

Bristol Airport Environmental Improvement Fund
(known as the Bristol Airport Local Community Fund)

Management Committee

Thursday 3rd December 2020 14:00 – 16:00

Minutes of the meeting

Present:

Barry Hamblin	Chairman
Cllr Steve Bridger	North Somerset Council
Cllr Bridget Petty	North Somerset Council
Cllr Steve Hogg	North Somerset Council
Jacqui Mills	Bristol Airport
James Ryan	Bristol Airport
Harry Ellis	Bristol Airport
James Shearman	Bristol Airport

1. Apologies:

Apologies received from Richard Kent and James Shearman. Cllr Hugh Gregor did not attend the meeting.

2. Agree draft minutes from previous meeting:

Minutes approved and agreed from the previous Local Community Fund meeting held on Thursday 3rd September 2020.

3. Update of monies committed in 2019/2020:

An updated total was provided with £59,185 spent so far in 2020 prior to the meeting. This leaves £112,522 remaining in the Community Fund.

4. Correspondence:

It was stated in the meeting that an evaluation form has and will be sent to successful organisations that received funding from the Local Community Fund. Since the last meeting we had received evaluation forms from both the Strawberry Line Café and Cleeve Village Hall who were very complementary after they were awarded funding at the March Community Fund meeting.

It was agreed in March's meeting that West Leigh Infant School would be awarded £8,000 if they were able to secure funding for the remaining £16,000. Since the last meeting we have had confirmation of the extra funding secured by Backwell Parish Council and the school has now received payment from the Local Community Fund.

From September's meeting we received a reply from Wrington Parish Council stating their slight disappointment of only receiving a third of the requested amount. On reply, Bristol Airport reiterated the thoughts of the committee members from the previous meeting that other funding avenues should have been explored rather than the majority of the costs been presented to the Community Fund.

5. Applications for funding:

Wrington Cricket Club

The application requested £5,000 towards the total cost of purchasing covers to protect the cricket club's wicket from the elements.

The project is situated within the core area and meets the education and sustainability criteria of the fund. It was agreed by the committee to award £4,100 towards the cricket club to cover the cost of the larger cover as provided in their quotes.

Resolved: A grant of £4,100 is approved by the committee.

Winford Parish Council

The council requested £10,000 towards replacing the existing Vee Lane play area in Felton due to the fact that a substantial proportion of the old wooden equipment was found to be in poor

condition. Also, within their application they included hedge cutting due to the boundaries of the play area becoming very overgrown.

It was agreed that the project is situated within the core area and meets the education and sustainability needs of the fund. It was decided to award £7,000 towards the remaining cost of the repairs and replacement of the wooden equipment as the parish council had already committed £1,515.03 towards the project. It was reflected by members that other funding avenues could have been explored for the hedge cutting and Cllr Bridget Petty proposed for the local council member to contact her for advice for cutting the hedges.

Resolved: A grant of £7,000 is approved by the committee.

Winford Community Shop Ltd

This project requested funding to improve the quality and quantity of refrigerated display space in their shop by replacing obsolete and inefficient refrigerated display units. They were seeking funding to purchase two new more energy efficient units.

The project is situated within the core area and meets the sustainability criteria of the fund. The committee was in full support of this project and were happy to grant £7523.50 towards the more energy efficient refrigerated models.

Resolved: A grant of £7,523.50 is approved by the committee.

Winford Parish Council

The parish council were seeking funding towards the cost of temporary signage at Church Trees car park in Felton to warn taxis and other commercial vehicles that the area is not for airport waiting.

It was agreed that the project is within the core area and meets the transport and sustainability criteria of the fund. The committee decided that as waiting taxis and commercial vehicles were a result of the impact of the airport the total cost of £672 would be split between the Local Community Fund (£300) and Bristol Airport (£372).

Resolved: A grant of £300 is approved by the committee.

6. Noise Overview

James Shearman informed the committee by a note stating there were no noise updates.

7. Date of the next meetings in 2021

It was agreed by the committee that the quarterly meetings for 2021 will continue to be held in the first week of March, June, September and December.