Summary of changes to Community Grants

The following 17 organisations have been receiving CGB funding for at least the last 8 years (level of grant shown in brackets is for 2002/03):

- Derby CVS (£93,160)*.
- Derby Racial Equality Council (£66,270)
- Play and Recycling Centre (£10,880)
- Derby Women's Centre (£38,270)
- Derbyshire Chinese Welfare Association (£3,370)
- Derby West Indian Community Association (£28,700)
- Business in the Community (£14,000)
- SUPORT (£31,730)
- Derby Furniture Project (£46,100)
- Communications Unlimited (£31,540)
- Derby Shopmobility (£21,540)
- Austin Community Enterprise (£3,090)
- Age Concern (£10,000)
- Derby Millennium Network (£46,000)
- Derby West Indian Association Credit Union (£5,530)
- Disability Direct (£15,000)
- Derby Community Accountancy Service (£18,000)

The following 13 organisations have had CGB funding stopped, or CGB funded services decommissioned, or responsibility has transferred to another department during the last 8 years (date decommissioned in brackets). This list does not include lunch clubs and social groups whose CGB funding is coming to an end in 2008/9, but which are being invited to reapply to the expanded Older and Disabled People's Groups small grants programme.

- Osmaston Community Association (2003)
- Derby Gypsy Liaison Group (2003)
- Derby Association of Community Partners (2004)
- DAHRTI (2004)
- DREC's Recial Harassment Advice and Support (2005)
- Asian Women's Training Association (2006)
- Derwent Stepping Stones Nursery and Training Centre (2007 moved to CYPD)
- Asian Over 60's Advice Service (2007)
- Oakleigh Craft Club (2007)
- Derby Community Transport (2008)
- Derwent Lunch Club (2008)
- Alternatives Employment Scheme (2008)
- Derbyshire Association for the Blind (2008)

The following CGB funded organisations moved from grant funding to a contract (start date of contract in brackets):

- Derby Citizens Advice Bureau (April 2008)
- Derby Law Centre (April 2008)
- Derbyshire Housing Aid (April 2008)

The following organisations that have had CGB funding reduced during the iast 8 years (year of reduction in brackets):

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- Derby West Indian Community Association (2003)
 - Derby Association of Community Partners (2003)
 - DAHRTI (2003)
 - Derwent Stepping Stones (2003)
 - Business in the Community (2003)
 - Derby Furniture Project (2003)
 - Derby Shopmobility (2003)
 - Derby Racial Equality Council (2008)

New organisations accessing CGB in last 8 years (year in brackets when first accessed). 24 out of the 29 listed below were transferred from the former Social Services Department (SSD) in 2007:

- Derbyshire Community Foundation (2003)
- Derbyshire Housing Aid (2003)
- Asian Advisory Service (2003)
- Derbyshire Association for the Blind (2004)
- Alternatives Employment Scheme (2005)
- Asian Over 60's Lunch Club (2007 previously SSD funded)
- Asian Over 60's Advice Service (2007 previously SSD funded)
- Asian Women's Day Service (Milap) (2007 previously SSD funded)
- Asian Women's Lunch Club (2007 previously SSD funded)
- Chaddesden Age Concern (2007 previously SSD funded)
- Chester Green Monday Lunch Club (2007 previously SSD funded)
- Derby African Association (2007 previously SSD funded)
- Derby Clothing Store (2007 previously SSD funded)
- Derby Community Transport (2007 previously SSD funded)
- Derby CVS Volunteer Centre (2007 previously SSD funded)
- Derby Minority Senior Citizens Mens lunch club (2007 previously SSD funded)
- Derby Minority Senior Citizens Ladies lunch club (2007 previously SSD funded)
- Derwent Lunch Club (2007 previously SSD funded)
- Derwent Social Club (2007 previously SSD funded)
- Geeta Bhavan Hindu Temple Lunch Club (2007 previously SSD funded)
- Indian Community Centre Lunch Club (2007 previously SSD funded)
- Indian Community Luncheon Club (2007 previously SSD funded)
- Oakleigh Craft Club (2007 previously SSD funded)
- Opieka (2007 previously SSD funded)
- Relate Derby and Southern Derbyshire (2007 previously SSD funded)
- Samaritans (2007 previously SSD funded)
- Sinfin and Stenson Fields Asian Over 60's (2007 previously SSD funded)
- Southern Derbyshire Pensioners Association (2007 previously SSD funded)
- Ukrainian Day Centre (2007 previously SSD funded)

New grant funding opportunities have been created for 2009/10 to support the following identified priorities. Applications will be invited for these new grant opportunities early in 2009/10:

- New and emerging communities (£20,000 in total for this and LGBT groups)
- LGBT groups
- Older and Disabled People's Groups programme expanded (from £8,000 to £50,000)

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General notes

- Organisations which transferred to CGB in 2007 from the former Social Services Department came across with only 50% of the funding, owing to severe budgetary pressures in the Council. The shortfall was secured through NRF funding, but this has been tapered over the past two years and 2009/10 will be the final year of NRF match funding for CGB.
- No inflationary rise between 2002/03 and 2003/04.
- In 2004 we started awarding 3 year funding agreements, in accordance with best practice guidance and Compact commitments.
- Between 2004/05 and 2005/06 only 3 year funded organisations received inflation, 1 year funded organisations did not receive an inflationary increase.
- Inflation not passed on for 2006/07.
- Inflation was given in 2007/08.
- Older and Disabled Peoples Grants (ODPG) programme for small grants was transferred from ASS to CGB in 2007. These small grants are not included in the above fist, which includes only mainstream CGB funded organisations.
- Inflation was given in 2008/09 and 2009/10.
- All lunch and social clubs will no longer be funded under the main CGB programme from 2009/10 and have been invited to apply for ODPG funding from 2009 onwards (this is still part of the overall budget for CGB).
- Please note that all the above is based on information contained in Cabinet Reports and files held within the Voluntary Sector Team and is accurate to the best of our knowledge.

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Report of the Director of Corporate and Adult Services

Corporate and Adult Services Voluntary and Community Sector Grant Funding for 2009/10

SUMMARY

1.1 This report sets out Corporate and Adult Services grant funding, from the Community Grants Budget (CGB), Adult Social Services and joint funding with partner agencies, to be provided to voluntary and community sector organisations in 2009/10.

RECOMMENDATION

- 2.1 To approve the proposed grant funding allocations for Corporate and Adult Services, set out in Appendix 2 of this report, subject to the final decision on the revenue budget made by Council.
- 2.2 To provide an inflationary increase of 2.5% across all Council grant funding.
- 2.3 To advertise new grant funding opportunities to meet the day support needs of older people from the Indian community and to address the other identified gaps in grant funded support.
- 2.4 To extend the Older and Disabled People's Groups programme for small grants, which aim to reduce social isolation and promote well-being.
- 2.5 To approve the changes to joint funding arrangements set out in this report.

REASON FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 3.1 Voluntary and community sector grant funding plays a key role in supporting corporate priorities, strengthening communities and delivering preventative services to vulnerable people. Recommendations for changes to grant funding arrangements are based on the results of reviews, incorporating value for money considerations, strategic priorities and anticipated increases in demand for some grant funded services, as a consequence of the economic downturn.
- 3.2 The recommended inflationary increase has been considered carefully in consultation with NHS Derby City and takes into consideration affordability as well as recent and projected inflationary changes.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

1.1 This report sets out recommendations for Corporate and Adult Services grant funding, from the Community Grants Budget (CGB), Adult Social Services (ASS) and joint funding with partner agencies, to be provided to voluntary and community organisations in 2009/10.

1.2 **Derby Compact and principles of Voluntary and Community Sector funding**

The Council is committed to complying with the principles and commitments set out in the Compact and related Codes of Practice. In the case of multi-year funding agreements, the Council has undertaken to consult with voluntary sector organisations prior to any reduction in funding and also to provide a minimum of three months notice. The Council is also committed to taking a strategic approach to voluntary sector funding and to strengthening our joint commissioning arrangements with partner agencies, to ensure that voluntary sector funding is targeted as effectively as possible and delivers value for money for service users and communities.

- 1.3 A 2.5% inflationary increase is being recommended for all Council grant funding. For joint funding agreements where Derby City Council does not assume the lead responsibility for administering the funding, the inflationary increase is normally determined by the lead agency. The Council has been liaising with NHS Derby City with a view to awarding the same inflationary increase on grant funding. However, it is possible that some of the figures in Appendix 2 may need to be adjusted, once the inflationary increases of lead agencies have been confirmed.
- 1.4 In-depth reviews are undertaken with organisations in the final year of three year funding agreements. Each year, approximately one third of grant funded organisations undergo a final year review. These reviews have moved to a self-assessment model, providing an opportunity for funded organisations to assess their own performance. These reviews look at the governance and management of each organisation, the service provided under the funding agreement, the extent to which the intended outcomes have been achieved and how services meet strategic priorities. All services are also monitored on an ongoing basis and continued funding is dependent both on satisfactory outcomes from monitoring processes and on the outcomes of final year reviews.
- 1.5 The joint funding for Adult Social Services consists of commitments between Derby City Council and one or more partner agencies, principally NHS Derby City (Derby City Primary Care Trust). There are also some county-wide joint funding arrangements in place. All jointly funded services are subject to ongoing monitoring and a programme of final year reviews.

