

COMMITTEE: CENTRAL AREA **REF NO:** CAC/22/16

DATE: 1 MARCH 2023

SUBJECT: FUNDING REQUEST - CARIBBEAN AND
AFRICAN COMMUNITY HEALTH SUPPORT
FORUM

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Short description of report content and the decision requested:

This report requests that the Central Area Committee consider allocating £2,500 to the Caribbean and African Community Health Support Forum (CACHSF), on behalf of 'Windrush Select Committee' to hold an annual exhibition in June 2023, to bring communities together in a celebration of the Windrush Celebration 2023. Whilst associated with the Windrush Festival, this project intends to be an installation which goes beyond the day itself, expanding the reach to further build networks and community cohesion. This report will reference 'Windrush Select Committee' with acknowledgement that CACHSF will hold any funding granted and will work closely with the Windrush Select Committee to complete this project.

List of Appendices included in this report:

- a) Appendix 1 – Application Form

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This report was prepared after consultation with:

Internal consultees

External consultees

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The following policies form a context to this report:

(all relevant policies must also be referred to in the body of the report)

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1. Item of business and issues for consideration

- 1.1 To consider the application of and decide whether to agree:
- i) Option 1 - Fund the total amount requested
 - ii) Option 2 - Fund a lesser amount to the amount requested
 - iii) Option 3 - Not fund
- 1.2 The Committee will make its decision based on whether the application meets the funding criteria and the funds available to the Committee.
- 1.3 The Windrush Select Committee promotes the history, culture, and heritage of African and Caribbean people to build intergenerational links between elders and younger people. Their aim is to ensure that the contribution of the Windrush generation to Ipswich's life is researched, archived, and shared, such that the legacy is maintained throughout time.
- 1.4 The Windrush Select Committee provides a range of activities to bring communities together and promote learning and tolerance through understanding of people of different backgrounds. Activities include workshops, lectures, collaborations with schools and other partners, with the mission of ensuring all information and cultural heritage shared is open and accessible to all, no matter the person's taste or learning style. Windrush Select Committee is currently partnered with more than ten organisations, including museums, youth projects and schools, primarily in central Ipswich.
- 1.5 Windrush Select Committee is working in conjunction with Ipswich Borough Council (IBC) to put on a festival in the Town Centre to celebrate the 75th Windrush Anniversary. The proposed exhibition will run alongside this day and will continue into July and beyond, stored at The HOLD. On the day, the exhibition will comprise of panels showcasing the elders' contribution to a vast array of societal components upon which the Windrush generation has had a profound impact, such as the NHS, education, fashion and more. These panels will then be transferred to The Hold to form the exhibition. These resources will then be used in schools, museums, universities, and colleges to continue to education and widen the legacy of the project within central Ipswich - the base of the project and partnerships.
- 1.6 The exhibition will be free to attend.
- 1.7 Feedback from last year's festival indicated the success of the event and the need for a longer lasting exhibition to have a wider reach and impact within Ipswich, both for educational purposes and with respect to reducing systemic racism and hate crimes against Black people. Schools in Ipswich continue to request the educational component from the Windrush Select Committee which the exhibition and materials/resources would provide.

- 1.8 Whilst the funding for the main Windrush celebration is in process, funding for the exhibition is time-sensitive to begin the research and design components.

2. Links to Area Action Plan

- 2.1 Department of Communities and Local Government - Domains of Deprivation:

- **Education, Skills, and Training**, which is an Area Action Plan priority

- 2.2 Building a Better Ipswich underlying principles:

- **A Healthy Community**, which is an Area Action Plan priority
- **An Enjoyable Place to Live, Work and Study**

3. Financial implications

- 3.1 There is £3,845.26 remaining unallocated in the Central Area Committee's budget, which is available to fund grant applications.

Description of expenditure		Cost (£)
Keynote Speakers		150.00
Main exhibition boards		1,500.00
Materials		1,100.00
Marketing		100.00
Project coordinator – 24h at £25/hour		600.00
Refreshments		150.00
Contingency		400.00
Total project costs		£4,000
Total requested from Area Committees	North East	N/A
	North West	N/A
	Central	£2,500
	South East	N/A
	South West	N/A
	TOTAL	£2,500

- 3.2 The Windrush Select Committee are making an application to the National Windrush Fund for additional costings for the festival on the day and are being supported in-kind by IBC to cover festival costs on the day (stage, venue etc.).

4. Legal Implications

- 4.1 The Council has the power to make grants to community projects through the Area Committees. The Area Committees have delegated Executive powers and devolved budgets.
- 4.2 Area Committees have the power to award grants in accordance with part 3, section 2 of the Council's Constitution i.e., the Area Committee terms of reference.
- 4.3 CACHSF (registered Charity no. 1162607) has provided its constitution, named officers, proof of bank account, year-end accounts, and safeguarding policy, as required by the Area Committee Funding Guidelines.

5. Risks considered

Risk Description	Consequence of risk	Risk Controls	Probability of risk occurring taking account of controls (1: almost impossible - 6: very high)	Impact of risk, if it occurred taking account of actions (1: negligible - 4: catastrophic)
Safeguarding risk to children and vulnerable people	Emotional or physical harm to individual	Safeguarding system Records check on staff and volunteers	2	3
Actions to mitigate risk	Windrush Select Committee and CACHSF operates a safeguarding policy for vulnerable adults and for children. Their staff are trained, and DBS checked.			
No funding from the National Windrush Fund	The festival may not run as planned.	In kind funding and support	4	2
Actions to mitigate risk	In kind funding and significant support will be provided from Ipswich Borough Council, and committee members are attending workshops to support their application. In prior years when national funding has not been obtained, the 'on the day' festival has continued.			

Exhibition not being well attended	Public funds not being well used	Utilising pre-existing partnerships	3	2
Actions to mitigate risk	The Windrush Select Committee have extensive pre-existing partnerships with schools to use the resources. Further, The Hold is situated in a busy part of Ipswich, opposite the University and the Waterfront to encourage attendance.			

6. Options

- 6.1 Option 1 – Approve allocation of funding of £2,500 to CACHSF on behalf of Windrush Select Committee
- 6.2 Option 2 – Approve allocation of less than £2,500 as contribution to the same.
- 6.3 Option 3 – Do not fund.

7. Record of Decision taken

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8. Exemption from call in (if applicable)

I certify that this decision is urgent and therefore exempt from call-in for the following reasons:

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Signed.....

[This must be signed by the Chair of the Area Committee]