

## Agenda Item 5 (a)

### SWANAGE TOWN COUNCIL

#### Statement of Cash Balance as at 31st January 2025

	£ p	£ p
Balance in Hand at 01/04/2024		£83,812.18 Cr
As per reconciliation dated 31/12/2024	£11,195,649.26 Cr	
Income during January	£106,033.34 Cr	
Movement of Cash-Investment	£920,000.00 Cr	
Add - Outstanding receipts- December	£62.69 Cr	
Less - Outstanding receipts - January	<u>£212.39 Dr</u>	£12,221,532.90 Cr
Less payments made:		
As per Reconciliation dated 31/12/2024	£11,213,883.28 Dr	
Schedule 10 payments dated 31/01/2025	£239,351.02 Dr	
Movement of Cash-Investment	<u>£750,000.00 Dr</u>	£12,203,234.30 Dr
		<u><b>£102,110.78 Cr</b></u>
Balance at Bank		
Current Account		£79,721.21 Cr
Deposit Account		<u>£22,389.57 Cr</u>
		<u><b>£102,110.78 Cr</b></u>
Short Term Investments held by the Council		
CCLA Public Sector Deposit Fund (MMF)		£250,000.00
Abrdn (MMF)		£500,000.00
DMADF-Deposit		£775,000.00
DMADF-Deposit		£545,000.00
DMADF-Deposit		£450,000.00
DMADF-Deposit		£300,000.00
		<u><b>£2,820,000.00</b></u>

I confirm that to the best of my knowledge and belief this is a true and accurate Statement of the Town Council's Cash Balance as at 31st January 2025

Prepared by Alison Spencer

Dated: 10th February 2025

Certified by Martin Ayres

Dated: 10th February 2025

**SWANAGE TOWN COUNCIL**

**Year Ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025**

**Payment schedule reported to Council - 24th February 2025**

**Schedule 10:**

The following payments have been made in accordance with Regulations 5 and 6 of the Town Council's Financial Regulations, amounting in aggregate to:

**NINE HUNDRED AND EIGHTY NINE THOUSAND, THREE HUNDRED AND FIFTY ONE POUNDS AND TWO PENCE**

.....(£989,351.02).....

## Swanage Town Council Schedule of Payments - Month 10

### Direct Debits & Standing Orders

Date	Name	Inv Ref	Inv Date	Details	Payment Total
10/01/2025	Barclaycard Merchant Services	001884331224	31/12/2024	Monthly charge	43.36
02/01/2025	Dorset Council	840014144	01/04/2024	Town Hall NNDR 24/25	20,180.00
20/01/2025	Ecotricity Ltd	06165227	06/01/2025	Electricity - various sites	2,140.07
22/01/2025		06165221	06/01/2025	Electricity - various sites	72.99
27/01/2025		06165231	06/01/2025	Electricity - various sites	3,015.21
15/01/2025	First Data	520334510615636	31/12/2024	Monthly charge	48.13
13/01/2025	Lloyds Bank PLC	445870038	11/12/2024	Bank charge	91.35
27/01/2025		446582353	08/01/2025	Bank charge	100.10
10/01/2025	Paytek Admin Services Ltd (First)	MI/4589429/03	01/01/2025	Monthly charge	72.00
10/01/2025		MI/4586839/03	01/01/2025	Monthly charge	128.35
17/01/2025	Sage (UK) Ltd	19996400	01/01/2025	Monthly charge	606.60
30/01/2025	SEFE Energy Limited	INV03685216	16/01/2025	Town Hall- Annexe	604.11
30/01/2025		INV03685434	16/01/2025	Town Hall- Office	1,169.59
30/01/2025		INV03685447	16/01/2025	Depot	287.33
30/01/2025		INV03685422	16/01/2025	TIC	324.37
02/01/2025	water2business	5066991020	02/12/2024	Mermond- Nov	279.83
02/01/2025		5066991039	02/12/2024	Heritage Toilets	228.50
02/01/2025		5067020950	02/12/2024	Shore Road Toilets	1,360.99
<b>Total of Direct Debit &amp; Standing Orders</b>					<b>30,752.88</b>

