BURGESS HILL TOWN COUNCIL	
MINOR GRANT APPLICATION	
NAME OF ORGANISATION	The Escape Youth Club
NUMBER OF BURGESS HILL	33 adult members & 85 junior members
MEMBERS/BENEFICIARIES	
PURPOSE FOR WHICH	Mental Health training course for committee
GRANT IS SOUGHT	members
AMOUNT REQUESTED	£1,080
TOTAL COST OF PROJECT	£1,080
OTHER SOURCES OF INCOME	None – all events cancelled
PREVIOUS GRANTS	None – new group started in Jan 2020
CONSTITUTION	Yes
FINANCE	See financial comments below

COMMUNITY COMMENTS:

The Escape Youth Club is a Friday night youth club based at Park Centre for secondary school age children from Burgess Hill and surrounding villages, set up in August 2019. The club provides a safe and supportive environment offering a wide range of activities.

Mental health is an issue for many young people and is the main reason for setting up the group. The committee would like to increase their skills to enable them to deal with mental health situations.

They have approached the charity Young MINDS, which has offered to carry out a training course for the committee, encompassing the following areas:

- Introduction to Children and Young people's mental health
- Evaluating participation
- Building resilience
- Trauma and mental health.

The grant requested is for the cost of providing the course.

FINANCIAL COMMENT:

Comment: This application was originally submitted as part of Phase 1 minor grants but was missed in error from the schedule of applications. The pandemic has made redundant much of the information originally provided, however, the RFO has talked direct with the applicant and comments as follows:

The organisation is looking to open in the Park Centre during September (although they have held one open air event attracting some 65 kids) and their training needs and associated expenditure are still valid.

The organisation has just over £1,100 in their bank account which satisfies the test the Town Council is not funding an organisation's past debt.

No financial objection to this grant application.