OUTSTANDING ISSUES FROM 2008/09 CABINET REPORT

1.6 Funding agreements for the following organisations were extended for one year only in 2008/09, to provide an opportunity to renegotiate service specifications and / or to work with organisations to address specific issues identified during final year reviews.

Alternatives Activity Centre - we are satisfied that the organisation is delivering a quality service, which meets the needs of its client group and that they are committed to modernising and developing their services, in line with the Learning Disability Modernisation Programme. Renewed three year funding is therefore recommended.

Padley Day Service - detailed work has been undertaken with the organisation, in partnership with NHS Derby City and Housing Services. We are satisfied with the progress made and recommend renewed three year funding, under a joint funding arrangement, with NHS Derby City acting as the lead agency and with the continued involvement of Housing Services, as the lead commissioner for the Council on homelessness. There is a possibility of securing additional funding on a short term basis, through LPSA2 reward money.

Ukrainian Day Service and **Opieka** - in consultation with NHS Derby City, it has been agreed that the issues identified during the final year reviews are being satisfactorily progressed. Derby CVS has been providing support to the two organisations. Renewed three year funding is recommended for both organisations, but with the funding reallocated to provide a more equitable split across the two organisations and communities. Revised service specifications will be needed, to give clarity as to costs, services and value for money. Following discussions with NHS Derby City, it is also recommended that the Council acts as the lead agency for both these joint funding agreements from 2009/10.

1.7 **Day support, luncheon clubs and social groups -** funding for day support services, luncheon clubs and social groups in 2008/09 was conditional upon organisations working towards applying a reasonable minimum level of service user contributions of £2.50 per person per day for services providing a main meal, or £1 per person per day for drop-in services or social groups. In the case of CGB funded luncheon clubs and social groups, funding agreements were extended for one year only and the groups had the option of either raising service user contributions or increasing their income from other sources, to move them towards sustainability. A resource pack was made available and training was offered to CGB funded luncheon clubs and social groups. This training was delivered in partnership with Derby CVS.

OLDER AND DISABLED PEOPLE'S GROUPS GRANTS

1.8 The Older and Disabled People's Groups funding programme assists with revenue costs associated with providing activities and services for older or disabled people, with low level social care needs. The primary purpose of these small grants is to support voluntary and community groups, by assisting them to provide early intervention services, which reduce social isolation, promote well-being and prevent or delay the need for higher level social care interventions.

For several years, the budget for this grant funding programme has remained static, at £8,000 per annum. These grants provide excellent value for money, where a combination of Council grant funding, service user contributions and fundraising activities enables the groups to be sustainable. There is no difference between the type of support provided by CGB funded luncheon clubs and social groups and the support offered by organisations funded through the Older and Disabled People's Groups programme.

It is recommended that the Older and Disabled People's Groups programme is extended in 2009/10, increasing the maximum grant payable from £500 to £4,000 per annum and the overall budget from £8,000 to £50,000. It is also recommended that grants should be awarded for a three year term, instead of the current annual awards. This is in accordance with the Compact commitment to move to three year grant funding arrangements as standard. These small grants will continue to be subject to a lighter touch monitoring process, appropriate to the level of funding.

Voluntary organisations which have previously received CGB funding for luncheon clubs and social groups will be eligible to apply to this expanded Older and Disabled People's Groups programme. With the increased service user contributions, the maximum grant payable should be sufficient to make these groups sustainable. The criteria will be reviewed and grants will be awarded on the basis of quality and value for money.

It is recommended that the existing small CGB grant to Derbyshire Community Foundation, an independent body which administers grant funding, should be used to support the administration of the Older and Disabled People's Groups programme. This will provide independent input and expertise on the Appraisal Panel for these small grants - see also 1.17, below.

RECOMMENDATIONS FOLLOWING FINAL YEAR REVIEWS

- 1.9 Final year reviews were undertaken with 17 organisations during 2008/9. These organisations are listed below, together with a brief summary of each of the recommendations from the reviews.
- 1.10 **Age Concern Derby and Derbyshire** CGB and ASS funding to be rolled into one three year funding agreement, with two service specifications. The advocacy service specification will need to be revised. NHS Derby City has been approached with a view to securing match funding.
- 1.11 **Derbyshire Advocacy Service** funding from DCC and NHS Derby City to be rolled into one funding agreement to simplify administration, with DCC acting as the lead commissioner.
- 1.12 **Derbyshire Carers Association** funding from DCC and NHS Derby City to be rolled into one funding agreement, with separate service specifications, containing greater clarity as to roles and funded posts.
- 1.13 **Headway** following discussions with NHS Derby City, it is recommended that the joint funding with health and the separate NHS Derby City funding for the BME project is rolled into one agreement, with NHS Derby City acting as the lead agency.
- 1.14 **MHA Care Live at Home Project** there is a lack of co-ordination between the various schemes in the city and a lack of consistency concerning service user contributions. The targeting of services and resources across the city as well as the staffing structure needs further discussion and negotiation. The recommendation is to roll over the funding for one year, pending these negotiations. Following discussions with NHS Derby City, it is also recommended that the Council takes over as the lead agency and paying body.
- 1.15 **Business in the Community -** recommendation to renew funding for a further 3 year period.
- 1.16 **Derby Community Accountancy Service** this service provides good value for money and is recommended for a further three year term.

- 1.17 **Derbyshire Community Foundation** at present, this small grant is a notional contribution to the Chief Executive's salary. It is proposed that the purpose of the funding is redefined to provide administrative support for the Older and Disabled People's Groups funding programme (see 1.8, above). The organisation is amenable to this proposal, which would give DCC a tangible outcome for the funding and would help to align the Older and Disabled People's Groups programme with other small grant funding programmes across the city, particularly the Grassroots Grants programme, ensuring that they complement each other, rather than duplicate.
- 1.18 **Asian Advisory Service -** renewed three year funding is recommended, with a revised funding agreement focused on supporting people from new and emerging communities, promoting community cohesion and citizenship and meeting language needs.
- 1.19 **Disability Direct** it is recommended that CGB, ASS and joint funding with NHS Derby City are rolled into one three year funding agreement, with separate service specifications and with the Council acting as the lead agency and paying body. Funding for advice is to be focussed on disability casework and Disability Discrimination Act advice on goods and services. A referral protocol with the Community Legal Advice Centre (CLAC) will need to be implemented.
- 1.20 **SUPORT -** this Sinfin based organisation has been operating as a social enterprise for many years and has the potential to generate more of its own income. A three year agreement is recommended, but this is conditional upon an income generation plan being produced in the first half of 2009/10, setting out how the organisation will move towards a position where it is less dependent on grant funding by the end of the three year term. The objective is to free up resources in future years to reinvest in other social enterprise activity elsewhere in the city.
- 1.21 West Indian Credit Union the common bond for the credit union is membership of the West Indian Community Association (WICA). This creates a barrier for new members who either cannot afford, or do not wish, to join WICA. The organisation itself has been considering whether to widen its common bond. The current recession is likely to increase the need for this service. However, it will only be justifiable to continue supporting the organisation financially if it changes its common bond to make it more accessible to the wider community. Renewed three year funding is recommended, but this is conditional upon the organisation widening its common bond during year 1 of the funding agreement, as a minimum to include all Normanton residents, or alternatively to make it city-wide. The organisation will be encouraged to approach the more recently established city wide credit union, with a view to reaching agreement as to how their services can best support the needs of the community.
- 1.22 West Indian Community Association renewed three year funding is recommended, with a revised service specification and new output and outcome measures.

- 1.23 **Chinese Welfare Association -** the Chinese community is widely dispersed across the city and members of the community use the organisation as a central hub. The final year review process identified needs which are largely invisible to statutory services. First generation members of the community, who have language barriers, can be particularly isolated and excluded from mainstream services. Continued three year funding is recommended, aimed at reducing social isolation and removing barriers to accessing services. The organisation will be encouraged to apply for an Older and Disabled People's Groups grant, to help reduce social isolation amongst older members of the Chinese community.
- 1.24 **Derwent Social Club** this is a very small grant of £1,344, for a group of people with learning disabilities. The group would meet the criteria for the Older and Disabled People's Groups programme. It is recommended that the CGB funding is not renewed, but that the group is invited to apply to the Older and Disabled People's Groups programme, which is subject to a lighter touch monitoring process.
- 1.25 **Relate** renewed three year funding is recommended, but subject to increasing access to the service by people from minority ethnic communities. The organisation also needs to be proactive in publicising the fact that it is not just for married, heterosexual couples, but for all members of the community. Expectations concerning contributions / fees need to be explained at the outset and the availability of its bursary scheme needs to be published.
- 1.26 **Derby CVS** renewed three year funding is recommended, but rolling the CGB, ASS and joint funding agreement with NHS Derby City into one, to simplify administration, with separate service specifications where needed. It is recommended that the Council, as the larger contributor, takes on the role of the lead agency. Work will need to be undertaken to develop improved outcome measures, to ensure that the impact of services is fully captured.
- 1.27 **Derby Millennium Network** it is recommended that the funding agreement with DMN is rolled over for one year, to allow time to undertake a detailed review of the organisation and its services, in partnership with NHS Derby City.

NEW GRANT FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES – ADULT SOCIAL SERVICES

1.28 Indian Community Day Support

A consultation exercise is being undertaken in partnership with Derby Racial Equality Council to identify the day support needs of older people from the Indian community, in the context of developing a more person-centred approach to older people's services. It is recommended that a sum of £60,000 is set aside in the 2009/10 budget to address the needs of older people with a low to moderate level of risk to their independence. A service specification will be drawn up, based on the findings from the consultation exercise and a new funding opportunity will be advertised, to commence as early as possible in the 2009/10 financial year. Funding applications will initially be appraised by Council officers. It is recommended that the final decision as to the chosen service provider is delegated to the Cabinet Member.

1.29 Carers' services and dementia services

Carers Grant Funding - although it is no longer ring-fenced, the Carers Grant is still targeted on carers support. A panel meets to make recommendations on Carers Grant funding for holiday grants and a range of other breaks and services for carers.

Alzheimers Disease Society – funding for carers' breaks is currently paid to this organisation, which in turn purchases the service from Crossroads. Following discussions with both organisations, it is recommended that this funding should be paid directly to Crossroads.

It has been identified that there are currently insufficient resources to support carers and people with dementia. It is therefore recommended that a sum of $\pounds 20,000$ is set aside in the 2009/10 budget as part of a wider strategy to help address these needs.

GRANT FUNDING PRIORITIES – CGB

- 1.30 In the 2008/9 Cabinet Report, two priorities for new CGB grant funding were identified, where CGB funding needs to do more to address inequality and discrimination. It is therefore recommended that a sum of £20,000 is set aside in the 2009/10 budget to begin to target the following identified gaps in provision, at 1.31 and 1.32.
- 1.31 **New and emerging communities** there is at present very little grant funding available to target the support needs of emerging and smaller ethnic minority communities in Derby. It is recommended that the recent 'Derby Population Migration and Community Profile', produced by the Community Safety Partnership, is used as a starting point to prioritise these needs. The Community Safety Partnership will be asked to assist with the appraisal of new grant funding applications, to ensure a joined up approach, aimed at promoting community cohesion, social inclusion and improving access to mainstream services. Equalities monitoring for grant funded services will also be improved, to provide more accurate data as to how emerging communities are currently being supported through existing grant funding arrangements.
- 1.32 **Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender communities** there is currently no designated funding to address support needs and tackle discrimination for people who are Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual or Transgender. It is therefore recommended that projects aimed at addressing these needs are invited to apply for funding during 2009/10. Improvements to equalities monitoring should also help to identify how grant funded services are currently supporting LGB&T people. Work will be undertaken during 2009/10 to identify the needs of LGB&T people and a dialogue will be needed with partner agencies and LGB&T groups to help inform future commissioning intentions.

OTHER CHANGES TO JOINT FUNDING ARRANGEMENTS

1.33 **Derbyshire MIND Rosehill Club** - a new day service for people with mental health problems is currently being commissioned and should commence during 2009/10. The service is being procured through a competitive tendering process and Derbyshire MIND has the opportunity to bid for increased funding to deliver a modernised day service under a contractual arrangement. It will be important to ensure a smooth transition to the new service. A minimum of three months formal notice will be needed to bring the current joint funding agreement for the Rosehill Club to an end. This does not affect the grant funding for MIND's advocacy service.

Derbyshire MIND Advocacy Service - it is recommended that the funding agreement for the advocacy service is rolled over for one year, pending detailed negotiations aimed at ensuring value for money.

1.34 **Derbyshire Association for the Blind** - it is recommended that the ASS grant funding agreements with Derbyshire Association for the Blind and the joint funding with NHS Derby City are rolled into one, with the Council taking on the role of lead agency and paying body. This has been discussed with NHS Derby City.

OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

4. None.

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IMPLICATIONS

Financial

- 1.1 The full cost of the services listed in Appendix 2 can be met within the grant funding budgets for Corporate and Adult Services, subject to the final decision on the revenue budget made by Council and the availability of £24,839 transitional Neighbourhood Renewal Fund (NRF) money. Transitional NRF monies are being made available as match funding for the Community Grants Budget (CGB) on a tapered basis: 75% of the original allocation was provided in 2008/9, 30% will be available in 2009/10 and nil in 2010/11.
- 1.2 It is possible that a few very minor cost pressures may arise for jointly funded services, where partner organisations act as the lead agency, in the unlikely event that they award a different inflationary increase, following dialogue and awareness of our intentions.
- 1.3 Payment of the approved funding will be subject to compliance with Funding Agreements.

Legal

- 2.1 Powers to provide funding in the above circumstances are granted under the National Assistance Act 1948, the Health Services and Public Health Act 1968 and the National Health Services Act 1977.
- 2.2 Each organisation receiving a grant will be required to enter into a Funding Agreement with the Council.

Personnel

3. There are no personnel implications for the Council. However, there may be some personnel issues in the Voluntary and Community Sector, arising from changes to grant funding allocations and service specifications for some grant funded services.

Equalities impact

- 4.1 The services and activities of the organisations named in this report support all communities, in particular people from minority ethnic communities, adults with physical disabilities and sensory impairment, older people, people with learning disabilities and people with mental health problems.
- 4.2 The Equality Impact Assessment undertaken last year is being reviewed. All the recommended actions have either been completed, or are being progressed. The recommendations for increased grant funding in this report aim to address identified gaps in provision, to target specific areas of inequality and disadvantage.

- 4.3 Grant funding aims to support all strands of equality and all communities and groups in Derby. All funded organisations are required to implement equal opportunities policies. Monitoring forms have been revised during 2008/9 to give more accurate equalities information, to identify whether funded organisations are reaching all sections of the community, under each of the equality 'strands' age, disability, race, faith, gender, sexual orientation and language. This includes capturing data as to how funded services are being accessed by recent arrivals from BME, refugee / asylum seeker and migrant worker communities.
- 4.4 Funded organisations will be consulted on these new monitoring forms with a view to implementing them during 2009/10. A flexible, proportionate approach will be needed, reflecting the size of organisations and the levels of funding involved.

Corporate objectives and priorities for change

5. This accords with the Council's objectives of promoting strong and positive communities and protecting and supporting people.

Summary of changes to levels of grant funding

Appendix 2

Organisation Name	Final year review undertaken / due	Total funding 2008/9	Total funding 2009/10 (with 2.5% inflation)	Comments where funding has changed or where changes are proposed
Age Concern Derby and Derbyshire	2008	£25,441	£26,077	
Alternatives Activity Centre	2007	£63,177	£64,756	
Asian Advisory Service	2008	£5,385	£5,520	
Asian Over 60s Lunch Clubs and Drop-in	2007	£11,428	-	To be invited to apply for continued funding through the Older and Disabled Peoples Groups Programme
Asian Women's Day Service (Milap)	2007	£6,557	-	To be invited to apply for continued funding through the Older and Disabled Peoples Groups Programme
Asian Women's Luncheon Club	2007	£3,129	-	To be invited to apply for continued funding through the Older and Disabled Peoples Groups Programme
Austin Community Enterprise Ltd	2009	£4,851	£4,972	
Business in the Community	2008	£11,062	£11,339	
CamTAD	2009	£27,987	£28,687	
Chaddesden Age Concern	2007	£2,944	-	To be invited to apply for continued funding through the Older and Disabled Peoples Groups Programme
Chester Green Monday Lunch Club	2007	£1,904	-	To be invited to apply for continued funding through the Older and Disabled Peoples Groups Programme
Communication Unlimited	2007	£34,794	£35,664	
Derby African Association	2007	£3,097	-	To be invited to apply for continued funding through the Older and Disabled Peoples Groups Programme
Derby and South Derbyshire Crossroads	2009	£26,413	£27,073	
Derby Community Accountancy Service	2008	£19,906	£20,404	

Organisation Name	Final year review undertaken / due	Total funding 2008/9	Total funding 2009/10 (with 2.5% inflation)	Comments where funding has changed or where changes are proposed
Derby CVS (including Volunteer Centre)	2008	£179,880	£184,377	
Derby Furniture Project (including Clothing Store)	2007	£51,007	£52,282	
Derby Millennium Network	2009	£68,416	£70,127	
Derby Minority Senior Citizens	2007	£8,584	-	The ladies luncheon club has not been operating during 2008/9. An additional sum of £4,777 would have been available. To be invited to apply for continued funding through the Older and Disabled Peoples Groups Programme for 2009/10.
Derby Racial Equality Council	2007	£66,160	£60,639	The reduction is the full year effect of the drop in CGB funding, approved and implemented during 2008/9.
Derby Shopmobility	2009	£18,986	£19,461	
Derby West Indian Association Credit Union	2008	£5,960	£6,109	
Derby West Indian Community Association	2008	£25,845	£26,491	
Derby Women's Centre	2007	£42,430	£43,491	
Derbyshire Advocacy Service	2008	£11,547	£11,836	
Derbyshire Appropriate Adult Scheme	2007	£23,564	£24,153	
Derbyshire Association for the Blind	2007	£21,633	£19,125	The reduction is the full year effect of the CGB element of the funding ending, This was approved and implemented during 2008/9.
Derbyshire Carers Association	2008	£35,439	£36,325	

