

EXECUTIVE DECISION RECORD SHEET

Name of Portfolio Holder:	Councillor Neil Harden
Portfolio:	Residents & Regulatory Services
Date of Report:	17 November 2014
<u>Heritage Funding Levels</u>	
Recommendation made and reasons:	
1. To award Dacorum Heritage Trust a grant in line with its three year Strategic Partner Programme status of £58,000 for the 2015/16 financial year.	
Background	
<p>Dacorum Heritage Trust is currently funded through the Strategic Partner Programme, through which the trust has a current three year partner status with the Council. This status expires on 31st March 2015. Existing funding levels are £58,000 per year. In April 2014, a decision was made that saw the funding levels of the Strategic Partner Programme approved and maintained at existing levels until 31 March 2016.</p> <p>The Council is proposing to mirror this arrangement for the Dacorum Heritage Trust, which will see the current funding levels continue for 2015/2016. This decision supersedes portfolio holder decision on Heritage funding (PH/023/14).</p>	
<u>Financial Analysis</u>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Existing funding of £58,000 to be granted to Dacorum Heritage Trust for 2015/2016.	
Officers / Councillors / Ward Councillors / Stakeholders Consulted: Steven Baker, Assistant Director, Chief Executive's Department Matthew Rawdon, Group Manager People Claire Lynch, Community Partnerships Team Leader Cllr Neil Harden Ben Hosier, Group Manager Commissioning, Procurement & Compliance	
Monitoring Officer/Chief Financial Officer Comments:	
Monitoring Officer:	No further comments to add to the report.
Section 151 Officer:	No further comments to add to this report.
Implications:	
<p>Risk: failure to approve the recommendations in this report will result in a reduction in financial support of the heritage community in Dacorum. This could have a negative impact on the delivery of heritage in Dacorum. There is also a reputational consequence to the Council.</p> <p>Value for Money: Dacorum Heritage Trust is uniquely positioned to ensure Heritage plays an important part to the community and the Council ensures value for money by closely monitoring their outcomes against Council objectives.</p>	

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Options Considered and reasons for rejection:

To not fund any heritage organisations/projects: This is rejected because there will be a significant detrimental impact on the local heritage community and on local residents.

Portfolio Holders Signature:**Date:****Details of any interests declared and any dispensations given by the Standards Committee:****For Member Support Officer use only**

Date Decision Record Sheet received from portfolio holder: 16.12.14

Date Decision Published: 19.12.14 Decision No:PH-038-2014

Date of Expiry of Call-In Period:28 December 2014

Date any Call-In received or decision implemented: