

North Norfolk Big Society Fund

Voluntary and community organisations within North Norfolk may apply for Big society Fund grants to support their projects. Full information including contact details are given in the Fund's page on the District Council website: <http://bit.ly/2mMd4Zz>. It is worth making contact at an early stage to discuss your application. The officers are very happy to give help and advice with any application.

Applications received will be considered by the Big Society Fund Grant Panel on the 6th March 2017. There will be another panel sitting in June.

NNDC Budget

At our meeting on 22 February, NNDC approved the 2017/18 budget. This budget is both prudent and fair. Prudent – the budget produces a surplus which helps to maintain reserves which gives the Council greater financial reliance. Fair – NNDC Council Tax is frozen for the seventh year. This is a great help to those on fixed and perhaps limited incomes.

Commercialisation of Assets – Planning for the Future.

Last month I reported that NNDC is in a sound financial position but it must be prudent and plan for a future where available funding will be severely challenged. To this end, Cabinet approved the appointment of a consortium to advise the Council on Commercialisation of assets. As you are aware, NNDC's Overview and Scrutiny Committee have referred the initial proposals for the Beach Road site to Cabinet. This is on the agenda for the Cabinet meeting of 6 March 2017. (I realise that you will have discussed this "call-in" at item 6 in your agenda).

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