

### **1. Purpose of this Report**

To consider any Category B grants received during year.

### **2. Background**

Our [Grants Policy](#) allows for the consideration of Category B grants at the end of the fiscal year. Category B grants are defined as being from “Registered Charities with significant operations within the South Wiltshire area which are accessible to the residents of the Parish of Laverstock & Ford.”

We have received one specific qualifying application in November from South Western Ambulance Charity (detailed in Appendix 1) plus Council received two qualifying grant applications in July 2025 ([PC25.107](#)). One from Silver Salisbury for the sum of £1,875 and another from Community Transport South Wiltshire for the sum of £1,135. Council resolved, at the time, to award Silver Salisbury £1,000 and CTSW £600. Council may wish to consider awarding SW Ambulance Charity a grant and / or revisiting the grant amounts awarded to Silver Salisbury and CTSW in July 2025.

### **3. Summary**

At the end of last financial year there was £3,526.07 left in the Grants budget, and in accordance with our Reserves Policy, this was transferred to the earmarked reserve ‘Grant Reserve’ instead of being returned to the General Fund.

### **4. Recommendation**

That Council considers the following Options:

- (a) A grant of £300 to South Western Ambulance Charity under the powers to make grants provided by s.137 of the Local Government Act 1972.
- (b) A grant of £875 to Silver Salisbury under the powers to make grants provided by s.137 of the Local Government Act 1972.
- (c) A grant of £535 to Community Transport South Wiltshire under the powers to make grants for Community Transport Schemes Local Government and Rating Act 1997 s26-29.

Council to note that providing all three grants in full will leave £1,816.07 in the Grant Reserve.