

Grant Aid Sub-Committee

Tuesday, 03 December 2013 at 14:00

County Hall, County Hall, West Bridgford, Nottingham NG2 7QP

AGENDA

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| 1 | Minutes of the last meeting held on 3 September 2013 | 5 - 8 |
| 2 | Apologies for Absence | |
| 3 | Declarations of Interests by Members and Officers:- (see note below)
(a) Disclosable Pecuniary Interests
(b) Private Interests (pecuniary and non-pecuniary) | |
| 4 | Mind Network, presentation by Nic Roberts MIND Network | |
| 5 | Grant Aid to Advice & Guidance Group - Extending Agreements | 9 - 12 |
| 6 | Community Resource Centre Lottery Proposal, presentation by Fiona Simpson NAVO | |
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Meeting GRANT AID SUB-COMMITTEE

Date Tuesday 3 September 2013 (commencing at 2.00 pm)

Membership

Persons absent are marked with an 'A'

COUNCILLORS

Joyce Bosnjak (Chairman)
Martin Suthers (Vice-Chairman)

Nicki Brooks
John Cottee
David Kirkham

Keith Longdon
Michael Payne

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE

Sue Cullen	Sports and Arts Service Manager
Cathy Harvey	Team Manager, Community and Voluntary Sector
Dawn Lawrence	Assistant Democratic Service Officer
Chris Walker	Temporary Group Manager, Safer and Engaged Communities

MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

RESOLVED 2013/24

The minutes of the meeting held on 8 July 2013 were amended to report the appointment of Councillor Steve Carroll in place of Councillor Michael Payne for that meeting only. Once amended the minutes were signed by the Chair.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were none.

The following change of membership was reported to the meeting:-

- Cllr Nicki Brooks replaced Cllr John Allin for this meeting only.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

ARTS GRANT AID 2013/14

Sue Cullen, Arts and Sports Manager, gave a presentation on the background process for the allocation of grant aid to arts projects through the Nottinghamshire Arts Fund (NAF).

RESOLVED 2013/25

That the report was noted and the following be reviewed:

- That Members review the selection criteria for NAF
- That the £14,000 allocated at the first round was noted
- That the criteria for the allocation of the remainder of the £42,000 be reviewed and brought to the next meeting of the Grant Aid Sub-Committee

SPORTS GRANT AID 2013-14

Sue Cullen, Arts and Sports Manager, reported the process for allocation of grant aid to sports by means of Community Sports Fund, Rising Stars and Shining Stars grants.

RESOLVED 2013/26

- That Members approved a change in the process for Community Sports Funding, that more information be supplied on why applications are successful or unsuccessful and that assistance is offered to groups when applying, particularly in more disadvantaged communities
- That Members consider the future arrangements for Shining Stars
- That Members approved the list of successful Rising Star applications

GRANT TO NOTTINGHAMSHIRE SCHOOLS COUNCIL FOR SPORT 2013/14

Sue Cullen, Arts and Sports Manager, presented the report requesting approval be given to award £39,100 to the Nottinghamshire Schools Council for Sports for the year 2013/14 from the Community Sports Fund section of the Grant Aid Budget.

RESOLVED 2013/27

That Members approved £39,100 awarded to Nottinghamshire Schools Council for Sports for 2013/14.

MANSFIELD WOODHOUSE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GROUP

Cathy Harvey, Team Manager, Community and Voluntary Sector, presented a report seeking approval to make a grant of £5,000 to Mansfield Woodhouse Community Development Group (MWCDG) enabling continued service delivery whilst longer term sustainability issues be addressed and resolved.

RESOLVED 2013/28

Members approved the grant of £5,000 with the following recommendations:

- That The Grant Aid Sub-Committee approve a grant with special conditions of £5,000 to the MWCDG
- That the Board of Trustee of MWCDG agree to work in partnership with the County Council to develop more sustainable funding solutions
- That Nottinghamshire County Council Community and Voluntary Sector Team co-ordinates a partnership approach to reviewing the current operational model

GRANT AID 2012/13 ANNUAL OVERVIEW TO GRANT AID SUB-COMMITTEE

Chris Walker, Temporary Group Manager, Safer and Engaged Communities, presented Members with an overview of the Grant Aid Programme during 2012/13.

RESOLVED 2013/29

That the report was noted.

WORK PROGRAMME

Members considered the Committees work programme for 2013/14

RESOLVED 2013/30

That the report was noted.

The meeting closed at 3.30 pm

CHAIRMAN

**REPORT OF THE TEMPORARY GROUP MANAGER SAFER AND ENGAGED
COMMUNITIES****GRANT AID TO ADVICE & GUIDANCE GROUPS – EXTENDING
AGREEMENTS****Purpose of the Report**

1. The purpose of this report is to seek approval to extend the Grant Aid Agreements of the Advice and Guidance organisations listed in appendix 1 for 2014/15.

Information and Advice

2. The Corporate Grant Aid Strategy states that where possible grant aid agreements should be made for a period of three years. This helps groups with their medium to long term financial planning. However, when awards were recommended for 2012/13 a number of groups offering advice and guidance services were only approved for 1 year. This recommendation was made because colleagues in Adult Social Care and Health were planning a review of advice services in 2012. However this review did not take place, consequently the grant aid sub-committee agreed an extension for 2013/14.
3. Colleagues in Adult Social Care are now developing an “Information and Advice Strategy” this has been triggered by a number of factors, which includes:
 - i. Changes to Advocacy services
 - ii. Refresh of Early Intervention and Prevention approach
 - iii. The Care and Support Bill requiring certain duties and responsibilities of Local Authorities relating to Information and Advice
4. As part of developing our Information and Advice Strategy colleagues are keen to review those groups who are offering advice and guidance.

Financial Implications

5. The groups listed in appendix 1 are currently in receipt of grant aid and an extension for 2014/15. It is proposed that the award for 2014/15 is reduced by 10.76% - this builds in the planned reduction applied to all the three year agreements.
6. The grant will be funded from the 2014/15 grant aid budget.

Other Options Considered

7. No other options have been considered

Reason/s for Recommendation/s

8. This proposal will place the advice and information groups in the same cycle of funding as the majority of all other funded groups. It will also allow time for the development of the Information and Advice Strategy.

Statutory and Policy Implications

9. This report has been compiled after consideration of implications in respect of finance, equal opportunities, human resources, crime and disorder, human rights, the safeguarding of children, sustainability and the environment and those using the service and where such implications are material they are described below. Appropriate consultation has been undertaken and advice sought on these issues as required.

RECOMMENDATION/S

10. It is recommended that:

- i) The Grant Aid Sub-Committee approves an extension of grants to the groups listed at appendix 1 – the period being 1 July 2014 to 30 June 2015.
- ii) That the amount awarded to each group is reduced by 10.76% - this is in line with the planned reduction in the Grant Aid budget for 2014/15.

Chris Walker

Temporary Group Manager, Safer and Engaged Communities

For any enquiries about this report please contact:

Cathy Harvey

Team Manager, Community and Voluntary Sector Team

0115 97 73415

Constitutional Comments (NAB 25.11.13)

Grant Aid Sub-Committee has authority to consider and approve the recommendations set out in this report by virtue of its terms of reference.

Financial Comments (SEM 25/11/13)

The financial implications are set out in the report.

Background Papers and Published Documents

Except for previously published documents, which will be available elsewhere, the documents listed here will be available for inspection in accordance with Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972.

Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected

ALL

Appendix 1.

Grant Aid to Advice and Guidance Organisations.

Organisation	Approved 2012/13	Approved 2013/14	Recommended 2014/15
Collingham Rural Advice and Resource Centre	£10,000	£10,000	£8,924
Cotgrave Advice Centre	£4,000	£4,000	£3,570
Mansfield Welfare Rights	£1,000	£1,000	£892
Radcliffe on Trent Advice Centre	£3,000	£3,000	£2,677
Disabilities Living Centre	£30,000	£30,000	£26,772
Disability Nottinghamshire	£40,000	£40,000	£35,696
ISAS – Incest & Sexual Abuse Survivors	£15,000	£15,000	£13,386
Nottingham Rape Crisis	£26,000	£26,000	£23,202

3 December 2013**Agenda Item: 7****REPORT OF CORPORATE DIRECTOR, POLICY, PLANNING AND
CORPORATE SERVICES****WORK PROGRAMME****Purpose of the Report**

1. To consider the Committee's work programme for 2013/14.

Information and Advice

2. The County Council requires each committee to maintain a work programme. The work programme will assist the management of the committee's agenda, the scheduling of the committee's business and forward planning. The work programme will be updated and reviewed at each pre-agenda meeting and committee meeting. Any member of the committee is able to suggest items for possible inclusion.
3. The attached work programme has been drafted in consultation with the Chairman and Vice-Chairman, and includes items which can be anticipated at the present time. Other items will be added to the programme as they are identified.
4. As part of the transparency introduced by the new committee arrangements, committees are expected to review day to day operational decisions made by officers using their delegated powers. It is anticipated that the committee will wish to commission periodic reports on such decisions. The committee is therefore requested to identify activities on which it would like to receive reports for inclusion in the work programme. It may be that the presentations about activities in the committee's remit will help to inform this.

Other Options Considered

5. None.

Reason/s for Recommendation/s

6. To assist the committee in preparing its work programme.

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RECOMMENDATION/S

- 1) That the committee's work programme be noted, and consideration be given to any changes which the committee wishes to make.

Jayne Francis-Ward

Corporate Director, Policy, Planning and Corporate Services

For any enquiries about this report please contact: Democratic Services Officer -

Dawn Lawrence

Tel: 0115 977 3201

Constitutional Comments (SLB)

8. The Committee has authority to consider the matters set out in this report by virtue of its terms of reference.

Financial Comments (PS)

9. There are no financial implications arising directly from this report.

Background Papers

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GRANT AID SUB-COMMITTEE

WORK PROGRAMME

<u>Report Title</u>	<u>Brief summary of agenda item</u>	<u>For Decision or Information ?</u>	<u>Lead Officer</u>	<u>Report Author</u>
December 2013				
Presentation	Supporting mental health services	Information	Cathy Harvey	TBA
Community Resource Centres	A update on work with CRC's and proposal for lottery funding	Decision/Information	Cathy Harvey	Fiona Simpson
January 2014				
Infrastructure development	The direction of CVS/Infrastructure Service	Information	Cathy Harvey	Fiona Simpson
Grant Aid Strategy Review	A planned annual review of strategy	Decision/Information	Cathy Harvey	Paul Roberts
Arts and Sports	Allocation of funding	Decision	Sue Cullen	Kevin Tennar
Voluntary Sector Liaison Forum	Update on progress, roles and responsibilities	Decision/Information	Cathy Harvey	Cathy Harvey Fiona Simpson

Dates and Deadlines for Grant Aid Sub-Committee

<u>Report deadline</u>	<u>Date of pre-agenda</u>	<u>Agenda publication</u>	<u>Date of Committee</u>

*Early due to Bank Holidays