

Report to: **Executive**

Date: **9 March 2017**

Title: **Community Re-investment Projects Fund 2016/17
Grant Allocation**

Portfolio Area: **Customer First**

Wards Affected: **Salcombe, Modbury, Stokenham, West Alvington,
Newton & Noss, Yealmpton, Stoke Fleming**

Relevant Scrutiny Committee:

Urgent Decision: **N** Approval and clearance obtained: **Y**

Date next steps can be taken:
(e.g. referral on of recommendation or implementation of
substantive decision)

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Recommendations:

The Executive resolves to approve eight grant applications totalling £153,900 from the 2016/17 Community Re-Investment Project Fund.

1. Executive summary

Fifteen applications totalling £302,453 were received to the Community Re-Investment Project Fund in 2016/17. The available approved total budget is £153,900 (comprising part of the New Homes Bonus funding). A summary of applications, the officer assessment and recommendations are available in Appendix 1.

2. Background

The Community Re-investment Projects Fund was launched in October 2013, using £153,900 of the New Homes Bonus funding received by the Council to support community infrastructure projects in communities where major development has or is taking place.

The annual deadline for receipt of applications to the fund was 9th January 2017. Fifteen applications were received, all of which were considered by officers to be eligible under the criteria of the Fund (which are available in Appendix 2 for information).

3. Outcomes/outputs

Members are requested to note the summary of applications, the officer summary and recommendations in Appendix 1.

4. Proposed Way Forward

Appendix 1 provides a summary of the fifteen grant applications, including the officers' assessments of each in terms of community need, community support, how the project provides or improves community infrastructure, deliverability, value for money and lasting impact. Decisions on grants of £10,000 and over need to be made by the Executive as per the approved criteria for the Fund. It is recommended that eight projects are supported based on the officer assessment and recommendations in Appendix 1, and these are listed in the table below:

Applicant	Project	Recommendation
Stoke Fleming PC	Surfacing replacement	£7,250
Stokenham PC	Footpath drainage	£8,500
Stokenham PC	Memorial Hall new roof	£39,475
Yealmpton PC	Footpath improvements	£5,000
Champernowne Play Park Steering Group	New play park	£30,000
Newton and Noss PC	Play park improvement	£16,980
Salcombe TC	New street lighting	£20,000
West Alvington Village Hall Committee	Village hall improvements	£26,695
TOTAL		£153,900

6. Implications

Implications	Relevant to proposals Y/N	Details and proposed measures to address
Legal/Governance		There are no legal implications arising from this report as South Hams District Council accepts no liability for projects

		beyond the provision of Community Re-investment Projects Fund grants. The Council has powers to give these grants in order to support its priorities through the Localism Act's Powers of General Competence.
Financial		This report seeks Executive Committee approval to allocate eight grants totalling £153,900.
Risk		Grants are paid in arrears of receipt of proof of expenditure. Grant offers are subject to a number of conditions which limit the potential risk to the Council.
Comprehensive Impact Assessment Implications		
Equality and Diversity		Grants support funding to a wide range of community groups, therefore promoting equal opportunities.
Safeguarding		None directly arising from this report
Community Safety, Crime and Disorder		None directly arising from this report
Health, Safety and Wellbeing		Grants contribute to supporting the social wellbeing of South Hams communities.
Other implications		None directly arising from this report

Supporting Information

Appendices:

Appendix 1 – Community Re-investment Projects Fund 2016/17
Summary of Applications and Assessments

Appendix 2 – Community Re-investment Projects Fund Guidance Notes

Process checklist	Completed
Portfolio Holder briefed	Yes/No
SLT Rep briefed	Yes/No
Relevant Exec Director sign off (draft)	Yes/No
Data protection issues considered	Yes/No
If exempt information, public (part 1) report also drafted. (Committee/Scrutiny)	Yes/No