Organisation Name	Final year review undertaken / due	Total funding 2008/9	Total funding 2009/10 (with 2.5% inflation)	Comments where funding has changed or where changes are proposed
Derbyshire Chinese Welfare Association	2008	£3,638	£3,729	
Derbyshire Community Foundation	2008	£2,770	£2,839	
Derbyshire MIND – Advocacy Service	2009	£49,841	£51,087	
Derbyshire MIND – Rosehill Club	N/A	£60,379	£61,888	A minimum of three months formal notice will be given when the day service is procured.
Derwent Luncheon Club	2007	£634	-	This service ceased operating during 2008/9.
Derwent Social Club	2008	£1,371	-	To be invited to apply for continued funding through the Older and Disabled Peoples Groups Programme
Disability Direct	2008	£70,105	£71,857	
Geeta Bhavan Hindu Temple Luncheon Club	2007	£2,031	-	To be invited to apply for continued funding through the Older and Disabled Peoples Groups Programme
Hadhari	2007	£30,653	£31,419	
Headway	2008	£10,455	£10,716	
Indian Community Centre Luncheon Club	2007	£2,417	-	To be invited to apply for continued funding through the Older and Disabled Peoples Groups Programme
Indian Community Luncheon Club	2007	£4,316	-	To be invited to apply for continued funding through the Older and Disabled Peoples Groups Programme
MHA Care Group - Live at Home Schemes	2009	£66,634	£68,300	
Opieka	2007	£17,294	£17,526	Funding for this group and for the Ukrainian Day Centre is being reallocated to give an equitable split between the two communities.
Padley Day Service	2007	£18,227	£18,683	
Padley Development Centre	2007	£66,741	£68,410	

Organisation Name	Final year review undertaken / due	Total funding 2008/9	Total funding 2009/10 (with 2.5% inflation)	Comments where funding has changed or where changes are proposed
Play & Recycling Centre	2009	£11,720	£12,013	
Relate	2008	£12,810	£13,130	
Sahahra	2007	£60,494	£62,006	
Samaritans	2009	£634	£650	
Sinfin and Stenson Fields Asian Over 60's	2007	£4,491	-	To be invited to apply for continued funding through the Older and Disabled Peoples Groups Programme
Southern Derbyshire Pensioners Association	2007	£9,607	£9,847	
SUPORT Ltd	2008	£34,177	£35,031	
Ukrainian Day Centre	2007	£16,902	£17,526	Funding for this group and Opieka is being reallocated to give an equitable split between the two communities.
Older and Disabled Peoples Grants	N/A	£8,000	£50,000	These were previously annual grant allocations and are non-key decisions.
New ASS grant funding opportunities	N/A	N/A	£20,000	
Indian Day Support	N/A	N/A	£60,000	
New CGB grant funding opportuntiies	N/A	N/A	£20,000	
TOTAL		£1,373,867	£1,485,565	

Notes:

- There were a few services which did not operate during some or all of 2008/09, therefore the total grant funding
 actually paid to these voluntary sector organisations during 2007/8 was slightly less than the figure given in last year's
 Cabinet Report.
- Carers Grants have not been included in the above figures. The same inflationary rate will apply as for other grant funding – see Appendix 3.

Voluntary Sector Grant Funding Sources 2009/10 – Corporate and Adult Services

Appendix 3

Organisation Name	Recommended Community Grants Budget 2009/10	Recommended Adult Social Services Mainstream 2009/10	Recommended Carers Grants 2009/10	Total Joint Funding 2009/10 (allowing 2.5% for inflation)	Recommended Adult Social Services Joint Funding Contribution 2009/10	Partner Agencies
Age Concern Derby and Derbyshire	-	-	-	-	£26,077	-
Alternatives Activity Centre	-	£64,756	-	-	-	-
CamTAD	-	£13,569	-	£57,694	£15,118	Derby City Council, Derby City PCT, Derbyshire County Council, Derbyshire County PCT
Derby CVS (including Volunteer Centre)	£130,080	-	-	£205,747	£54,297	Derby City Council, Derby City PCT
Derbyshire MIND – Advocacy Service	-	-	-	£150,345	£51,087	Derby City Council, Derby City PCT
Derbyshire MIND – Rosehill Club	-	-	-	£182,128 (N.B. this figure is expected to increase when contracted)	£61,888	Derby City Council, Derby City PCT

Organisation Name	Recommended Community Grants Budget 2009/10	Recommended Adult Social Services Mainstream 2009/10	Recommended Carers Grants 2009/10	Total Joint Funding 2009/10 (allowing 2.5% for inflation)	Recommended Adult Social Services Joint Funding Contribution 2009/10	Partner Agencies
Derbyshire Association for the Blind	-	-	-	£28,278	£19,125	Derby City Council, Derby City PCT
Derbyshire Carers Association	-	-	£35,432 for holidays + £19,510 for emergency scheme = £54,942	£80,588	£36,325	Derby City Council, Derby City PCT
Derbyshire Mental Health Carers Forum	-	-	£9,409	-	-	-
Derby Millennium Network	£52,147	-	-	£35,494	£17,980	Derby City Council, Derby City PCT
Derby and South Derbyshire Crossroads	-	£27,073	£10,737	-	-	-
Derbyshire Appropriate Adult Scheme	-	-	-	£91,717	£24,153	Derby City Council, Derbyshire County Council, Derbyshire Constabulary
Derbyshire Advocacy Service	-	-	-	£31,968	£11,836	Derby City Council, Derby City PCT
Disability Direct	£20,432	-	-	£61,430	£51,425	Derby City Council, Derby City PCT
Hadhari	-	£31,419	-	-	-	-

Organisation Name	Recommended Community Grants Budget 2009/10	Recommended Adult Social Services Mainstream 2009/10	Recommended Carers Grants 2009/10	Total Joint Funding 2009/10 (allowing 2.5% for inflation)	Recommended Adult Social Services Joint Funding Contribution 2009/10	Partner Agencies
Headway	-	-	-	£21,433 (+ PCT funding for BME service)	£10,716	Derby City Council, Derby City PCT
MHA Care Group - Live at Home Schemes	-	-	-	£78,975	£68,300	Derby City Council, Derby City PCT
Opieka	-	-	-	£27,063	£17,526	Derby City Council, Derby City PCT
Padley Development Centre	-	-	-	£76,543	£68,410	Derby City Council, Derby City PCT
Padley Day Service	-	-	-	£54,469	£18,683	Derby City Council, Derby City PCT
Sahahra	-	£62,006	-	-	-	-
Ukrainian Day Centre	-	-	-	£27,063	£17,526	Derby City Council, Derby City PCT
Asian Advisory Service	£5,520	-	-	-	-	-
Austin Community Enterprise Ltd	£4,972	-	-	-	-	-

Organisation Name	Recommended Community Grants Budget 2009/10	Recommended Adult Social Services Mainstream 2009/10	Recommended Carers Grants 2009/10	Total Joint Funding 2009 /10(allowing 2.5% for inflation)	Recommended Adult Social Services Joint Funding Contribution 2009/10	Partner Agencies
Business in the Community	£11,339	-	-	-	-	-
Communication Unlimited	£35,664	-	-	-	-	-
Derby Community Accountancy Service	£20,404	-	-	-	-	-
Derby Furniture Project (including Clothing Store)	£52,282	-	-	-	-	-
Derby Racial Equality Council	£60,639	-	-	-	-	-
Derby Shopmobility	£19,461	-	-	-	-	-
Derby West Indian Association Credit Union Ltd	£6,109	-	-	-	-	-

Organisation Name	Recommended Community Grants Budget 2009/10	Recommended Adult Social Services Mainstream 2009/10	Recommended Carers Grants 2009/10	Total Joint Funding 2009/10 (allowing 2.5% for inflation)	Recommended Adult Social Services Joint Funding Contribution 2009/10	Partner Agencies
Derby West Indian Community Association	£26,491	-	-	-	-	-
Derby Women's Centre	£43,491	-	-	-	-	-
Derbyshire Chinese Welfare Association	£3,729	-	-	-	-	-
Derbyshire Community Foundation	£2,839	-	-	-	-	-
Play & Recycling Centre	£12,013	-	-	-	-	-
Relate Derby and Southern Derbyshire	£13,130	-	-	-	-	-
Samaritans	£650	-	-	-	-	-
Southern Derbyshire Pensioners Association	£9,847	-	-	-	-	-

Organisation Name	Recommended Community Grants Budget 2009/10	Recommended Adult Social Services Mainstream 2009/10	Recommended Carers Grants 2009/10	Total Joint Funding 2009/10 (allowing 2.5% for inflation)	Recommended Adult Social Services Joint Funding Contribution 2009/10	Partner Agencies
SUPORT Ltd	£35,031	-	-	-	-	-
Older and Disabled People's Grants	£50,000	-	-	-	-	-
Carer and dementia services	-	£20,000	-	-	-	-
Indian Community Day Support	-	£60,000	-	-	-	-
New communities and LGB&T communities	£20,000					
TOTAL	£636,270	£278,823	£75,088	£1,210,935	£570,472	-



Cabinet Member for Adult Services

Corporate and Adult Services Voluntary and Community Sector Grant Funding for 2008/9

SUMMARY

- 1.1 This report sets out Corporate and Adult Services grant funding, from the Community Grants Budget, Adult Social Services and joint funding with partner agencies, to be provided to Voluntary and Community Sector organisations in 2008/2009.
- 1.2 Subject to any issues raised at the meeting, I support the following recommendation.

