

Portfolio Holder Executive Decision Statement

The Local Authority (Executive Arrangements)(Meetings and Access to Information)(England) Regulations 2012

Subject: Repair & Renew Grant 2014

Details of Decision taken: Seven applications to the Repair & Renew Grant to receive funding as follows:

91 High Street, Edenbridge - £ 5,000.00
Riverside, High Street, Otford - £ 5,000.00
99 Millstone Close, South Darenth - £ 975.00
Quintins, Brasted Hall Road, Brasted - £ 4,960.00
Flat 3, 142 Main Road, Sundridge - £ 4,078.00
The Lodge, Squerryes, Westerham - £ 5,000.00
127 High Street, Edenbridge - £ 1,988.21

Reason for Decision

- Cabinet, on 8 May 2014 approved the guidelines for the Repair & Renew Grant and delegated authority to the Economic & Community Development Portfolio Holder to agree funding. After DEFRA made changes to the scheme in late May, Cabinet agreed changes to the Guidelines on 5 June 2014.
- Funding that this Council pays out under the Repair & Renew Grant is claimed back quarterly from DEFRA.
- For the final round of the grant, nine applications were received and appraised on 28 October 2014.
- Officers recommended that seven applications, from 91 High Street (Edenbridge), Riverside, High Street (Otford), 99 Millstone Close (South Darenth), Quintins, Brasted Hall Road (Brasted), Flat 3, 142 Main Road (Sundridge), The Lodge, Squerryes (Westerham), 127 High Street (Edenbridge) be awarded a total of £ 27,001.21.
- Two applications, one from Main Road, Sundridge and one from Mill Hill, Edenbridge, were not recommended to receive funding, as both applications were not eligible.

All Documents considered:

Repair & Renew Grant applications from 91 High Street (Edenbridge), Riverside, High Street (Otford), 99 Millstone Close (South Darenth), Quintins, Brasted Hall Road (Brasted), Flat 3, 142 Main Road (Sundridge), The Lodge, Squerryes (Westerham), 127 High Street (Edenbridge), The Old Hall, Main Road (Sundridge), The Windmill, Mill Hill (Edenbridge)

Details of any alternative options considered and rejected by the Member when making the Decision:

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None		
Financial implications Funding allocated and paid out is claimed back from DEFRA on a quarterly basis. Funding must be claimed from DEFRA by 31 March 2015. The Council's deadline for residents and business to claim funding agreed under the scheme is 31 December 2014.		
Legal Implications and Risk Assessment Statement There are no legal implications from this decision.		
Equality Impacts (Consideration of impacts under the Public Sector Equality Duty)		
Question	Answer	Explanation / Evidence
a. Does the decision being made or recommended through this paper have potential to disadvantage or discriminate against different groups in the community?	No	• Eight of the applications are private houses; 91 High Street Edenbridge (Edenbridge Florist) is a business. The Repair & Renew Grant is open to all properties that were flooded between 1/12/13 and 31/3/14, regardless of the status of the owner.
b. Does the decision being made or recommended through this paper have the potential to promote equality of opportunity?	Yes	
c. What steps can be taken to mitigate, reduce, avoid or minimise the impacts identified above?		No mitigations required
Local Member (s), other Portfolio Holders and/or Directors/Heads of Service Consulted None		
Details of any conflicts of interest a) declared by any executive member who is consulted by the Decision Taker None b) and any details of dispensations granted by the Chief Executive in respect of any declared conflict None		
Decision taken by:	Portfolio Holder for Economic & Community	

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Signed by Portfolio Holder	
Date of Decision	3 November 2014
Record made by:	George Lewis
Date of record:	4 November 2014

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