### Lloyds Chargecard

Date	Name	Inv Ref	Inv Date	Details	Payment Total
27/01/2025	Charge Card Transactions	809079	16/12/2025	Sundries-Council meeting	71.36
27/01/2025		321440	16/12/2025	Sundries-Council meeting	55.00
<b>Total of Chargecard payments</b>					<b>126.36</b>

### BACS /CHAPS

Date	Name	Inv Ref	Inv Date	Details	Payment Total
31/01/2025	123 Send Limited	000199300	01/01/2025	AxepT A920Pro pro with SIM	158.36
31/01/2025	Ace Office Environments Ltd.	01137746	17/01/2025	Stationery	179.69
31/01/2025		01137746	17/01/2025	Sundries	15.10
31/01/2025	Amazon	GB5DTBN7AEUI	15/01/2025	TIC - Carpet sweeper + dog water bowls	33.46
31/01/2025		GB50003IMI6W1I	15/01/2025	TIC - magnets for notice board	5.92
31/01/2025	Apogee Corporation Ltd	1494963	20/12/2024	Monthly rent	528.03
31/01/2025		1494963	20/12/2024	Toner	346.61
31/01/2025		1494662	20/12/2024	Depot -toner	53.54
31/01/2025	J9 Ltd T/a Barriers Direct	317788	27/01/2025	Barriers	364.51
31/01/2025	BIPCOM	INV-12004	01/01/2025	Divert to mobile	6.60
31/01/2025	Blue Level Media Ltd	SI-30372	01/01/2025	Annual hosting website	720.00
31/01/2025	BRITISH GAS TRADING LIMITED	811572124	14/01/2025	Electricity	39.72
31/01/2025	Ben Spurling	STC101	09/01/2025	Annual Report 2024	50.00
31/01/2025	Complete Asbestos Solutions Ltd	2191	14/01/2025	Asbestos report	354.00
31/01/2025		2190	14/01/2025	Asbestos report	234.00
31/01/2025	Central Southern Security Ltd	204694	31/12/2024	TH- Install digiair monitor	416.40
31/01/2025		205592	31/12/2024	Out of hours attendance	84.00
31/01/2025		204695	31/12/2024	Install Digiair monitor -Annexe	416.40
31/01/2025		205591	31/12/2024	Out of hours attendance	138.00
31/01/2025		205286	09/01/2025	CSS call out re: Faulty door sensor	74.40
31/01/2025	Charlie's Tasty Treats	0035	30/11/2024	TIC - dog treats for retail	100.00
10/01/2025	Coastal Crust Pizza	INV-0114	18/12/2025	Xmas Catering	515.00
31/01/2025	CMW Equipment Holdings Ltd	178731	22/01/2025	Beach Gardens - putting pins	331.92
31/01/2025	C G Ltd	Q3	31/12/2024	Q3 Agency Settlement	10,392.68
31/01/2025	Dorset Energy Solutions Ltd	9603	16/01/2025	Solar PV- BG	11,696.40
31/01/2025	Darkin Miller Ltd	939	30/12/2024	Internal Audit	1,724.46
31/01/2025	Dorset County Pension Fund	Payroll M10	20/01/2025	Payroll M10- Pension	21,517.45
31/01/2025		Payroll M10	20/01/2025	Payroll M10- CAYS	140.83
31/01/2025	Dorset Council	1801440942	25/12/2024	Annual Rent charge	2.00
31/01/2025		1801446967	09/01/2025	Occupational Health	1,008.00
31/01/2025		1801447146	17/01/2025	Visit Swanage fees and hosting	10,048.80
31/01/2025		1801450796	24/01/2025	Surveyor Fees	4,588.42
31/01/2025		1801450774	24/01/2025	Recharge Election -May 2024	9,561.42
31/01/2025	Dorset Glass Co.Ltd.	SA32148	14/01/2025	Window & Door restrictor unit	234.00
31/01/2025	Dorset Waste Partnership	2800428529	06/01/2025	Depot- Recycling	21.24
31/01/2025	Emmanuel Baptist Church	1389	06/12/2024	Church Hall- hire	15.00
31/01/2025	Fast Key Service Ltd	I335908	15/01/2025	TIC - replacement keys	10.24
31/01/2025	Flowbird Smart City UK Ltd	UI00014174	06/01/2025	WebOffice incl Airtime	88.22
31/01/2025		UI00014174	06/01/2025	Gateway Trans charge	468.18