RECOMMENDATION

- 2.1 To approve the proposed grant funding allocations for Corporate and Adult Services, set out in Appendix 2 of the report, subject to the final decision on the revenue budget made by Council.
- 2.2 To approve the transitional arrangements arising from the loss of Neighbourhood Renewal Fund NRF monies, identified in the main body of this report.
- 2.3 To approve the recommendation to work with Indian voluntary & Community Sector organisations and the Indian community to identify day service needs.
- 2.4 To note the other identified priorities for future funding from the Community Grants Budget CGB.

REASON FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

3.1 An inflationary increase of 2% is being recommended for all Council grant funding. Voluntary and Community Sector grant funding continues to play a key role in supporting corporate priorities, strengthening communities and delivering preventative services to vulnerable people. Despite budgetary pressures faced by the Council, cost savings have therefore been kept to a minimum. Recommendations for changes to levels of grant funding are based on the results of in depth reviews, which considered both value for money and strategic priorities. In future, these reviews will move to a self-assessment model, to provide an opportunity for funded organisations to assess their own performance.

- 3.2 Transitional NRF monies will be made available on a tapered basis, 75% in 2008/9, 30% in 2009/10 and nil in 2010/11. The transitional arrangements detailed in this report will, where appropriate, allow organisations sufficient time to seek alternative sources of income, or identify other means of sustaining their activities.
- 3.3 There is a lack of culturally appropriate provision for older people from the Indian Community with a low to moderate risk of losing their independence. There are a number of lower level luncheon club services for the Indian community, but there is currently no provision for higher level needs.
- 3.4 An Equality Impact Assessment revealed specific areas where the Community Grants Budget programme is currently not providing funds to address inequality and discrimination. These gaps in provision will need to be addressed as and when opportunities arise to reinvest in new priorities.



COUNCIL CABINET 19 February 2008



Report of the Director of Corporate and Adult Social Services

Corporate and Adult Services Voluntary and Community Sector Grant Funding for 2008/9

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 1.1 This report sets out the recommendations for Corporate and Adult Services grant funding, from the Community Grants Budget, Adult Social Services and joint funding with partner agencies, to be provided to Voluntary and Community Sector organisations in 2008/09.
- 1.2 Corporate and Adult Services grant funding is normally subject to three year Funding Agreements. Following consultation with the Voluntary and Community Sector, a new process has been introduced, whereby in-depth reviews are undertaken with organisations in the final year of their Funding Agreements. These reviews look at the governance and management of each organisation, the service provided under the funding agreement, the extent to which the intended outcomes have been achieved and how services meet strategic priorities. All services are monitored and reviewed on an ongoing basis and continued funding is therefore dependent on satisfactory outcomes from monitoring processes, as well as on the outcomes of final year reviews.
- 1.3 The joint funding for Adult Social Services consists of commitments between Derby City Council and one or more partner agencies, including Derby City Primary Care Trust, Derbyshire County Primary Care Trust and Derbyshire County Council. The majority of these funding arrangements were first supported through the Joint Finance programme with Southern Derbyshire Health Authority. All jointly funded services are subject to ongoing monitoring and a programme of final year reviews. For some of these joint funding agreements, Derby City Council and Derby City PCT have agreed to enter into city wide, rather than county wide funding arrangements from 1 April 2008 (see Appendix 2 for details).
- 1.4 A 2% inflationary increase is being recommended for all Council grant funding. For joint funding agreements where Derby City Council does not assume the lead responsibility for administering the funding, the inflationary increase is determined by the lead agency. The Council has been liaising with Derby City Primary Care Trust with a view to awarding the same inflationary increase on grant funding. However, it is possible that some of the figures in Appendix 2 may need to be adjusted, once the inflationary increases of lead agencies have been determined.

1.5 **Compact and principles of Voluntary and Community Sector funding**

The Council is committed to complying with the principles and undertakings set out in the Compact and related Codes of Practice. In the case of multi-year funding agreements, the Council has undertaken to consult with Voluntary Sector Organisations prior to any reduction in funding and also to provide a minimum of 3 months notice. The Council is also committed to taking a strategic approach to Voluntary Sector funding and to strengthening our joint commissioning arrangements with partner agencies, to ensure that Voluntary Sector funding is targeted as effectively as possible and delivers Best Value for service users.

1.6 CGB review

A review was undertaken of CGB processes and the Voluntary and Community Sector was consulted about proposed changes over a twelve week period. The resulting changes to CGB processes were approved by Chief Officer Group on 5 September 2007. One of the aims of the review was to ensure that the Council's administrative processes were as efficient, effective and transparent as possible, whilst also supporting an appropriate balance between maintaining the sustainability of the sector and providing scope for meeting the changing needs and priorities of our communities.

An Equality Impact Assessment and an analysis of the funding for luncheon club provision formed part of this review. One of the changes to processes was the introduction of more in-depth reviews, to be undertaken in the final year of three year funding agreements. Final year reviews have been undertaken with approximately one third of CGB funded organisations. In future, these reviews will move to a selfassessment model, to provide funded organisations with the opportunity to assess their own performance.

1.7 Equality Impact Assessment and priorities for new CGB funding

CGB funding aims to support all six strands of equality through the requirement for all funded organisations to implement Equal Opportunities Policies. Most CGB funded organisations support people from all communities and groups in Derby. However, the Equality Impact Assessment revealed two main areas where the CGB programme is currently failing to address inequality and discrimination.

There is currently some CGB funding aimed at addressing issues of inequality, social exclusion and discrimination for settled BME communities, disabled people, older people and women. However, it is evident that the needs of new and emerging communities in Derby are not currently being adequately addressed through the CGB programme. The Equality Impact Assessment identified that the CGB programme also needs to promote the implementation of recent anti-discrimination legislation with respect to Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender (LGB&T) communities.

- Emergent Communities the Council needs to do more to support the developing voluntary and community sector within emerging communities. Equal opportunities monitoring also needs to be improved to capture how currently funded services are being accessed by recent arrivals from BME, refugee / asylum seeker and migrant worker communities.
- LGB&T Communities there is at present no CGB funding which specifically addresses Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender issues. There is little evidence of support to these communities through existing CGB funded organisations, as data on sexual orientation is not currently captured systematically. Where appropriate, equal opportunities monitoring needs to capture how currently funded services are being accessed by LGB&T communities.

As and when opportunities arise and funds can be reinvested in new priorities, the specific needs of new and emerging BME communities, and of LGB&T communities, should be addressed. This would assist in reducing inequality, tackling discrimination and promoting social integration for these communities.

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR CHANGES TO GRANT FUNDING ALLOCATIONS

1.8 Following final year reviews, a number of changes to current grant funding allocations are being recommended. This takes into consideration both value for money and changing priorities and patterns of need.

1.9 Reviews of CGB funded luncheon clubs and similar services

The reviews of luncheon clubs and similar services identified whether minimum standards and terms and conditions of funding were being met, whether services were delivering value for money and whether they were achieving the desired outcomes of reducing social isolation, strengthening communities and promoting independence and well being. The focus should not be on providing a meal as such, but on the desired outcomes for older people and for communities. The pattern and level of funding for these services has been largely historical and there is currently duplication and fragmentation of services.

There are comparable services in the city, which are sustainable without reliance on Council grant funding. Owing to the loss of transitional NRF funding, cost savings will need to be identified from CGB in 2008/9, 2009/10 and 2010/11. It is therefore recommended that all CGB funding agreements for luncheon clubs, social groups and drop-in services are extended for 1 year only, to allow these groups sufficient time to increase their income from other sources, in particular, by applying a reasonable minimum level of service user contributions. To assist in making these groups sustainable, a resource pack has been produced and the Council will liaise with Derby CVS and Derby Millennium Network regarding the support they can give to assist groups to make their services sustainable, without future reliance on Council grant funding.

A standard service specification will be drawn up for CGB funded luncheon clubs and drop-in services and progress will be monitored against the findings from the recent reviews. Payments will only made for the second half of 2008/9 subject to progress on minimum standards and conditions contained within the service specification. Some shortfalls have already been identified through the recent review process with organisations.

1.10 **Ukrainian Day Centre and Opieka** - the Ukrainian Day Centre is not in reality a day care service, but a luncheon club, which is significantly over-funded in comparison with other similar services. The reviews for both these organisations identified a number of similar issues, including concerns regarding the employment of staff, which will need to be addressed as a condition of future funding.

There are close links between these two organisations and the communities they serve. Opieka receives joint funding for a befriending service for both the Polish and Ukrainian communities. Both organisations receive CGB funding for luncheon clubs. All funding agreements for these organisations will need to be extended for one year only, to give the Council and the PCT time to discuss with these organisations how best to support the future needs of these communities.

