CONGLETON TOWN COUNCIL

COMMITTEE REPORTS AND UPDATES

COMMITTEE:	Council		
MEETING DATE	10 th August 2023	LOCATION	Congleton Town Hall
AND TIME	7.00pm		
REPORT FROM	Serena Van Schepdael – Responsible Financial Officer (RFO)		
AGENDA ITEM	Agenda item 13 Ukraine Support Earmark Reserve		
REPORT TITLE			
Background	For the financial year 2022-2023 Council approved an Earmark Reserve of £5,000 to be set aside for Ukraine Support, it was agreed some of this reserve could be used for English Lessons for that financial year. Initially, the projected costs for lessons were £2,200 but less was spent during 22-23. At the end of the year a balance of £1,948 remained in the reserve fund. The Congleton Area Ukraine Support Network submitted 2 applications for Financial Assistance for their English Language Lessons project which is split over 1-2-1 sessions and group sessions, 1 application for each type of lessons provided. The applications were presented to Finance and Policy on 20th July 2023 who approved a grant of £2,475 to be used against lessons.		
Details	Finance and Policy approved the use of £527 from the Grant Fund Budget and the remainder to be funded from the balance of the Earmark Reserve that was carried forward from 2022-2023.		
Decision Requested	As recommended by the Finance and Policy Committee, approve the use of the balance from the Ukraine Earmark Reserve of £1948 to fund English Lessons for 2023-2024. Payment of the grant is to be delegated to the RFO.		