31/01/2025	Four County Services Ltd.	67413	21/12/2024	Domain Hosting	38.40	
31/01/2025		67519	10/01/2025	TH IT	795.84	
31/01/2025		67517	10/01/2025	Depot- IT/phone	379.56	
31/01/2025		67518	10/01/2025	TIC/BG IT	509.78	
31/01/2025		67526	12/01/2025	Councillors subs laptops	360.00	
31/01/2025		67584	21/01/2025	Domain Hosting	38.40	2,121.98
31/01/2025	Follow The Shine Ltd	AWS YE70	04/01/2025	Cleaning Spa Retreat	45.00	
31/01/2025		AWS YE70	04/01/2025	TIC cleaning	420.00	
31/01/2025		AWS YE72	04/01/2025	Leanings B/huts	216.00	681.00
31/01/2025	GH Print Management	INV-7785	19/01/2025	TIC - Ad-board vinyl	48.00	
31/01/2025		INV-7792	23/01/2025	TIC - sticker	48.00	
31/01/2025		INV-7791	23/01/2025	Beach Gardens - Open Day stickers	90.00	186.00
31/01/2025	Greenham Trading Ltd.	04/498231	16/01/2025	Equipment		187.03
31/01/2025	Hardy Signs	SI-109163	30/09/2024	Signs	456.06	
31/01/2025		SI-109162	23/10/2024	Public Toilets sign - shore road	58.44	514.50
31/01/2025	A.R. Harris & Son	35073	18/12/2024	Services	60.00	
31/01/2025		35083	18/12/2024	Services	120.00	
31/01/2025		35299	01/01/2025	EICR Burlington Toilets	198.00	
31/01/2025		35312	04/01/2025	Services	96.00	
31/01/2025		35331	05/01/2025	Services	4,320.00	
31/01/2025		35416	24/01/2025	Services	137.46	4,931.46
31/01/2025	HMRC	Payroll M10	20/01/2025	Payroll M10- NI/PAYE		17,477.08
31/01/2025	ICTHUS Event Solutions Ltd	0847	16/12/2024	Festive lighting install and removal	2,196.00	
31/01/2025		0848	16/12/2024	Anchor bolt testing	660.00	2,856.00
31/01/2025	J.D. Facilities Ltd	INV-1816	01/01/2025	Depot - cleaning	197.59	
31/01/2025		INV-1817	01/01/2025	Depot - deep clean	230.62	
31/01/2025		INV-1815	01/01/2025	TH-cleaning	549.12	
31/01/2025		INV-1814	01/01/2025	Public Toilet- cleaning	7,600.85	
31/01/2025		INV-1818	01/01/2025	Main beach Toilet- cleaning	174.90	
31/01/2025		INV-1799	01/01/2025	Chapel Cleaning	81.00	8,834.08
31/01/2025	The Little Map Co & Fernhill Wholesal	2178	24/12/2024	Swanage Tide Times		125.00
31/01/2025	Maintain UK Drains Limited	INV-44744	26/01/2025	Emergency call out		342.00
31/01/2025	The Mowlem Institute	INV-0952	15/01/2025	Accessible Swanage booking of Mowlem		90.00
31/01/2025	National Express	AREXT/00244507	31/12/2024	December Agency Tickets		48.48
31/01/2025	National Trust	3179146	07/01/2025	Contribution		7,200.00
31/01/2025	Nixons Hardware Ltd	124271	12/12/2024	Materials		14.37
31/01/2025	Origin Amenity Solutions Limited	OASI0133777	10/01/2025	impact white liner		353.52
31/01/2025	All Holes & Patches Ltd	014	23/01/2025	Tarmac repairs		640.00
20/01/2025	Swanage Town Council	Month 10 Payroll	20/01/2025	Net Wages-Month 10		61,595.08
31/01/2025	Planet Merchant Service Ltd	PP4000681IE2412	31/12/2024	Gateway Dec		209.66
31/01/2025	Pod Point Ltd	3017316	18/12/2024	Admin Fee June-August 24		389.72
31/01/2025	Planet Purbeck CIO	35143-01	24/01/2025	Sustainable Swanage		3,003.00
31/01/2025	R U Secure Systems	133540	13/12/2024	CCTV- Maintenance check		144.00
31/01/2025	Swanage and Purbeck Development	INV-0084	20/01/2025	Venue hire		50.00
31/01/2025	SECURITY PLUS LIMITED	1080884	31/12/2024	Cash collection- Dec 24	322.74	
31/01/2025		1081361	31/12/2024	Cash Processing- Dec 24	64.80	387.54
31/01/2025	Sportshall Markings Ltd	14086	17/12/2024	Car Park relining		594.00
31/01/2025	Society of Local Council Clerks	BK219461-1	17/01/2025	Training course		126.00
31/01/2025	Southern Counties Engineering Servic	7238	20/12/2024	Repairs		246.73
31/01/2025	Spaldings (UK) Ltd.	SI-3004961	15/01/2025	STIHL - parts for machines		179.10
31/01/2025	St. Michaels Garage	4270	31/12/2024	Diesel Dec	387.67	
31/01/2025		S29977	14/01/2025	Service HG67 MDV	240.46	
31/01/2025		S29977	14/01/2025	MOT HG67 MDV	54.85	682.98
31/01/2025	Suez Recycling & Recovery UK Ltd	33499244	31/12/2024	Skip exchange		956.84
31/01/2025	Sutcliffe Play (South West) Ltd.	7345	17/01/2025	Play equipment	870.00	
31/01/2025		7380	20/01/2025	Play equipment	53.38	923.38
31/01/2025	Swanage Bowling Club	100	23/12/2024	Xmas Refreshments		438.50
31/01/2025	Swanage News	1284	31/10/2024	News paper Oct 24	36.40	
31/01/2025		1284	28/12/2024	News paper Nov-Dec 24	81.55	117.95
31/01/2025	Swanage Tyres and Tuning Ltd	35596	08/01/2025	HJ18 EHX puncture repair		24.00
31/01/2025	South West Geotechnical Ltd	INV-2162	28/11/2024	Swanage Seafront- Monitoring	3,366.00	
31/01/2025		INV-2194	17/12/2024	Swanage Seafront- Monitoring	1,683.00	
31/01/2025		INV-2240	27/01/2025	Replacement of instrumentation covers	1,254.00	6,303.00
31/01/2025	Telefonica O2 UK Ltd	34750254	24/12/2024	SIM Charges	306.49	
31/01/2025		35341661	24/01/2025	SIM Charges	202.42	508.91
31/01/2025	Terminator Control Ltd	4288	27/09/2024	Pest Control	141.00	
31/01/2025		4353	09/01/2025	Pest Control	298.00	
31/01/2025		4354	09/01/2025	Pest Control	105.00	544.00

31/01/2025	Travis Perkins	1012367716	12/12/2024	Materials & Equipment	110.76	
31/01/2025		1012710720	19/12/2024	Materials & Equipment	26.34	
31/01/2025		1012892210	23/12/2024	Materials & Equipment	34.28	
31/01/2025		1013046477	03/01/2025	Materials & Equipment	28.94	
31/01/2025		1013127212	07/01/2025	Materials & Equipment	30.28	
31/01/2025		1013127211	07/01/2025	Materials & Equipment	27.60	
31/01/2025		1013194397	08/01/2025	Materials & Equipment	46.74	
31/01/2025		1013262536	09/01/2025	Materials & Equipment	16.90	
31/01/2025		1013262535	09/01/2025	Materials & Equipment	16.80	
31/01/2025		1013472675	13/01/2025	Materials & Equipment	16.49	
31/01/2025		1013894656	21/01/2025	Materials & Equipment	21.98	
31/01/2025		1014126195	24/01/2025	Materials & Equipment	66.98	444.09
31/01/2025	Trinity St Christmas Trees	INV-1353	31/12/2024	Christmas tree		1,368.00
31/01/2025	Third Party Payments	Payroll M10	20/01/2025	Payroll Month 10- Third Party deductions		333.02
31/01/2025	Watson Fuels	I14247650	17/01/2025	Diesel		963.16
31/01/2025	Westmade Ltd	1013653	18/12/2024	Works TIC Boiler	1,040.95	
31/01/2025		1013651	18/12/2024	Annual Boiler inspection (Depot)	576.41	
31/01/2025		1013651	18/12/2024	Annual Boiler inspection (TIC)	576.41	
31/01/2025		1013651	18/12/2024	Annual Boiler inspection (TH)	576.40	
31/01/2025		1013706	20/12/2024	Replace Thermostat	72.00	
31/01/2025		1013716	20/12/2024	Faulty water heater tap	249.00	3,091.17
31/01/2025	WSP	50050569	24/01/2025	Services		1,562.45
<b>Total of BACS/CHAPS Payments</b>						<b>208,471.78</b>