- 1.11 **Derby Racial Equality Council** there is no longer a requirement for employment casework to be provided by this organisation, since this work will be delivered under contract by the Community Legal Advice Centre. Funding therefore needs to be refocused on new priorities, including a contribution towards the Racial Harassment Officer post. A revised service specification will need to be developed. There is also a particularly high level of funding provided to this organisation for back office functions, such as administration. The recommendation is therefore to reduce the overall level of funding and to refocus more of the available funding on front line services. Funding will need to continue at the current level for the first six months of 2008/9, to assist the organisation to manage this transition. The second six monthly payment will be reduced by £7,000 and the subsequent full year effect of this reduction will be £14,000 per annum.
- 1.12 **Derbyshire Association for the Blind** the CGB funding was previously for a personal assistant to the former Chief Executive, who was visually impaired. However, since the current Chief Executive is not visually impaired, there is insufficient justification for continuing to provide this funding through CGB. Six months notice will be given before this funding is withdrawn. Other grant funding from Adult Social Services for Derbyshire Association for the Blind will continue.
- 1.13 **Derby Community Transport Social Car Scheme** this scheme is no longer operating therefore notice has already been served that the funding for this service will come to an end on 31 March 2008. The organisation receives substantial alternative funding from the Council.
- 1.14 **Alternatives Activity Centre** a relatively small proportion of match funding for the Employment Scheme was awarded from CGB. The project was mostly funded through the European Social Fund and the Learning and Skills Council. This external funding will come to an end on 31 March 2008, therefore the organisation has been notified that the match funding from CGB will also end on 31 March. The organisation is currently awaiting the outcome of a bid for replacement funding for the Employment Scheme.

It is recommended that the Adult Social Services funding for the day service continues, although the service specification will need to be refocused, as the service needs to be more closely aligned with the modernisation of Learning Disability services. It is therefore recommended that the existing service specification is renegotiated for the 2008/9 financial year.

If, during this period, the service provided by Alternatives Activity Centre does not effectively complement in-house services and deliver against Valuing People priorities, a new service would need to be procured under a competitive tendering process, to deliver a service under contract. Alternatives Activity Centre would still have the opportunity to bid for the contract and would need to be provided with adequate notice to bring the current grant funding agreement to an end. However, the current recommendation is that the Adult Social Services funding agreement is extended for one year, with a revised service specification. 1.15 **Padley Group -** a review of the Padley Day Service for homeless people was undertaken jointly with Derby City Primary Care Trust, which funds the service under a separate funding agreement. This review identified a number of concerns regarding the operation and management of the service. Padley is currently involved in discussions with partner agencies concerning the future of this service and how it could complement the new Milestone House assessment centre. It is recommended that the funding for the Day Service is extended for one year, pending the outcome of these discussions and to enable a joint decision to be taken with the PCT.

The Development Centre services are completely separate from the Day Centre and provide therapeutic activities for people with learning disabilities. It is recommended that this funding should be renewed for a further three year period, under a revised service specification. However, there has also been additional funding for a woodwork project for people with physical disabilities, which is due to end on 31 March 2008. The intention was that this service would become self-sustaining, but additional time is needed for the organisation to identify an alternative means of continuing this project. It is therefore recommended that the funding for the woodwork project is extended for a further six month period, from 1 April 2008 to 30 September 2008.

1.16 **Sahahra -** the review of this service concluded that Sahahra is currently only able to offer its service to a relatively small number of older people from the Pakistani community. The service is suitable for older people who have been assessed as having a low to moderate risk of losing their independence. In order for the service to potentially reach more people and target its resources as effectively as possible, it is recommended that service user contributions should be increased so that they are comparable with other similar services. Assessment processes need to ensure that services are targeted where they are most needed.

1.17 Hadhari

A contract with Hadhari for a Supported Luncheon Club expired during the course of 2007/8 and a grant funding agreement was established for the remainder of the financial year. The service is comparable to the day service provided by Sahahra and is therefore more appropriately funded by means of a grant, rather than a contract. The service aims to meet the needs of older people from the African Caribbean community who have a low to moderate risk of losing their independence. A new service specification has been agreed and the recommendation is to fund this service on a standard three year funding agreement.

1.18 Indian Community Day Services

There is currently no service for the Indian community comparable to the above day services for the Pakistani community (Sahahra) and the African Caribbean community (Hadhari). There are numerous low level luncheon club services for the Indian community, but nothing for older people who are at a higher level of risk of losing their independence. Within the Indian community, care is often provided in extended families, therefore a service is needed which provides respite for carers, as well as supporting older people to maintain their independence. It is therefore recommended that officers work with Indian VCS organisations and the Indian community to identify the low to moderate day service needs of the community during the year. Following this, a service specification is drawn up and funding opportunities identified.

- 1.19 **MIND Rosehill Club** Derby City Primary Care Trust is the lead agency for this funding agreement and a new service specification has been developed for modernised day services for people with mental health problems, with a view to procuring a new service during 2008/9, to commence in 2009/10. It is intended that the service will be procured through a competitive tendering process and Derbyshire MIND will have the opportunity to bid for increased funding to deliver a modernised day service under contract. A minimum of three months formal notice would be needed to end the current grant funding agreement for the Rosehill Club. This does not affect the grant funding for the advocacy service.
- 1.20 **Carers Grant Funding** funding allocated to the Voluntary and Community Sector from the Carers Grant has not previously been included in Cabinet Reports on grant funding, since this was a separate, ring-fenced allocation from Central Government. However, the Carers Grant is no longer ring-fenced, therefore the decision-making process is now being brought into line with other Adult Social Services grant funding, to ensure a consistent approach. Although it is no longer ring-fenced, the Carers Grant is still targeted and in 2008/9 will form part of the Local Area Agreement.

A panel meets to make recommendations on Carers Grant funding for holiday grants and a range of other breaks and services for carers. There is one recommendation for a change to the current allocations, which are listed separately in Appendix 2. The change relates to a new service to be provided by Derbyshire Carers Association as part of Derby's New Deal for Carers Emergency Scheme for Unpaid Carers. Funding for this scheme became available as part of the Carers Grant with effect from 1st October 2007. The additional funding for Derbyshire Carers Association will ensure the provision of an emergency planning, information, signposting and support service for carers and will provide a key element of the new scheme for Derby.

OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

4. None.

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IMPLICATIONS

Financial

- 1.1 The full cost of the services listed in Appendix 2 can be met within the grant funding budgets for Corporate and Adult Services, subject to the availability of 75% of the 2007/8 NRF allocation and to the final decision on the revenue budget made by Council. However, some minor cost pressure may arise for jointly funded services, where partner organisations act as the lead agency, in the unlikely event that they award a different inflationary increase following dialogue with DCC and awareness of our intentions.
- 1.2 Payment of the approved funding will be subject to compliance with Funding Agreements.

Legal

- 2.1 Powers to provide funding in the above circumstances are granted under the National Assistance Act 1948, the Health Services and Public Health Act 1968 and the National Health Services Act 1977.
- 2.2 Each organisation receiving a grant will be required to enter into a Funding Agreement with the Council.

Personnel

3. There are no personnel implications for the Council. However, there may be some personnel issues in the Voluntary and Community Sector, arising from changes to grant funding allocations and service specifications for some grant funded services.

Equalities impact

4. The services and activities of the organisations named in this report support all communities, in particular people from BME communities, adults with physical disabilities and sensory impairment, older people, people with learning disabilities and people with mental health problems.

Corporate objectives and priorities for change

5. This accords with the Council's objective of promoting strong and positive communities and protecting and supporting people.

Summary of changes to levels of grant funding

Appendix 2

Organisation Name	Final year review undertaken	Total funding 2007/8	Total Funding 2008/9 pre inflation	Total proposed funding 2008/9 with 2% inflation	Comments where changes to funding are proposed
Age Concern Derby and Derbyshire	No	£24,942	£24,942	£25,441	
Alternatives Activity Centre	Yes	£77,026	£61,938	£63,177	Match funding for Employment Scheme ending – see 1.14.
Asian Advisory Service	No	£5,279	£5,279	£5,385	
Asian Over 60s Lunch Clubs and Drop-in	Yes	£11,204	£11,204	£11,428	
Asian Women's Day Service (Milap)	Yes	£6,428	£6,428	£6,557	
Asian Women's Luncheon Club	Yes	£3,068	£3,068	£3,129	
Austin Community Enterprise Ltd	No	£4,756	£4,756	£4,851	
Business in the Community	No	£10,845	£10,845	£11,062	
CamTAD	No	£27,438	£27,438	£27,987	
Chaddesden Age Concern	Yes	£2,886	£2,886	£2,944	
Chester Green Monday Lunch Club	Yes	£1,867	£1,867	£1,904	
Communication Unlimited	Yes	£34,112	£34,112	£34,794	
Derby African Association	Yes	£3,036	£3,036	£3,097	
Derby and South Derbyshire Crossroads	No	£25,895	£25,895	£26,413	
Derby Community Accountancy Service	No	£19,516	£19,516	£19,906	

Organisation Name	Final year review undertaken	Total funding 2007/8	Total Funding 2008/9 pre inflation	Total proposed funding 2008/9 with 2% inflation	Comments where changes to funding are proposed
Derby Community Transport	Yes	£8,091	£0.00	£0.00	This scheme is no longer operational – see 1.13
Derby CVS (including Volunteer Centre)	No	£176,353	£176,353	£179,880	
Derby Furniture Project (including Clothing Store)	Yes	£50,007	£50,007	£51,007	
Derby Millennium Network	No	£67,074	£67,074	£68,416	
Derby Minority Senior Citizens Ladies Luncheon Club	Yes	£4,683	£4,683	£4,777	
Derby Minority Senior Citizens Men's Luncheon Club	Yes	£8,416.00	£8,416	£8,584	
Derby Racial Equality Council	Yes	£71,863	£64,863	£66,160	Reduction after 6 months notice, as employment casework will be provided through the CLAC - see 1.11
Derby Shopmobility	No	£18,614	£18,614	£18,986	
Derby West Indian Association Credit Union Ltd	No	£5,843	£5,843	£5,960	
Derby West Indian Community Association	No	£25,338	£25,338.00	£25,845	
Derby Women's Centre	Yes	£41,598	£41,598	£42,430	
Derbyshire Advocacy Service	No	£11,321	£11,321	£11,547	
Derbyshire Appropriate Adult Scheme	Yes	£23,102	£23,102	£23,564	

