



REPORT FOR DECISION

Item No:- FC23/078

Committee:-	Finance and Governance Committee
Date:-	28 th February 2024
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Report Title:-	Review of Town Lottery Priorities
Wards Affected:-	All

1. Purpose of Report

To identify the good cause that the Town Lottery Monies will be devoted to in 2024/5

2. Recommendations

Members' views on the preferred good cause, the timing of a single award and whether to consult on a short list of good causes are requested.

3. Information

- 3.1. The committee at its last meeting agreed to revise its policy on making town lottery awards and in future, invite proposals from the community for one substantial award to be made each year, for an agreed good cause.
- 3.2. This report seeks to identify what the good cause for 24/5 will be and when to make that award
- 3.3. The constitution for the lottery says that proceeds from it can be used for any of the following causes
 - The **health and wellbeing** of residents of Kettering, including sports and activity provision, physical and health services and play facilities
 - **Housing** standards, homelessness services and improving access to housing in the parish of Kettering,
 - **Cultural** opportunities and development
 - Measures which improve the **safety and security** of residents of Kettering

- Measures which improve access to **services for vulnerable people, care service provision and**
- Providing **advice and information** services for residents of Kettering including debt advice
- Measures which assist residents of Kettering to develop their full potential, **develop skills and secure employment**
- Measures which improve **sustainable lifestyles** and which improve biodiversity and tackle climate change

3.4. In the first 18 months of the lottery, the three headings applied, round by round were

- o Housing advice and homelessness – one award
- o Environment and sustainability – two awards
- o Health and wellbeing – three awards

3.5. Members are asked which good cause they would like to support in 24/5

3.6. In terms of the timing of an award (and therefore the period for applications before that) the best option would appear to be late autumn in each year. This would enable the lottery to have accumulated a large enough sum to make the award significant enough to attract bids. Assuming the current rate of supporters is maintained, by 1ST November 2024, there should be £4000 in the fund. Leaving a decision until late February 2025 would mean there was about £5000 available. (Note the current rate of accumulation works out at about £4000 a year).

4. Consultation and Engagement

No consultation has taken place. Members are asked if and how they would wish to consult on their preferred choice. Consultation should include those people who are currently supporters of the lottery. It might be appropriate to ask consultees to select from a short list of good causes.

5. Finance, Legal and Resource Implications

The Town Lottery funds are kept separately from those of the Town Council.

6. Climate change implications

This will depend on the choices made about a preferred good cause.

7. Policy Implications

The Council's policy is make best use of its resources.

Background Papers

Report to and minutes of F&G Cttee 24th Jan 2024
KTC Town Lottery Constitution

