

REPORT TO FINANCE COMMITTEE

STABLE MINDS LARGE GRANT APPLICATION

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1.0 BACKGROUND

The council's grants policy distinguishes between small grants (which are considered three times per year by the Community Committee and awards of up to £1,500) and large grants, which provides funding of over £1,500. Large grant applications are considered once per year and if successful the awards are factored into the council's budget and paid at the commencement of the new financial year (1st April). One application has been received for consideration.

2.0 OVERVIEW OF APPLICATION

An application for £4,909.54 has been received from Stable Minds CIC.

The application is to fund the creation of a sensory tent which would be used at community events in Knutsford and is aimed at providing a safe and calming environment for individuals who find public settings overwhelming.

The grant would fund the purchase of a number of items including a gazebo, soft play matting, toys and activities.

The full application is provided and members have been provided with the organisations accounts.

3.0 DECISION REQUIRED

The committee should consider the application and make a decision which would ordinarily be to award a grant in full, award a partial grant or refuse a grant.

A decision on a large grant application is not finalised until Full Council approves the budget in January.