STRATEGIC POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE



Subje	ect:	Request for Funding						
Date:		24 th October 2025						
Repo	orting Officer:	Trevor Wallace, Director of Finance						
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Restricted Reports								
Is this	s report restricted?		Yes		No	Х		
Please indicate the description, as listed in Schedule 6, of the exempt information by virtue of which the council has deemed this report restricted.								
Insert number								
	Information relating to any individual							
	Information likely to reveal the identity of an individual							
	3. Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the							
	council holding that information)							
4.	4. Information in connection with any labour relations matter							
	5. Information in relation to which a claim to legal professional privilege could be maintained							
	6. Information showing that the council proposes to (a) to give a notice imposing restrictions on a							
	person; or (b) to make an order or direction							
7.	7. Information on any action in relation to the prevention, investigation or prosecution of crime							
If Yes, when will the report become unrestricted?								
	After Commit	tee Decision						
	After Council	Decision						
Sometime in the future								
Never								
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Call-i	n							
Is the decision eligible for Call-in?					No			
1.0	Purpose of Repor	or Summary of main Issues						
1.1		ee to consider two requests for funding.						
	1. a request fr	om Greater Shankill Partnership for funding of	approx	imatel	/ £17	.000 to		
	_	Greater Shankill Winter Festival	1 1- 1- 27			,		

	2. a request from Cancer Lifeline to provide funding of £16,920 to support the provision				
	of critical community-based counselling services for people affected by cancer.				
2.0	Recommendations				
2.1	The Committee is recommended to consider the attached requests.				
3.0	Main Report				
3.1	The Chief Executive has two requests for funding.				
3.2	Members are reminded that there is no established budget for these requests however, an amount of £354k is available in the Discretionary Funding Reserve for this year.				
3.3	The first request is for Greater Shankill Partnerships Greater Shankill Winter Festival. Unfortunately, the Partnership was unable to secure funding from NIHE for this annual event and is seeking funding from the council of £17,000. The request is included at Appendix 1.				
3.4	The second request is from Cancer Lifeline to fund the shortfall in counselling service delivery costs up to the end of the financial year. The amount requested is for £16,920 to deliver 564 sessions of counselling up to March 2026. The request with more information is included in Appendix 2.				
3.5	The Committee is asked to consider the requests.				
3.6	Financial & Resource Implications The requests fall under the Council's discretionary expenditure policy and be funded from the existing reserve.				
	Equality or Good Relations Implications / Rural Needs Assessment				
3.7	None.				
4.0	Appendices – Documents Attached				
	Appendix 1 – Email from Greater Shankill Partnership				
	Appendix 2 – Letter from Cancer Lifeline				