***Faster payments issued 10th January 2025***

515.00

***BACS payroll payment issued 20th January 2025***

61,595.08

***BACS supplier payments issued 31st January 2025***

146,361.70

**208,471.78**

**Total of Payments**

**239,351.02**

**Investments - Cash Movements**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Inv Ref</u>	<u>Inv Date</u>	<u>Details</u>		<u>Payment Total</u>
21/01/2025	DMADF	transfer	21/01/2025	DMADF	450,000.00	
31/01/2025	DMADF	transfer	31/01/2025	DMADF	300,000.00	750,000.00
<b>Total of Investments</b>						<b>750,000.00</b>

**Total of Payments & Investments**

**989,351.02**

**Grants Panel - To consider recommendations**

The Grants Panel met on 14<sup>th</sup> February 2025 to review in detail additional grant applications received by the Town Council for the 2024/25 financial year. Appendix 3 outlines the applications, requested amounts, recommended grant sizes, project summaries, and the Panel's reasons for support or refusal of the applications.

Also attached (Appendix 1) is a copy of the Council's grant criteria, adopted in February 2021. To ensure broad fund distribution, grants will usually be for sums of less than £500 and will typically only support festivals and events whilst they are being established. Applicants are required to demonstrate financial need.

**Background**

The Council has agreed a grants budget of £10,000 for the 2024/25 financial year. This is separate from the support for East Dorset & Purbeck Citizens Advice which has been given its own budget line. This sum also excludes the Council's support to partner organisations including Dorset Council, through which the Town Council funds the Mount Scar School Crossing Patrol.

**Details**

A total of £2,000 has been awarded to date (Appendix 2). A further total of £650 has been requested, and it is proposed that the full amount be awarded. If approved, this will leave a remaining budget of £7,350 for any further applications received before the end of the financial year.

Further to Minute No. 192 of the Extraordinary Council Meeting held on 26<sup>th</sup> February 2024, the Panel has undertaken its review of the Council's donations policy. Consideration was given to introducing regular annual donations and fixed-term grants for local community groups and organisations, subject to eligibility criteria, to support their vital services. The review aimed to simplify the application process by reducing the number of applications required to be made each year by these groups through approved regular donations, and streamline the Council's administration process. As part of this review, donations policies from other Town Councils were examined.

