

FELIXSTOWE AND DISTRICT COUNCIL FOR SPORT AND RECREATION



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Dear Deputy Town Clerk,

You wrote recently to request some evidence of how the annual grant of £200 from Felixstowe Town Council for 2019-2020 was spent.

This local sports council has some 30 affiliated sports clubs with around 5000 sports players. Working through its Executive Committee, which includes two representatives from Felixstowe Town Council, the council has a variety of aims including:

- to encourage greater participation by all sections of the community - especially younger and older people
- to keep under review the area's sporting, recreational and play needs and to encourage the development of facilities
- to recognise achievement by local sports players and club officials

In recent months, some of the activities undertaken by this council have been:

- the annual Sports Awards in six categories including Sports Personality of the Year, Junior Sports Personality, Team of the Year,

Supported by Felixstowe Town Council

The Annual Mr Cobbler Sports Awards Evening is sponsored by:

Mr. Cobbler. Ipswich Star Nick Barber Auctions Eastcliff Carpets Pierrot Stationers
Walton Barbers Wainwrights

- Club Official, Service to Sport and Junior Progress in Sport
- small grants of £25 made available to assist clubs with the purchase of basic equipment
 - provision of advice and support for affiliated clubs
 - close liaison with local clubs affected by East Suffolk Council's idea for sports hubs in the town
 - interest free loans of up to £3000 for up to three years made available for club projects
 - the Inter-Town Sports Challenge between Felixstowe and Woodbridge in eleven events
 - close liaison with East Suffolk Council Active Communities section and with the officer responsible for the proposed new leisure centre

Although it is difficult to identify precisely where the annual grant has been spent other than on administration, please be assured that the above list of some of the council's activities must represent good value for money.

Yours sincerely,

Michael Shurman

Chairman