

RIBBLE VALLEY BOROUGH COUNCIL REPORT TO POLICY AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

Agenda Item No.

meeting date: 27 MARCH 2012
title: REQUESTS FOR GRANT AID
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1 PURPOSE

- 1.1 To consider two requests we have received for financial support.

2 BACKGROUND

- 2.1 The year 2012 looks set to be a year of celebration with a number of events being held both locally and nationally to celebrate the Queen's Diamond Jubilee, the Olympics, the 400th anniversary of the Pendle Witches Trials and a host of other events.

3 REQUESTS FOR GRANT AID

- 3.1 We have received two requests for grant aid, these are set out below:-

3.2 Queen's Diamond Jubilee – Lancashire County Council £2,000

To celebrate the Queen's Diamond Jubilee the County Council and the Lieutenancy will be staging a number of events including a Lancashire Service of Thanksgiving to be held in Blackburn Cathedral on Sunday 13 May 2012.

They have requested a sum of £2,000 from each district as a contribution towards the cost of staging these events.

3.3 Clitheroe Torchlight Committee - £2,000

On the weekend of 24-25 August 2012 a number of events will be taking place in Clitheroe. The centrepiece of these celebrations will be the Torchlight Procession and firework display. The estimated cost of staging the Torchlight is in the region of £20,000 and whilst Clitheroe Town Council have agreed to fund the majority of these costs, the Torchlight Committee have requested a similar level of financial support from this Council as given previously. The Council gave a grant of £2,000 towards the costs.

4 RISK ASSESSMENT

- 4.1 Resources: the cost of these grants could be met from savings in the current years concurrent functions grant budget.

Technical, Environmental & Legal: N/A

Political: N/A

Reputation: N/A

5 RECOMMENDED THAT COMMITTEE

- 5.1 Agree to the requests for grand aid from Lancashire County and the Clitheroe Torchlight Committee.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE