

EAST HERTS COUNCIL

OPENNESS OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT BODIES REGULATIONS

2014

OFFICER DECISION WRITTEN RECORD

Reference:	OD/(to be added by Democratic Services)
Subject Matter:	UK Shared Prosperity Fund (UKSPF) grant to Community Alliance
Date of Decision:	25 th March 2024
Exempt/Confidential information (Yes/No):	No
If Exempt/Confidential – reason why:	n/a
Name of Officer taking decision under delegated authority:	Jonathan Geall, Head of Housing and Health
Source of delegated authority (constitution/express delegation/etc):	At its meeting of 18th January 2023, Council approved the use of UKSPF funds to fund cultural activities grants. An allocation of up to £100,000 was subsequently

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	<p>set aside for development of a Arts Showcase.</p> <p>At the same meeting, Council delegated decision-making on all cultural activities grants and contracts to the Head of Housing and Health acting in consultation with the Executive Member for Communities.</p>
<p>Exercise of delegated authority approved by:</p> <p><i>(if different from Officer taking decision)</i></p>	n/a
Decision:	<p>Make a grant of £10,000 to Community Alliance Broxbourne and East Herts to provide community group development in connection with the Arts in East Herts showcase.</p>
Reason(s) for Decision:	<p>The aspiration is that the Arts in East Herts showcase becomes a self-funded annual event after the UKSPF-funded event in 2024/25. To this end, it has been identified that a group of individuals from cultural organisations and/or with particular expertise and interests regarding arts events be established to become the organisers of future events.</p>

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	Support, guidance and training to establish such as group is essential and Community Alliance have been identified to having the necessary skills, connections and background to carry out this work.

Details of alternative options, if any considered and rejected:	<p>Not fund any group establishment and development work. NOT RECOMMENDED because there is a significant risk that without such support, a group will not be formed, thus jeopardising the chances of the Arts in East Herts showcase progressing beyond one year.</p> <p>Not fund Community Alliance to carry out this work. NOT RECOMMENDED as Community Alliance are locally based and have a track record in providing the exact group development and training expertise required.</p>
Name of Officer who has confirmed with all Members involved in taking this decision whether they have pecuniary or non-pecuniary interest:	Jonathan Geall, Head of Housing and Health

Name(s) of any Member who has removed himself/herself from contributing to this decision because of a conflict of interest:	n/a
Signature of Decision Maker (where decision is taken in consultation with a Member):	REDACTED
Signature of Member consulted by Decision Maker (where decision is taken in consultation with a Member):	Alex Daar, Executive Member for Communities consulted on 23 rd February 2024.

SIGNATURES TO BE REDACTED