

DONATIONS FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31 MARCH 2024 USING THE GENERAL POWER OF COMPETENCE

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Recipient	Reasoning for request for donation	Requested	Action	Approved
SARS	Teams have responded to over 525 calls for assistance in 2022-23 including incidents in Thurston and the immediate surrounding area. Request is to help cover the running costs of their specialist resources. SARS relies on voluntary grants & donations to support & maintain its charitable activities.	£300.00	Approved 02.08.23	£500.00
Gatehouse Caring in East Anglia	To assist with costs for the delivery of food parcels to those most vulnerable in Thurston. Aim of grant to improve the service available to the parish and build a more connected community during the cost of living crisis.	£500.00	Approved 02.08.23	£500.00
Citizens Advice West Suffolk	To assist with costs to for the delivery of food parcels to those most vulnerable in Thurston. Aim of grant is to improve the service available to the parish of Thurston and build a more connected community during the cost of living crisis.	£500.00	to be considered 06.09.23	£500.00
TOTAL OF EXPENDITURE APPROVED AT MEETING OF 02 AUGUST 2023			£1,000.00	£500.00
TOTAL OF EXPENDITURE TO BE CONSIDERED AT MEETING OF 06 SEPTEMBER 2023			£500.00	
ANNUAL BUDGET OF £10,000.00 AS SET ASIDE FROM CIL FUNDS TO BE ALLOCATED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE COUNCIL'S SMALL GRANT POT			£10,000.00	
TOTAL BUDGET AVAILABLE TO BE DISTRIBUTED by 31 MARCH 2024			£8,500.00	

* The General Power of Competence (GPC) was introduced by the Localism Act 2011 and took effect in February 2012. At its Annual Parish Council Meeting of 17 May 2023 the Parish Council reconfirmed that it fulfilled the eligibility criteria set by the SoS (Localism Act 2011 s8) and that it was enabled to use the General Power of Competence (GPC).