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Applicant: Menheniot Parochial Church Council
Amount applied for: £2000.00
<b>Purpose:</b> (Section B1.0) In light of Health and Safety issues and the fact that most of the clockwinders are finding it increasingly difficult to undertake the task, we wish to install an automatic clock winding mechanism. This will ensure the clock continues to work, rather than remaining at one fixed time.
ASSESSMENT
Overview & what benefits to the community (Section B1.9)
<ol> <li>Residents of the village/wider community who will have a permanently functioning village clock to help them with timekeeping. The clock is also an ever-present feature for those villagers attending baptisms, weddings, funerals and Remembrance Day services.</li> </ol>
<ol> <li>Visitors to the village who will benefit in a similar way to the first group, but also because a non-functioning clock would spoil the attraction of the village. This is especially applicable, given the clock's central location and its proximity to the village 'green', another important feature of the village.</li> </ol>
<ol> <li>Those interested in local history/heritage. Heritage is so often regarded as crucial – the loss of a functioning village clock would undoubtedly have a very negative impact upon heritage.</li> </ol>
4. The clockwinding team – for most of the team, the regular task of climbing the tower is becoming increasingly strenuous and challenging; indeed soon there may not be a team to undertake the task which inevitably means that the clock will stop, to the detriment of the whole community.
Other funding from their own resources and alternative sources. (Section C1.1-1.3)
The total cost of the project is £4,310, and the PCC has not yet raised any additional funding themselves, but has pledged to contribute £2,134 if the parish council makes a £2,000 contribution. The PC contribution would amount to 46% of the projects cost.
If they receives less than the money applied for, they will run extra fundraising events.
Numbers benefitting (Section B1.7)
The applicant states that all residents and visitors into the village will benefit.
Other resources (eg volunteering) (Section C1.4)
Volunteers will assist with the installation.
Priorities as identified by the applicant, and those of the council (Section C1.1)
No priorities listed by the applicant.
<b>Notes</b> On 7 February 2017, referred the applicant to Cllr Phil Seeva's Community Chest so that he could make application there. Cornwall Council can also support applications through its Crowdfunder scheme that enables large numbers of people to make small donations.
The most recent set of audited accounts (for year ending 31 December 2017) show that the PCC showed a small surplus of £211, based on annual income of £54,310 and expenses of £54,099. In the previous, the PCC showed a deficit of £1941.
The PCC has unrestricted reserves of $\pounds$ 20,463, and has a second grant application for $\pounds$ 3,800 for consideration at the April 2018 meeting for grasscutting in the graveyard.
The Community Grant budget currently has £8922 remaining.
Recommend: £1500

Assessment date: 5/4/18