



**Minutes of the Grants Committee meeting held on Thursday, January 22, 2026 at 13:00 in
Manor Office, 6 North Street, Credition.**

Present: Cllrs Liz Brookes-Hocking, Steve Huxtable and Joyce Harris

Apologies: Cllrs Vix Frisby and John Downes

In Attendance: Rachel Avery, Town Clerk

Minute Taker: Emily Armitage, Administrative Officer

MINUTES

25 WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION

The meeting was opened by the Chair and members introduced themselves.

26 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

There were no members of the public present, and no questions had been submitted.

27 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Downes, who was ill, and Cllr Frisby, who was working.

28 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS

28.1 TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST AND DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS (DPI'S) IN RESPECT OF ITEMS ON THIS AGENDA

Cllr Huxtable declared a personal interest in Credition Talking Newspaper and Cllr Brookes-Hocking declared a personal interest in any applications from the Arts Centre and Holy Cross Church.

28.2 TO CONSIDER ANY DISPENSATION REQUESTS (REQUESTS SHOULD BE MADE TO THE TOWN CLERK PRIOR TO THE MEETING)

None received.

29 ORDER OF BUSINESS

There was no change to the order of business.

30 CHAIRS AND CLERK'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

No announcements were made by the Chair or Clerk.

31 GRANTS COMMITTEE MINUTES

The minutes of the previous meeting held on Tuesday, 6 January 2026, were reviewed and approved as a correct record. Cllr Brookes-Hocking informed the committee about the status of Pippins Nursery as a charity in comparison to Queen Elizabeth's School, which

matched the committee's criteria due to public access to their project. She requested the committee members to affirm their agreement by email that Pippins application would not be approved.

Decision: The minutes of the previous meeting held on Tuesday, 6 January 2026, were reviewed and **approved** as a correct record. (Proposed by Cllr Harris)

32 LARGE GRANT APPLICATION

The committee discussed and approved the large grant of £3,000 for EPIC Family CIC, as recommended by Cllrs Brookes-Hocking, Huxtable, and Harris.

Decision: It was **resolved to approve** the large grant of £3,000 for EPIC Family CIC. (Proposed by Cllr Brookes-Hocking)

33 GRANT ALLOCATIONS

The Town Clerk's report on grant allocations was reviewed. The committee considered the proposal to use underspend from the 2025-2026 budget to fund grants for events occurring before the end of the financial year and the use of £1,354 from earmarked reserves to cover the overspend for 2026-2027, leaving £4,489 in reserve. It was **noted** that these proposals would be considered and ratified by Full Council.

Decision: The committee **resolved** to recommend the use of £1,354 from earmarked reserves to cover the overspend, leaving £4,489 in reserves. (Proposed by Cllr Haris)

Decision: The committee **resolved** to recommend the use of remaining underspend from 2025-2026 and earmarked reserves to finance the grants for 2026-2027. (Proposed by Cllr Haris)

34 DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

Decision: The committee agreed that the next meeting would be held on Tuesday, 31 March 2026.

35 REPORTS PACK

The meeting was closed at 13.46.

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