New draft grant criteria and guidelines are currently being developed, and the Panel will reconvene to refine them before presenting the final draft to the Council's Finance and Governance Committee for further review/consideration at a future meeting.

As previously highlighted, to raise awareness of the Council's grant scheme among local charitable and community groups, details will continue to be shared with the Swanage Town and Community Partnership, and via the Council's website and Facebook page. Local groups will be encouraged to contact officers for more information.

**Decision required:**

To approve the Grants Panel's recommendations made at its meeting on 14<sup>th</sup> February 2025, and to note the review and development of new draft grant criteria and guidelines as outlined above.

Niki Clark  
Planning and Community Engagement Manager  
February 2025

### GUIDELINES FOR APPLICANTS

**Please read these notes carefully before completing the application form.**

1. Swanage Town Council provides an annual budget of £10,000 available for grants and donations. In order to ensure a wide distribution of funds, grants will usually be for sums of less than £500. Larger grants may be considered in exceptional circumstances. In all cases applicants will be required to demonstrate financial need, and the sum requested must be commensurate with the direct benefit obtained.
2. Please complete the attached application form as fully as possible. If there is insufficient space on any part of the application form, please attach a separate note. The Council welcomes any additional supporting information that you believe will assist your application. Any application not on the approved form cannot be considered. Applications that are applying retrospectively cannot be considered.

Applications will only be considered from community groups and organisations that are a properly constituted body. This may include a group or organisation with charitable purposes, a charity, or a not-for-profit company.

Applications will not be considered from grant-gifting organisations, i.e., those who allocate grants to others, profit-making organisations and companies, or individuals.

3. Requests for grant aid should be consistent with the Town Council's statement of policies and objectives (see [www.swanage.gov.uk/Policies.aspx](http://www.swanage.gov.uk/Policies.aspx)) and will normally only be considered from the following:
  - 3.1 A charity based in and/or operating within the boundaries of the civil parish of Swanage. National and regional charities must demonstrate direct local benefits.
  - 3.2 A non-profit making organisation serving the needs of Swanage or its residents.
  - 3.3 Residents of Swanage requesting grant aid with a capital project to provide benefit to a wider group.
  - 3.4 A club, association or organisation serving all or part of the Swanage community.
  - 3.5 Organisers establishing new festivals and events, which will bring an economic, cultural, or other demonstrable benefit to the town.
  - 3.6 The Council will not provide grant aid to individuals, for the support of any political group, or to organisations that are socially exclusive (i.e., where there are restrictions on membership inconsistent with equal opportunities).



4. Applications for grant aid that do not meet the criteria set out in 3.1 to 3.6 above may be considered in special circumstances, but the Council cannot make grants retrospectively. If you wish to discuss a potential application, please contact the Town Clerk either by telephone on 01929 423636, or e-mail [admin@swanage.gov.uk](mailto:admin@swanage.gov.uk)
5. Together with this application form you should also supply the following information:
  - A copy of the last audited annual accounts or, in the case of smaller organisations, a recent income and expenditure statement authorised by a qualified accountant.
  - A business plan or strategy that includes a clear understanding of the organisation's operating environment, risk exposure, and projected income and expenditure.
  - A minute of the meeting of the organisation stating the purpose of the funding request and authorising the application.
  - Payments will not be made to individuals or private bank accounts. Please include the name and details of the account that any grant will be paid into (must be in the name on the application form).
  - Applications must take into consideration the impact on climate and environment and show a commitment to comply with the Town Council's Environment Policy and Action Plan.
6. Applications will normally be considered annually as part of the Council's budget setting process. The deadline for submission is the **31<sup>st</sup> of December** for grants to be paid in respect of the forthcoming financial year, from 1<sup>st</sup> April. However, if funding remains available, requests may be considered at any stage during the financial year.
7. Applications will be assessed on the basis of the information supplied, against the following criteria: whether the grant will support the Town Council's policies and objectives; how well the grant will meet the economic, cultural, environmental, social or other needs of the community; availability of alternative funding; extent of fundraising activity by the applicant(s); previous grant aid from the Town Council.