Organisation Name	Final year review undertaken	Total funding 2007/8	Total Funding 2008/9 pre inflation	Total proposed funding 2008/9 with 2% inflation	Comments where changes to funding are proposed
Derbyshire Association for the Blind	Yes	£24,125	£21,209	£21,633	Funding for personal assistant to be withdrawn after 6 months notice – see 1.12
Derbyshire Carers Association	No	£34,744	£34,744	£35,439	
Derbyshire Chinese Welfare Association	No	£3,567	£3,567	£3,638	
Derbyshire Community Foundation	No	£2,716	£2,716	£2,770	
Derbyshire MIND – Advocacy Service	No	£48,864	£48,864	£49,841	
Derbyshire MIND – Rosehill Club	No	£59,195	£59,195	£60,379	
Derwent Luncheon Club	Yes	£622.00	£622	£634	
Derwent Social Club	No	£1,344	£1,344	£1,371	
Disability Direct	No	£68,731	£68,731	£70,105	
Geeta Bhavan Hindu Temple Luncheon Club	Yes	£1,991	£1,991	£2,031	
Hadhari	No	£30,052	£30,052	£30,653	Transferred from a contract to a grant during 2007/8 – see 1.17
Headway	No	£10,250	£10,250	£10,455	
Indian Community Centre Luncheon Club	Yes	£2,370	£2,370	£2,417	
Indian Community Luncheon Club	Yes	£4,231	£4,231	£4,316	
MHA Care Group - Live at Home Schemes	No	£65,328	£65,328	£66,634	

Organisation Name	Final year review undertaken	Total funding 2007/8	Total Funding 2008/9 pre inflation	Total proposed funding 2008/9 with 2% inflation	Comments where changes to funding are proposed
Opieka	Yes	£16,955	£16,955	£17,294	
Padley Day Service	Yes	£17,870	£17,870	£18,227	
Padley Development Centre	Yes	£65,432	£65,432	£66,741	
Padley Woodwork Project	No	£23,575	£11,788	£12,023	Extending funding for a further 6 months only – see 1.15
Play & Recycling Centre	No	£11,490	£11,490	£11,720	
Relate Derby and Southern Derbyshire	No	£12,559	£12,559	£12,810	
Sahahra	Yes	£59,308	£59,308	£60,494	
Samaritans	No	£622	£622	£634	
Sinfin and Stenson Fields Asian Over 60's	Yes	£4,403	£4,403	£4,491	
Southern Derbyshire Pensioners Association	Yes	£9,419	£9,419	£9,607	
SUPORT Ltd	No	£33,507	£33,507	£34,177	
Ukrainian Day Centre	Yes	£16,571	£16,571	£16,902	
Older and Disabled Peoples Grants	N/A	£8,000	£8,000	£8,000	These are small annual grant allocations, which are non-key decisions and inflation is not applied.
TOTAL		£1,408,442	£1,363,560	£1,390,667	

Notes:

- The above figures include CGB, Adult Social Services grant funding and the Council's contributions to Joint Funding, but do not include Carers Grants, which were subject to a different process in 2007/8.
- Former grant funding, which is transferring onto a contract to fund the Community Legal Advice Centre, is not included in the above figures.

Voluntary Sector Grant Funding Source and Application of Funds 2008/9 – CAS

Appendix 3

Organisation Name	Recommended Community Grants Budget 2008/9	Recommended Adult Social Services Mainstream 2008/9	Recommended Carers Grant 2008/9	Total Joint Funding 2008/9 (allowing 2% for inflation)	Recommended Adult Social Services Joint Funding Contribution 2008/9	Partner Agencies
Age Concern Derby and Derbyshire	£10,769	£14,672	-	· ·	-	-
Alternatives Activity Centre	-	£63,177	-	-	-	-
Alzheimers Society	-	-	£10,475	-	-	-
CamTAD	-	£13,238	-	£56,287	£14,749	Derby City Council, Derby City PCT, Derbyshire County Council, Derbyshire County PCT
Derby CVS (including Volunteer Centre)	£126,907	-	-	£200,729	£52,973	Derby City Council, Derby City PCT
Derbyshire MIND – Rosehill Club	-	-	-	£177,686	£60,379	Derby City Council, Derby City PCT

Organisation Name	Recommended Community Grants Budget 2008/9	Recommended Adult Social Services Mainstream 2008/9	Recommended Carers Grant 2008/9	Total Joint Funding 2008/9 (allowing 2% for inflation)	Recommended Adult Social Services Joint Funding Contribution 2008/9	Partner Agencies
Derbyshire MIND – Advocacy Service	-	-	-	£146,678	£49,841	Derby City Council, Derby City PCT
Derbyshire Association for the Blind	£2,974 (first 6 months only)	£13,404	-	£37,194	£5,255	Derby City Council, Derby City PCT
Derbyshire Carers Association	-	£25,130	£53,602 (£34,568 + £19,034 for new service)	£53,493	£10,309	Derby City Council, Derby City PCT
Derbyshire Mental Health Carers Forum	-	-	£9,180	-	-	-
Derby Millennium Network	£50,875	-	-	£34,628	£17,541	Derby City Council, Derby City PCT
Derby and South Derbyshire Crossroads	-	£26,413	-	-	-	-
Derbyshire Appropriate Adult Scheme	-	-	-	£89,480	£23,564	Derby City Council, Derbyshire County Council , Derbyshire Constabulary
Derbyshire Advocacy Service*	-	£10,428	-	£20,760	£1,119	Derby City Council, Derby City PCT
Disability Direct	£19,934	£40,412	-	£19,520	£9,759	Derby City Council, Derby City PCT
Hadhari	-	£30,653	-	-	-	-

Organisation Name	Recommended Community Grants Budget 2008/9	Recommended Adult Social Services Mainstream 2008/9	Recommended Carers Grant 2008/9	Total Joint Funding 2008/9 (allowing 2% for inflation)	Recommended Adult Social Services Joint Funding Contribution 2008/9	Partner Agencies
Headway	-	-	-	£20,910	£10,455	Derby City Council, Derby City PCT
MHA Care Group - Live at Home Schemes	-	£56,216	-	£20,834	£10,418	Derby City Council, Derby City PCT
Opieka	£5,002	-	-	£24,584	£12,292	Derby City Council, Derby City PCT
Padley Development Centre	-	£58,805	-	£15,872	£7,936	Derby City Council, Derby City PCT
Padley Day Service	-	£18,227	-	-	-	-
Padley Woodwork Project	-	£12,023 for 6 months only	-	-	-	-
Sahahra	-	£60,494	-	-	-	-
Ukrainian Day Centre	£10,555	-	-	£12,665	£6,347	Derby City Council, Derby City PCT
Asian Advisory Service	£5,385	-	-	-	-	-
Asian Over 60s Lunch Clubs and Drop-in	£11,428	-	-	-	-	-

Organisation Name	Recommended Community Grants Budget 2008/9	Recommended Adult Social Services Mainstream 2008/9	Recommended Carers Grant 2008/9	Total Joint Funding 2008/9 (allowing 2% for inflation)	Recommended Adult Social Services Joint Funding Contribution 2008/9	Partner Agencies
Asian Women's Day Service (Milap)	£6,557	-	-	-	-	-
Asian Women's Luncheon Club	£3,129	-	-	-	-	-
Austin Community Enterprise Ltd	£4,851	-	-	-	-	-
Business in the Community	£11,062	-	-	-	-	-
Chaddesden Age Concern	£2,944	-	-	-	-	-
Chester Green Monday Lunch Club	£1,904	-	-	-	-	-
Communication Unlimited	£34,794	-	-	-	-	-
Derby African Association	£3,097	-	-	-	-	-

Organisation Name	Recommended Community Grants Budget 2008/9	Recommended Adult Social Services Mainstream 2008/9	Recommended Carers Grant 2008/9	Total Joint Funding 2008/9 (allowing 2% for inflation)	Recommended Adult Social Services Joint Funding Contribution 2008/9	Partner Agencies
Derby Community Accountancy Service	£19,906	-	-	-	-	-
Derby Furniture Project (including Clothing Store)	£51,007	-	-	-	-	-
Derby Minority Senior Citizens Men's Luncheon Club	£8,584	-	-	-	-	-
Derby Minority Senior Citizens Ladies Luncheon Club	£4,777	-	-	-	-	-
Derby Racial Equality Council	£66,160 (£36,580 for first 6 monthly payment; £29,580 for 2 nd 6 monthly payment)	-	-	-	-	-
Derby Shopmobility	£18,986	-	-	-	-	-
Derby West Indian Association Credit Union Ltd	£5,960	-	-	-	-	-

