NEWBIGGIN-BY-THE-SEA TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting of the Grant Committee held on Wednesday 14 May 2014 at 8.45 pm at the St Bartholomew's Church Centre Newbiggin by-the-Sea

PRESENT: Councillors: L Burns (Chairperson)

M Boon W Rogers

Officer: D Earl – Town Clerk

GC01/14 ELECTION OF CHAIRPERSON

RESOLVED that Councillor L Burns be elected Chairperson

GC02/14 MINUTES

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 31 March 2014 were confirmed and signed by the Chairperson.

GC03/14 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED: That under Section 100A (4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following items on the Agenda as they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraphs 1 and 3 of Part I of Schedule 12A of the 1972 Act relating to personal financial and business affairs.

GC04/14 APPLICATIONS FOR GRANT

Two previously deferred applications and three new ones were tabled for consideration by the Committee in accordance with the grants criteria.

The Committee considered the merits of the respective applications and additional information relating to the benefits to local residents of contributions towards dance examinations for children; the costs of providing IT confidence training sessions at the Church Centre; counselling for patients and carers; Community Action advice to community groups; repairing vandalised fencing at the entrance to allotment sites.

Councillor Boon declared a prejudicial interest in relation to application 14/03 as Secretary of the Allotment Association and withdrew from consideration of the application.

RESOLVED that:

(i) A grant of £300 be awarded to Simonside Dance Academy for application 13/21 towards examination sessions for local children:

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- (ii) A grant of £300 be awarded to St Bartholomew's Church for application 13/27 towards IT confidence training session costs;
- (iii) A grant of £280 be awarded to Central Palz for application 14/01towards the provision of counselling for patients and carers;
- (iv) A grant of £50 be awarded to Community Action Northumberland for application 14/02 towards the provision of advice for community groups;
- (v) A grant of £300 be awarded to Newbiggin District Allotment Association for application 14/03 towards the repair of vandalised fencing.

Signed by the Chairperson:	Date: