

GRANTS APPEALS PANEL

(Panel of 5 drawn from the pool of Councillors appointed to the Grants Appeals Panel*)

* Any Cabinet Member with responsibility for functions which may be reviewed by this Panel cannot be appointed to the pool of Grants Appeals members.

1. PURPOSE

To determine appeals regarding:

- Grant applications submitted by voluntary organisations.
- The receipt of discretionary business rate relief.
- The receipt of small business grants.

An appeal will not be determined by anyone involved in making the original decision.

2. RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE GRANTS APPEAL PANEL

To determine:

- Appeals by voluntary organisations in respect of grant applications received for the financial year.
- Appeals against the refusal of applications for discretionary business rate relief.
- Appeals against the refusal of applications for the small business grant scheme.

3. CABINET MEMBER ATTENDANCE

The Cabinet Members below may attend Panel meetings in an advisory and non-voting capacity for the following:

Cabinet Member for Public Protection and Community Engagement:

- Appeals by voluntary organisations relating to grant applications.
- Appeals against the refusal of discretionary rate relief applications.

Cabinet Member for Planning and Economic Development:

- Appeals against the refusal of small business grant applications.

4. DOCUMENTS RELATED TO THE GRANTS APPEALS PANEL

- Council Officer Responsibilities and Decision Making