Okehampton Town Council
Policy and Resources Committee 18th May 2026
Meeting Report

Date:	13th May 2026
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3. <u>Grant Policy</u> – To resolve to approve amendments to the grant policy due to the large number of applications received

Following a review of the applications received for a grant from the council by the 2025/26 and 2026/27 Committee Chairman and Vice-Chairmen the Committee ae requested to consider approval of temporary amendments to the policy.

These amendments have been requested because of the large number of applications received and the number that would, under the policy be required to provide a presentation.

The Policy states that all applicants for grants between £400 up to the maximum of £5,000 will be considered at a meeting of the committee in June, with those for £3,000 and over being required to make a 10 minute presentation. 9 applications fall into the category of having to make a presentation which would take approximately an hour and a half, in addition to consideration of the other 13 applications received.

It is recommended that the Committee resolves to temporarily suspend the requirement for presentations and that instead these applicants are invited to attend the meeting to answer any questions that may arise

Suspension of Standing Orders to enable members of the public to speak and questions to be answered during this part of the meeting only will form part of the meeting agenda.