

Background Paper

1. Terms of reference:

To consider a new policy to include different categories

- A: Grant funding/or new community organisations /seeking seed funding
- B: Delivering Services on behalf of the Council

Look at offering a longer-term option than 1 year for organisations that deliver services on behalf of the Council.

Introduce a clear points based system, which looks at fulfilling the local needs and priorities outlined in the Councils Annual Plan, with all grant funded groups being:

- Fully compliant i.e. safeguarding, public liability, has all statutory policies,
- Organisational stability
- Fundraising policies and successes
- Marketing and publicity
- Benefits to the community
- Partnership Working
- Future planning (how sustainable are they as an organisation)
- How do they value the services that the organisation provides.
- Look at options around how any matched funding can be used to enable the organisation to deliver service, consider introducing a maximum number of years that funding will be available i.e. grant funded = 3 years.
- Look at capturing information on all funds that are provided to the not for profit sector, that includes Community Safety Board, and High Sheriff award, amongst others that gives elected members some improved context around the overall level of funding being provided.
- Look at providing sign posting to crowd funding advice and guidance to those who receive funding and or encourage joining the Surrey Heath Community Lottery.