The Council reserves the right to request further information and supporting evidence.

Grants may be paid over a three-year period.

The length of the grant period will be at the discretion of The Council.

- 8.** The decision of the Town Council is final. If your application is successful, you will receive written confirmation of your award. You must sign a form accepting the Council's terms and conditions and will be expected to acknowledge Council support in all communication with the media.
  
- 9.** Any grant not utilised within 12 months for the original purpose must be returned to the Town Council.

**Swanage Town Council - grants awarded to date**

**Grants and Donations Summary 2024/25**

Lewis-Manning Hospice Care	£ 500
Mosaic – Supporting Bereaved Children	£ 500
Swanage Community Defibrillator Partnership	£ 1,000

**Total awarded to date:** =====  
£ 2,000  
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**Grant applications to consider on 24<sup>th</sup> February 2025:**

Swanage Town Band	£ 150
Swanage Youth Music	£ 500

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£ 650  
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## Swanage Town Council - Grant applications received

Applicant	Sum Requested	Recommended grant	Summary of project	Reason for support
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Swanage Town Band</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Swanage Town Band – Swanage.co.uk</a></li> </ul>	£150	£150	<p><b>Committee-run (by members).</b></p> <p>The Town Band provides live music at local events, fostering musical enjoyment and participation for all skill levels. Encouraging the local community to join the band and nurturing young talent (band members still at school or in further education do not pay subscription fees). The band's 40 volunteer members dedicate their time to rehearsals, organisation and performances, actively contributing to public events that enhance local culture and promote Swanage as a tourist destination. The band's free concerts attract 150-300 attendees, sustaining public appreciation for live music.</p> <p>This application seeks funding to assist with the purchase of two new pieces of music, supporting the band's annual repertoire expansion and member development. Last year, with the support of the Town Council (£150), the band acquired three pieces for £195.79. New music enriches performances and keeps programs engaging.</p> <p>The band funds its operations and charitable efforts through donations and band membership fees (which increased from £60 to £105 p.a. last year to cover rising costs, including hall rental, performance expenses, and a new Music Director). In 2024, it supported Julia's House, a children's hospice.</p>	<p><b>Recommend approval.</b></p> <p>Benefit to the local community's health and wellbeing (free events/social activities/youth services).</p> <p>In support of funding the capital purchase of new music, in recognition of the valuable contribution that the band makes to the town and local community.</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Purbeck Youth Music (PYM)</a></li> <li>• Newsletter: <a href="#">News Reports</a></li> </ul>	£500	£500	<p><b>Registered Charity No. 1190008.</b></p> <p>Purbeck Youth Music (PYM) aims to ‘inspire and enthuse a new generation of young musicians’ by providing instruments, lessons, and interactive music programmes, including creative singing, strings, woodwind, brass, and guitar. Partnering with nine primary schools in Swanage and Purbeck, PYM makes music fun while developing young people’s skills. The charity highlights the severe lack of music funding in local state schools, noting that without PYM, many children would miss out. A recent PYM newsletter showcases the enthusiastic response from students, parents, and teachers. Recently, 110 children from four Purbeck primary schools received a free brass trial lesson, with 55 enrolling for group lessons in 2025.</p> <p>To meet growing demand, PYM seeks funding to attract more tutors to Swanage by increasing travel and expense rates and covering DBS checks. Additional support will help 500 Purbeck primary school students (half in Swanage) and provide access to subsidised/free lessons and instrument loans for low-income families. This initiative enriches not only the children but also the wider community.</p> <p>PYM continues to seek funding from local trusts, music organisations, and individuals.</p>	<p><b>Recommend approval.</b></p> <p>Subsidised and free services, benefitting the local community by supporting mental health, overall wellbeing, and social engagement, particularly among young people.</p> <p>In support of funding PYM’s efforts to attract more tutors to travel to Swanage to increase offering for local children.</p>
<b>Total:</b>	£650	<b>£650</b>		