

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

Management Committee

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> September 2023 14:30 – 16:00

Minutes of the meeting

Present:

David Hall	Chairman
Richard Kent	North Somerset Council
Cllr Wendy Griggs	North Somerset Council
Cllr Steve Bridger	North Somerset Council
Cllr Bridget Petty	North Somerset Council
Jacqui Mills	Bristol Airport
Harry Ellis	Bristol Airport
Matthew Sharp	Bristol Airport
Whitney Love	Bristol Airport

**1. Apologies:**

Apologies received from Cllr Steve Hogg.

**2. Update of monies committed in 2023:**

An updated total was provided to the committee members.

**3. Correspondence:**

Since the previous meeting we have received two letters of gratitude from previous successful organisations:

- Wonderland in Filton, which is a Montessori inspired pop-up play area for pre-school children and parents/ guardians, were awarded £3,000 in March 2023 for various toys and activities for toddlers in the local area. The Project Leader has said that the toys and activities have allowed children to develop their social skills. The classes have also provided

parents and carers vital support and they would like to thank the Local Community Fund for the kind donation.

- Cleeve Parish Council sent a kind letter of gratitude to the members of the Local Community Fund and to say a big thank you for the grant towards the fencing and improvements to the Goblin Coombe Car Park as the new layout has prevented anti-social parking.

#### **4. Applications for funding:**

##### **King George's Field, Cleeve**

This project requested £10,000 towards installing solar panels on the roof of the main pavilion/ building on the King George's Field in Cleeve.

The project is situated within the core area and meets the sustainability criteria of the fund. The committee supported this project and were happy to grant £10,000 towards the project.

**Resolved: A grant of £10,000 is approved by the committee.**

##### **Holly Hedge Animal Sanctuary**

Holly Hedge Animal Sanctuary requested £6,500 towards installing a solar thermal system for their laundry building.

Whilst this project is situated within the core area of the fund, the Committee Members agreed not to support this project after this organisation recently received funding within the past 24 months and is therefore not eligible for funding due to the T's and C's of the Community Fund.

**Resolved: A grant will not be awarded to this group.**

### **Brockley Parish Council**

This project requested £600 of funding towards several road improvements for the village of Brockley.

The project is situated within the core area and meets the on-going improvement of transport infrastructure. The committee were happy to fully support this project on the basis that the organisation would still require the grant after the recent news of the future road improvements to Brockley Lane and to the A370 junction starting on Tuesday 2nd October. The Project Leader confirmed that they would still need the grant and, therefore, £600 would be granted towards this project.

**Resolved: A grant of £600 is approved by the committee.**

### **Bristol Avon Rivers Trust**

This project requested £2,000 towards funding to continue its delivery of its flagship Citizen Science project, the Bristol Avon RiverBlitz.

The project is situated within the core area and meets the sustainability criteria of the fund. The committee supported this project and were happy to grant £2,000 towards the project. The Committee Members also mentioned that they were keen to support this project on the basis that one or two of the educational programmes are within the parishes of the core area of support. A response from the Project Leader replied and agreed that this would happen.

**Resolved: A grant of £2,000 is approved by the committee.**

### **BS3 Jammin'**

This project requested £1,500 towards purchasing a list of items to hold its first community harvest event in Southville, Bristol.

This project was not supported by the committee members as it's situated outside of the core area of the Fund.

**Resolved: A grant will not be awarded to this group.**

## **6. Noise Overview**

Whitey Love, Sustainability Officer, informed the committee members on the applications received for the 2023 Noise Insulation Grant programme. The comments and results were presented to the committee members. They are as follows:

- During the Local Community Fund meeting in March, it was agreed that a budget of £85,000 will be authorised for the Noise Insulation Scheme (NIS).
- The NIS closed to applications on 1<sup>st</sup> June.

### **Applications**

- In total there were 28 applications received this year with a total cost totalling £70,337.69.
- This is within the agreed budget from March's Local Community Fund meeting and therefore all applicants will be successful for this year's NIS.
- As of the date of the Local Community Fund meeting, £ 25,445.14 has been paid so far this year on the Noise Insulation Scheme projects.

## **7. Any other business**

N/A

## **8. Date of the next meetings in 2023**

It was agreed by all the committee members for the next meeting to be held on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December.