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(CCC) Committee Community grant

I would like copies of the Area Committee Community grant applications from Friends of Midsummer Common to Cambridge City Council (I believe West Central area) for 2021-22, 2020-21, and 2019-20 if possible please. I am particularly interested in the most recent grant application, but previous years would be very helpful.

Response:

The council holds the grant application forms for the Friends of Midsummer Common for 2021-22, 2020-21, and 2019-20.

We are withholding this information from disclosure under section 41 of the Freedom of Information as we consider the information provided to the council is provided under a duty of confidence.

We consider that disclosure of this information under Freedom of Information would be a breach of this confidence.

In considering this exemption the council has considered the wider public interest in relation to the transparency of our processes for awarding and monitoring grant funding.

We use checks and balances of grant funding applications and the process of agreeing them and this is why we are maintaining the exemption and cannot therefore disclose the information

We are satisfied that our processes offer transparency over the awarding of grant funding.

We have therefore decided to uphold the decision to apply the exemption from disclosure under section 41 of the Freedom of Information Act.

We add the following web links as examples of transparency and opportunities for scrutiny :

<https://midsummercommon.org.uk/#:~:text=Friends%20of%20Midsummer%20Common%20%28FoMC%29%20is%20a%20group,grass%20and%20clear%20weeds%20in%20a%20sociable%20environment>

On this webpage are links to constitution, minutes, AGM minutes, health and safety and equalities policy.

Minutes and reports of area committee meetings

2021-22

Minutes: <https://democracy.cambridge.gov.uk/documents/b15974/Decision%20Sheet%2011th-Mar-2021%2018.30%20West%20Central%20Area%20Committee.pdf?T=9>

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2020-21

Minutes: <https://democracy.cambridge.gov.uk/documents/b13217/Decision%20Notice%20WCAC%2005th-Mar-2020%2018.30%20West%20Central%20Area%20Committee.pdf?T=9>

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2019-20

Minutes:

<https://democracy.cambridge.gov.uk/documents/g3531/Printed%20minutes%2014th-Mar-2019%2019.00%20West%20Central%20Area%20Committee.pdf?T=1>

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<https://democracy.cambridge.gov.uk/documents/g3531/Public%20reports%20pack%2014th-Mar-2019%2019.00%20West%20Central%20Area%20Committee.pdf?T=10>

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