

**BRIDGNORTH TOWN COUNCIL
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY 20TH JUNE 2017**

Agenda item no: 15

Town Mayors Allowance

Information

Members are aware that in the budget there is £2000 as a Mayors Allowance for the 2017/2018 financial year.

Background

The Mayors Allowance is paid annually to the incumbent Mayor as a donation towards the costs of carrying out the role of Town Mayor for any given civic year. The payment is subject to the usual tax and national insurance contributions.

Cllr. Whittle has chosen not to accept his allowance and after would like to use it to make grants to local charities, groups or organisations which benefit the residents of Bridgnorth through this Mayoral Year. The Town Clerk has confirmed the matter with the Internal Auditors as an acceptable use of the Mayors Allowance but it would need to be subject to the agreement of the Town Council.

Way Forward

Members are therefore asked to agree the following:

- i) That the Town Mayor for 2017/2018 may use his Mayoral Allowance to make grants to local organisations, groups or charities which benefit the residents of Bridgnorth (noting that the full £2000 would be available and not subject to deductions)

That subject to the agreement of i) above that

- £1000 be paid to Rupert's Revenge
- £1000 be available for the Town Mayor to use to make grants to local charities, groups and organisations which benefit the residents of Bridgnorth