

**EAST HERTS COUNCIL**

**OPENNESS OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT BODIES REGULATIONS 2014**

**OFFICER DECISION WRITTEN RECORD**

Reference:	OD/(to be added by Democratic Services)
Subject Matter:	Award of UKSPF-funded carbon reduction grants 2024/25
Date of Decision:	18 <sup>th</sup> October 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 18 <sup>th</sup> January 2023, Council approved the use of UKSPF funds to establish a community chest for hyperlocal environmental sustainability projects. At the same meeting, Council delegated decision-making on all environmental grants and contracts to the Head of Housing and Health acting in consultation with the Executive Member for Environmental Sustainability.
Exercise of delegated authority approved by:  <i>(if different from Officer taking decision)</i>	n/a
Decision:	Fund the eighteen applications which met the eligibility and assessment criteria. The grant recipients and amounts are as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* Bishop’s Stortford Community Centres - £3,000 – Air Pump Heating System</li> <li>* Bishop’s Stortford Town Council - £3,000 – Bike Racks</li> <li>* Burnham Green Village Hall Trust - £2,500 – Smart Heating Controls</li> <li>* Hertford Heath Village Hall Committee - £2,958 – Replacement Doors</li> <li>* Hunsdon Village Hall - £3,000 – Insulation and LEDs</li> <li>* Little Munden Cricket Club - £3,000 – Electric Mower</li> <li>* Sawbridgeworth Cricket Club - £2,995 – Solar Panels</li> </ul>

	<p>* Sawbridgeworth Memorial Hall - £2,850 – Door and Bike Racks</p> <p>* The Company of Players - £2,592 – Retrofit Survey</p> <p>* Ware Town Council – eight grants for separate projects of a) £2,000 for EV Charging Points, b) £1,500 for Biodiversity Days c) £1,000 for Priory Air Curtain d) £3,000 for Priory TRVs e) £3,000 for Priory Services Schematic f) £1,500 for Thermal Imaging Cameras g) £3,000 for Walking To School Shows h) £3,000 for Fletchers Lea Heat Pump</p> <p>* Widford Village Hall Management Committee - £2,991 – Upgrade to LEDs</p>
Reason(s) for Decision:	Applications it is proposed to fund were eligible, assessed within the approved policy and will clearly contribute to the UKSPF outputs on which the council is required to report to government.

Details of alternative options, if any considered and rejected:	Not fund all or some of the applications received. NOT RECOMMENDED because the applications it is proposed to fund are eligible, assessed within the approved policy and will clearly contribute to the UKSPF outputs on which the council is required to report to the government.
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):	Confirmation of consultation and support received by email from Cllr Tim Hoskin on 19 <sup>th</sup> October 2024. Copy of email retained by Jonathan Geall

**SIGNATURES TO BE REDACTED.**