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<b>Title of meeting:</b>	Culture, Regeneration and Economic Development Decision Meeting
<b>Subject:</b>	Portsmouth Community Lottery- Hive Portsmouth
<b>Date of meeting:</b>	11 October 2024
<b>Report by:</b>	Director of Culture, Leisure and Regulatory Services
<b>Cabinet Member:</b>	Councillor Steve Pitt
<b>Wards affected:</b>	ALL

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1. **Requested by: Director of Culture, Leisure and Regulatory Services**
  2. **Purpose:** To provide an update of the Portsmouth Community Lottery
  3. **Information Requested**
    - 3.1 **Overview**
      - 3.1.1 Portsmouth Lottery was launched by Portsmouth City Council On 5<sup>th</sup> November 2016
      - 3.1.2 A decision was made by Cabinet on 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2021 to transfer the Portsmouth Lottery to Hive Portsmouth as the community strategic partner to be operated as a community lottery, this was because Hive Portsmouth works with a broad range of voluntary and community groups across Portsmouth, including over 800 city-based groups on their directory of services and were well positioned to manage this process. The transfer was finalised in July 2021
      - 3.1.3 Portsmouth Community Lottery currently helps 208 organisations, known as "good causes", to raise year-round funds. To date the funds raised from the community lottery totals £391040.40 There has been an increase in number of organisations becoming a good cause, however we have seen a larger increase in the weekly tickets being sold. Hive Portsmouth continues to provide promotion and encouragement for groups in the city to apply for and become a good cause, using their media channels and networking events. Although Hive Portsmouth does not



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have influence on the sale of tickets, they do raise awareness of the benefits of supporting a good cause.

- 3.1.4 At present the lottery attracts ticket sales of over 1000 per week, tickets cost £1. As well as purchasing tickets to support good causes in the city, players also can win prizes ranging from extra tickets to a maximum prize of no more than £25000. Since January 2024, we have had 821 winning tickets.
- 3.1.5 20p of each ticket in the draw is returned to Hive Portsmouth for redistribution to local voluntary groups via a grant application process. An independent lottery panel, with membership from business, education and sector organisations meet 3 times each year to decide upon distribution. Since July 2022, 91 organisations have received funding from Hive Portsmouth totalling £59450 with another application window due next month.
- 3.1.6 I have provided a few examples of where Portsmouth Community lottery has been able to provide funding to groups to highlight the impact for residents in the city:

*"thank you for the generous donation. This enabled a group of Guides to attend the Sleeping Beauty performance at the New Theatre Royal, Portsmouth and a Celebration camp at Sandy Acres camp"*

Connors toy library was given an award to provide weekly stay, play and toy loan sessions for families over the summer holidays. This enabled these sessions to run over the summer when previously they were closed.

Word of Mouth World CIC provide a safe platform for upcoming urban musicians based in Portsmouth. Funding was awarded to support the first ever Portsmouth Music Awards. A night of celebration, dedicated to showcasing the amazing talent within the city of Portsmouth.

Portsmouth Parent Voice are an organisation who support and empower parent carers of children with disabilities. Funding was awarded to buy resources to run sessions in schools alongside the Mental Health Support Team to educate parent carers how to support the mental health of their children. These resources were used to create personalised calm kits to help emotionally regulate children with additional needs. These calm kits would be made by the children alongside a parent/carer which demonstrates how these kits can be used at home when the child is faced with a stressful situation.



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3.1.7 Hive Portsmouth hosts a grant application workshops for each Lottery round to improve the quality of the bids, open to all community organisations working in the city. These workshops are interactive and packed full of hints and tips about how to complete a successful grant application. These have been well attended and appreciated by the community groups and voluntary sector organisations in the city.

3.1.8 A continuing area of focus is on encouraging organisations to register to become a good cause and provide support to them and organisations who are already registered to increase their ticket sales to raise funds.

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Signed by  
**Stephen Baily**  
**Director of Culture, Leisure and Regulatory Services**

**Appendices:** None

**Background list of documents: Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972**

The following documents disclose facts or matters, which have been relied upon to a material extent by the author in preparing this report:

Title of document	Location