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### **COMMUNITY BENEFITS FROM GODALMING TOWN COUNCIL'S GRANTS FUNDING**

Godalming Town Council's latest round of grant funding was approved at the Policy & Management Committee meeting held on the 17 October. Councillors approved grants from the Council Community and General Grant Funds to assist community organisations whose work benefits the residents of the town.

From the Council Community Grant Fund, £500 was awarded to assist with the initial set up costs of the Surrey Hills to South Downs Community Rail Partnership (CRP). The CRP is a growing movement delivering a range of activities that bring people together and help communities to get the most from their railways. The Council also granted £500 to the Rotary Kids Out charity to assist with running a free day out for local disadvantaged children in line with the Rotary International's Kids Out Day. A further £500 was awarded to assist community volunteers with On-Street Engagement in Farncombe. The grant will assist the Trinity Trust Team to provide volunteers with equipment including high-viz vests, torches, first aid kits, litter picking kit, water bottles etc. and suitable backpacks to carry equipment whilst working in the community.

From the Town Council's General Grant Fund, the 2<sup>nd</sup> Godalming Scout Group was awarded £2,570 to assist with the set up costs for a new Scout Troop and Godalming Baptist Church received £1,500 to assist with the purchase of washable replacement flooring in their Activities Room. This will allow groups including mother and baby groups using the facility to continue to do so in a safe and hygienic environment. Loseley Fields Primary School will also benefit from a grant of £4,000 to support the provision of outdoor education facilities at the school not only for the pupils but also community groups and local charities.

Further Grant Aid in Kind for the use of Town Council's facilities providing community benefit was awarded to the Godalming Film Society and Godalming Dementia Action Alliance in order for them to offer more relaxed screenings for those who find normal cinema going experiences challenging.

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