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Item 14 - HCC Small Grants Scheme report - extra meeting held on 3rd December 2013

There were 5 new applications for £15,250, and 4 applications which were deferred from the October meeting with a total request for £19,183.

There were no applications from the NFAF area.

£46,500 has been awarded this year, with a possible further £3,500 for a project in Havant subject to certain conditions being met.

SGS has been granted funding of £49,000 for the year 2014-2015

'The Small Grants Scheme website will be updated shortly as part of wider changes to the Countryside Service website. The content has therefore been updated and is largely based on the information provided in the 'SGS - guidance 2014' document. This includes some proposed changes to the scheme, namely formal recognition for work completed by the landowner as an in-kind contribution, as there have been a couple of instances this year where this has been applied. Formal recognition of this will hopefully encourage more Parish Council's to engage landowners in projects and for more landowners to apply in their own right.' Info from Amanda Hull

Gilly Hayball will be the representative from the NPA on the committee.

Joan Cundill February 2014

Overleaf is a table showing all the SGS grants given this year.

Applicant	Project Description	Grant Offered (£)	Total Project Cost (£)
SMALL GRANTS SC		*provisional	
Amport PC	Surface improvements to bridges over Pilhill Brook (restricted byway 7) which is used as a route to school avoiding the busy road through the village.	990.00	1,980.00*
Binsted PC	Resurfacing of sections of paths within Alice Holt Arboretum, currently boggy, to allow year round access between the Shipwrights Way and an all ability path.	1,876.00	3,752.00*
Bishop's Waltham PC	Refresh map and text and reprint the 'Exploring Bishop's Waltham' leaflet first produced in 2009.	285.00	570.00*
Brockenhurst PC	Resurfacing and vegetation clearance on a section of footpath 501 to improve access to the village and school from a residential area.	1,175.00	2,350.00*
Burghclere PC	Replacing two stiles on footpath 14 with gates to allow greater access to the path.	256.13	512.25*
Buriton PC	Installation of a boardwalk to allow disabled access to the top part of the Chalk Pits site where a pond is being restored; installation of a bench. This site is located at the junction of the South Downs Way, Hangers Way and Shipwrights Way.	750.00	1,500.00*
Bursledon PC	Installation of a mapboard at 'The View Point', showing paths in the area and local information.	287.50	575.00*
	Drainage and surface improvements to footpath 7, a popular route to school and link to local amenities. Due to the poor drainage and muddy surface it was previously difficult to use following wet weather.	1,485.00	2,970.00*
Charlton PCC/Clanfield PC	Extended fence line and new self-closing gate to be installed on footpath 14 through the Churchyard, which forms part of the Staunton Way.	314.00	628.00*
Chilbolton PC	Continuation of project from 2011 & 2012 to resurface a section of the Test Way (footpath 2) and replace the gate to make it more accessible. Work completed by volunteers from Sparsholt College.	702.85	2,000.00*
	Installation of a mapboard showing countryside access in the Parish.	335.00	670.00*
	Improve signage and minor surface improvements on footpath 2.	800.00	1,668.75*
Ellisfield PC	Replacing two stiles with gates on footpath 7 to create a stile free route. Work completed by parish volunteers.	752.00	1,400.00*
Eversley PC	Ditching and clearance on Village Green and Common Land to improve public access and assist future management.	2,050.00	7,600.00*
Fair Oak and Horton Heath PC	'Exploring' leaflet and 13 mapboards to show countryside access and local information.	2,500.00	10,000.00*
Fawley PC	Surface improvements to countryside site, 'The Manor', to improve access for all. Work completed by volunteers, with support from parish council staff.	700.00	1,400.00*
	Vegetation clearance to reinstate bridleway 39 to a width suitable for all users.	325.00	650.00*
Fleet TC	Surface improvements to paths in Basingbourne Park and Woods, popular for recreation and as a route to school.	2,000.00	10,000.00*
Forestry Commission	Upgrade 60m of path to link to paths recently improved in Havant Thicket (linking to Staunton Country Park).	2,000.00	4,000.00*
Froyle PC	Installation of a double sided mapboard – one side	350.00	2,568.00*

	showing countryside access, the other to replace the existing Millennium Map.		
Greywell PC	Replace 150m of boardwalk on footpath 3 to compliment the improvements completed in 2010 and ensure the full length of the footpath is accessible throughout the year.	7,000.00	16,500.00*
Hampshire & loW Wildlife Trust	Replacement of 60m section of boardwalk on footpath 12 (Test Way) to allow year round access. This section of the path suffered from heavy flooding throughout the year and was often impassable.	4,160.50	8,321.00*
Havant BC	Create an off-road multi-user route along a section of the Hayling Billy Trail, to avoid the busy main road bridge.	5,000.00	98,000.00*
	Clearance to reinstate path width and surface improvements to footpath 506b. To link with wider HLF funded Hermitage Stream project.	3,500.00	10,823.75*
Hound PC	Improve surface of permissive path through Priors Hill Copse, which previously became boggy in wet weather.	370.00	740.00*
Kingsclere PC	Replace gate on footpath 84 to enable improved access for users with limited mobility, wheelchair users, pushchairs etc.	202.00	404.00*
Long Sutton PC	Installation of a mapboard showing countryside access in the Parish.	350.00	1,090.00*
Minstead PC/ Landowner	Drainage and surfacing works to footpath 5. The area was often waterlogged making it muddy or impassable for users. It is a popular route serving as a link to and from the village, avoiding the main road.	1,230.00	4,906.25*
Monk Sherborne PC	Installation of 3 kissing gates to replace stiles on this popular footpath at the request of local residents.	390.00	792.00*
Oakley and Deane PC	Replacing two stiles with gates on footpath 3 to improve access for users.	500.00	1,000.00*
Old Alresford PC	Replacing a stile with a gate on footpath 7 to improve access for users.	292.50	585.00*
Old Alresford - landowner	Surface improvements to Old Alresford restricted byway 27 (Oxdrove Way), previously overgrown and rutted. Work completed by landowner and contractor.	2,340.00	4,680.00*
Sopley PC	Replace 14 stiles with gates on footpaths 8, 14, 17, 25, 29, 30, to allow greater access for all. This is a continuation of the programme funded in 2011.	1,562.50	3,125.00*
Sparsholt PC	Resurfacing of sections of restricted byway 14, previously in poor condition. Work to be completed by volunteers.	678.13	1,356.25*
Stockbridge PC	Surface improvements to footpath 5 to allow improved access to Stockbridge Common via the High Street.	635.50	1,271.00*
	Installation of two mapboards showing countryside access in the Parish.	700.00	1,524.00*
West End PC	Installation of gates on Hatch Grange SINC to accommodate safe use of the area upon the introduction of cattle grazing.	200.00	700.00*
West Meon PC	Installation of mapboard showing countryside access in the Parish.	350.00	1,500.00*
	TOTAL (£)	49,394.61	214,112.25