a defect in the development of the spine resulting in total paralysis below the damaged vertebrae. Many people with the condition rely on the use of a wheelchair or have severe mobility problems.	Support the application.	Other grants	Report of the Trustees 31/12/2023 Income: £231k Deficit: £21k NCA: £255k FCC: 12 months	Although a deficit was achieved in the year, this organisation still has a substantial level of cash and a high FCC. Sufficient funds, although Members may still wish to support this application.
Say Aphasia	10 BH members (200 non residents)	Towards the hire of Mid Sussex Golf Club, where the Burgess Hill aphasia support group meets fortnightly.	£960	£960	None	Aphasia is a language disorder as a result of brain damage like stroke or brain injury, affecting the language centres of the brain. The extent of damage to the language centres of the brain can vary significantly and can affect the ability to read, to write, the ability to speak, as well as processing words efficiently. The Group Purpose is to bring people with aphasia or other acquired communication disability together, help people with aphasia to feel less isolated within their community, and feel more confident living with aphasia and provide a safe place where aphasia is understood. The Mid Sussex Golf Club, which offers a uniquely suitable environment for individuals with aphasia. The venue's spacious and comfortable room provides a tranquil atmosphere, free from the distracting echoes that are common in traditional halls and meeting spaces.	Support the application.	none	Trustees' Annual Report 28/9/23 Income: £77,412 Surplus: £19,533 NCA: 51,500 FCC: 11 months	Smallish organisation that has achieved a good surplus for the year giving rise to a high FCC. Sufficient funds, although Members may still wish to support this application.
Spire Computer Help	300 BH members (100 non residents) Service is open to the public	To purchase Public Liability Insurance in order to operate and apply for funding from other sources.	£300	£360	None	They have operated as an informal group of volunteers for 10 years, until they registered as a Constituted Community Group in December. Many users rely on them to keep them connected and help them access digital services, such as booking doctors appointments or applying for bus passes, disabled parking passes, driving licences, passports, bank accounts etc. They are a free to use service for the local community, so have no other income. At the moment they operate on a Thursday morning from the Spire Cafe in St John's Church, Burgess Hill, but are hoping to open on another day at the Cherry Tree. They are also hoping to open up in other areas in future and about to start a trial in Bentswood, Haywards Heath.	Support the application.	own funds	New group, no financial information.	Small scale, minimal risk. No financial objection to grant application.
Summerhaven	25 BH members (5 non residents) 15-25 attend weekly sessions	Towards rent costs for their Sunday drop in (£20 weekly)	£500	£1,300	2015/16 -£1000 2016/17 -£500 2017/18 -£500 2018/19 -£500 2019/20 £500 2023/24 £700	They provide a drop in centre in Burgess Hill for 4 hours each Sunday afternoon for adults with mental health problems. Their rent is currently £20 a week, which is partially recovered through sale of refreshments but a grant is needed to fund the balance. There is uncertainty as to how long they will be able to use the Kiln and the rent to be charged if we need to move to other premises	Support the application.	own funds, events	Profit & Loss to 31/3/2024 Income: £1,925 Deficit: £24 NCA: £1,617 FCC: 9 months	Small organisation and although the FCC is at the higher level, in cash terms, this is modest. No financial objection to grant application.
Sussex Chorus	45 BH members (30 non residents) Concerts are open to the public	To support the staging of 4 choral concerts in 2025.	£1,000	£24,600	2014/15 -£225 2020/21 -£500 2022/23 -£500 2023/24 -£700 2024/25 -£700	The cost includes the hire of professional choral soloists and the hire of a semi-professional orchestra. The cost for these 4 concerts is currently budgeted to a total of approximately £24,000. The majority of their funds come from members' annual subscriptions, in-house fundraising events and any small profits from the concerts. They state they always run very close to their reserves in order to give the public the very best in quality that they can possibly offer as an amateur choir. Sussex Chorus is an amateur community choir based in Burgess Hill, practicing at St Paul's School weekly, and performing concerts mainly in St Andrew's Church. The choir welcomes enthusiastic singers of any age and ability, and no audition is required to join.		Own funds and events	Receipts and Payments Account 31/5/24 Income: £35,230 Surplus: £5,373 NCA: £20,864 FCC: 8 months	Modest sized organisation that has a reasonable level of funds and a higher level FCC: Sufficient funds, although Members may still wish to support this application.
Weald Classic Vehicle Club	45 BH members (30 non residents) Event is open to the public	Towards putting on Wheels Through the Years 2025	£500	£2,130	2022/23 -£1000 (2023 show) 2024/25 -£500 (2024 show)	The 2024 show attracted approx. 6000 visitors, with 265 vehicles on display and 44 local traders had stalls	Support the application.		Profit & Loss 31/03/2024 Income: £3,185 Surplus: £68 NCA: £1,521 (taken from bank statements) FCC: 6 months	Small organisation with modest level of reserves. No financial objection to grant application.
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