

2. Report

TTVS is a registered charity that provides voluntary and community support across Torridge.

For the last five years Torridge has given TTVS an unrestricted grant of £16,900. Since that point, due to budget constraints TTVS have approached Torridge asking for further support to cover a budgetary gap that they are currently experiencing, to ensure that TTVS can continue undertaking its work. TTVS have explained that they may be unable to continue without the further support.

The full details of the work that TTV do and the funding needed are attached to this report. This also includes things that TTVS have done to mitigate their current shortfall together with details of their current funders

Risk Management

Guaranteeing an annual grant ahead of the council agreeing its own budget is advised against

Compliance with Policies and Strategies

NA

Data Protection (GDPR) Implications

NA

Climate Change

N/A

4. CONCLUSIONS

TTVS are requesting one off support of £33,000 in addition to the grant of £16,900 that has already been paid to them this financial year. The additional request of £33,000 has not been budgeted for.

In addition TTVS are requesting annual support of £42,179.00 from April 2026.

Guaranteeing an annual grant of £42,179.00 would not be advisable as Torridge has an annual budget setting process. Agreeing to grants ahead of that process and in advance of knowing the council's financial situation could place the council in a difficult position. If members are agreeable to providing a grant of £42,179 it would be recommended that this be for the year 26/27 only, and any future grants are decided during the Council's annual budget setting process.

5. RECOMMENDATIONS

Members decide whether or not to refer the matter to the Member Budget Working Group to decide whether to recommend to. :-

- a) Provide a one off payment of £33,000 and;
- b) A grant of £42,179 for 26/27.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Email from Beki at TTVS together with supporting information provided

Consultations: SMT



