

EXECUTIVE DECISION NOTICE

DISCRETIONARY RATE RELIEF SUB-COMMITTEE

A record of the decisions made at the meeting of the Discretionary Rate Relief Sub-Committee held on Wednesday, 26 October 2016, at 11.50 a.m.

Present

Councillors

Giles Archibald	Leader of the Council and Promoting South Lakeland Portfolio Holder
Jonathan Brook	Housing and Innovation Portfolio Holder
Chris Hogg	Culture and Wellbeing Portfolio Holder

Apology for absence was received from Councillor David Fletcher.

Officers

Una Bell	Assistant Committee Services Officer
Nicola Hartley	Senior Solicitor
Ross McLaughlin	Revenues Officer (BIDS and Reliefs)

DRR/6 ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

RESOLVED – That Councillor Jonathan Brook be elected Chairman for the meeting.

DRR/7 APOLOGIES AND RECONSTITUTION OF MEMBERSHIP

Councillor David Fletcher having tendered his apologies, substitute Member Councillor Giles Archibald took his place on the Sub-Committee.

DRR/8 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

RESOLVED – That it be noted that no declarations of interest were raised.

DRR/9 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 - EXCLUDED ITEMS

RESOLVED – That it be noted that there are no excluded items on the Agenda.

DRR/10 DETERMINATION OF APPLICATIONS FOR DISCRETIONARY RATE RELIEF

Summary

Consideration was given to an application for discretionary rate relief made by Milnthorpe Steel Band. The organisation had received 80% mandatory relief and, therefore, 20% discretionary rate relief was the maximum that could be awarded by the Sub-Committee.

Decision

RESOLVED – That 20% discretionary rate relief be awarded to Milnthorpe Steel Band (reference 53084640) (amount - £1,267.35).

Reasons for Decision

The application is in line with the Council's policy, in that the organisations main objectives are charitable and residents of the district benefit sufficiently, when compared with the cost of awarding the relief.

The award of discretionary rate relief to charitable organisations and other non-profit making organisations helps to achieve the Council's priorities and targets, set out in the Council Plan.

Alternative Options Considered and Rejected

The alternative would be to refuse the application but this is not recommended as this would not be in accordance with the Council's policy.

The meeting ended at 11.55 a.m.