Organisation Name	Recommended Community Grants Budget 2008/9	Recommended Adult Social Services Mainstream 2008/9	Recommended Carers Grant 2008/9	Total Joint Funding 2008/9 (allowing 2% for inflation)	Recommended Adult Social Services Joint Funding Contribution 2008/9	Partner Agencies
Derby West Indian Community Association	£25,845	-	-	-	-	-
Derby Women's Centre	£42,430	-	-	-	-	-
Derbyshire Chinese Welfare Association	£3,638	-	-	-	-	-
Derbyshire Community Foundation	£2,770	-	-	-	-	-
Derwent Luncheon Club	£634	-	-	-	-	-
Derwent Social Club	£1,371	-	-	-	-	-
Geeta Bhavan Hindu Temple Luncheon Clu	£2,031	-	-	-	-	-
Indian Community Centre Luncheon Club	£2,417	-	-	-	-	-

Organisation Name	Recommended Community Grants Budget 2008/9	Recommended Adult Social Services Mainstream 2008/9	Recommended Carers Grant 2008/9	Total Joint Funding 2008/9 (allowing 2% for inflation)	Recommended Adult Social Services Joint Funding Contribution 2008/9	Partner Agencies
Indian Community Luncheon Club	£4,316	-	-	-	-	-
Play & Recycling Centre	£11,720	-	-	-	-	-
Relate Derby and Southern Derbyshire	£12,810	-	-	-	-	-
Samaritans	£634	-	-	-	-	-
Sinfin and Stenson Fields Asian Over 60's	£4,491	-	-	-	-	-
Southern Derbyshire Pensioners Association	£9,607	-	-	-	-	-
SUPORT Ltd	£34,177	-	-	-	-	-

Organisation Name	Recommended Community Grants Budget 2008/9	Recommended Adult Social Services Mainstream 2008/9	Recommended Carers Grant 2008/9	Total Joint Funding 2008/9 (allowing 2% for inflation)	Recommended Adult Social Services Joint Funding Contribution 2008/9	Partner Agencies
Older and Disabled People's Grants*	£8,000	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	£654,438	£443,292	£73,257	£931,320	£292,937	-

Notes:

- Some of the above organisations receive separate funding from the Council under the Community Grants Budget and / or Adult Social Services budgets and / or Joint Funding arrangements.
- For some of the joint funding agreements, Derby City Council and Derby City PCT have agreed to enter into city wide, rather than county wide funding arrangements from 1 April 2008. These are: Derbyshire Association for the Blind, Derbyshire Advocacy Service and Derbyshire Carers Association. The lead agency for these agreements is still to be determined.
- Derby City Council has also withdrawn from the joint funding agreement with Derbyshire County PCT and Derbyshire County Council for Derby & South Derbyshire Crossroads, though the level of funding provided by the Council remains the same.
- £310,000 CGB grant funding, previously provided to Citizens Advice and Law Centre and Derbyshire Housing Aid, has been earmarked for the Community Legal Advice Centre from 1 April 2008.
- NRF 75% transitional funding of <u>£62,097</u> is needed to cover these grant funding commitments for 2008/9.
- Older and Disabled People's Groups grants* are small, non-key decisions made in consultation with the Cabinet Member.



Cabinet Member for Adult Services

Community Grants Budget Voluntary and Community Sector Grant Funding for 2007/8

SUMMARY

- 1.1 This report sets out Community Grants Budget grant funding to be provided to Voluntary and Community Sector organisations in 2007/2008.
- 1.2 Subject to any issues raised at the meeting, I support the following recommendation.

RECOMMENDATION

- 2.1 To approve the proposed grant funding for the Community Grants Budget (CGB), set out in Appendix 2 of the report subject to the final decision on the revenue budget made by Council.
- 2.2 To approve a review of the CGB application and decision making process, to ensure maximum efficiency, effectiveness and transparency and to balance the need for sustainability with the need to meet strategic priorities. An analysis of the funding for luncheon club provision will need to form part of this review. Owing to the difficult financial position faced by the Council, further savings of at least £10,000 will need to be found during the course of 2007/8. This will be the subject of a subsequent report.
- 2.3 To approve the transfer of grant funding for Derwent Stepping Stones from the Community Grants Budget to Children and Young People's Services.
- 2.4 To confirm that, since Asian Over 60's has not met some of the key requirements of the Community Legal Service Quality Mark Standard following a recent audit, 6 month's notice will be given to the organisation to provide them with a final opportunity to comply with the standard and to implement improvements to financial procedures. If, after this time, these conditions of funding have still not been met, the grant funding for the advice service will come to an end.

REASON FOR RECOMMENDATION

3.1 An inflationary increase of 2.5% is being recommended for all Council Voluntary Sector grant funding for 2007/8. This inflationary increase is necessary to ensure that services do not become unsustainable.

- 3.2 The Council restructuring and the mid-year decision to relocate the Community Grants Budget within Corporate and Adult Social Services, left insufficient time for the usual CGB application process. The recommendations contained in this report are therefore based on the results of monitoring and review processes, rather than an application process.
- 3.3 The recommendation to transfer the grant funding for Derwent Stepping Stones to Children and Young People's Services is to ensure that this funding agreement is managed within the most appropriate department.
- 3.4 Asian Over 60's is the only grant funded advice service which did not achieve the full Community Legal Service Quality Mark. The organisation was very late in securing a provisional Quality Mark, therefore its implementation of the standard was never audited by the Legal Services Commission. It is an established Council policy that meeting the Quality Mark Standard is a condition of grant funding for all organisations providing advice services and the organisation has had over 2 years since the provisional Quality Mark in which to implement the requirements. A six month notice period will provide the organisation with a final opportunity to comply with the Quality Mark Standard and other conditions of funding.



COUNCIL CABINET 16 January 2007

Report of the Director of Corporate and Adult Social Services

Community Grants Budget Voluntary and Community Sector Funding for 2007/8

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 1.1 This report sets out the recommendations for Community Grants Budget funding to be provided to Voluntary and Community Sector organisations in 2007/8.
- 1.2 The mid-year decision to transfer the management of the Community Grants Budget to Corporate and Adult Social Services left insufficient time to undertake the lengthy application and appraisal process. The recommendations for continued Community Grants Budget funding for 2007/8 are therefore based on the results of monitoring and review processes, rather than the usual application process. It is therefore recommended that, subject to satisfactory monitoring and review, the grants listed at Appendix 2 should be rolled over to the 2007/8 financial year, pending a review of the Community Grants Budget process (see 1.5, below).
- 1.3 An inflationary increase of 2.5% is being recommended for all Council Voluntary Sector grant funding for 2007/8. Owing to the significant budgetary pressures faced by the Council, inflationary increases were not provided for the previous financial year. However, this exacerbated existing cost pressures within the Voluntary Sector. An inflationary increase for 2007/8 is necessary, both to avoid unacceptable risk to the sustainability of services and in order to comply with the spirit and letter of the Council's Compact with the Voluntary Sector.

1.4 Compact and principles of Voluntary Sector funding

The Council is committed to complying with the principles and undertakings set out in the Compact and related Codes of Practice. In the case of multi-year funding agreements, the Council has undertaken to consult with Voluntary Sector Organisations prior to any reduction in funding and also to provide a minimum of 3 months notice. The Council is also committed to taking a strategic approach to grant funding, to ensure that Voluntary Sector funding is targeted as effectively as possible and delivers Best Value for service users.

1.5 CGB review and the need to make cost savings

One of the aims of the proposed review of the CGB process is to ensure that the Council's administrative processes are as efficient, effective and transparent as possible, whilst also supporting an appropriate balance between maintaining the sustainability of the sector and providing scope for meeting the changing needs and priorities of our communities. An analysis of the current funding for luncheon club provision will need to form part of this review. Owing to the budgetary pressures faced by the Council, it will also be necessary to identify at least a further £10,000 in cost savings to be made during 2007/8, as part of this review.

1.6 Community Legal Advice Centre

The Council has been in discussion with the Legal Services Commission concerning the development of a Community Legal Advice Centre (CLAC) in Derby. It has been proposed that the some of the existing Community Grants Budget funding for advice services should form part of the financial envelope for the CLAC. The Council is currently in the process of consulting organisations concerning the implications of the CLAC proposals. The final recommendation concerning the CLAC and CGB funding for advice organisations will be included in a later Cabinet Report, once the consultation with advice providers has been concluded.

1.7 Derwent Stepping Stones

For some years, this grant funding has been managed through the Community Grants Budget. However, it is recognised that Derwent Stepping Stones provides a key service for children and families in the Derwent area, forming part of the Children's Centre and being located in the Area 1 pilot for Integrated Children's Services. It is therefore recommended that this grant funding should transfer to Children and Young People's Services, to ensure that it is managed by the department with the relevant strategic responsibility for children's services.

1.8 Asian Over 60's

There has been a long history of financial and service delivery concerns with this organisation. Over recent months, there have been a number of meetings and discussions involving Councillors, Senior Officers and the organisation itself, in an attempt to resolve these concerns. An audit has been undertaken to look at the financial management of the organisation, the luncheon club provision and drop in services and, in particular, whether the advice service meets the required Quality Mark Standard. Whilst some improvements are being made to the financial management and governance of the organisation, the findings from this review confirmed that the organisation is not meeting some of the key Quality Mark requirements. It is Council policy that funding for all advice services is dependent upon compliance with this standard, therefore 6 months notice will be given to allow the organisation a final opportunity to comply with the Quality Mark Standard and to meet other conditions of funding.

1.9 **Emergent Communities**

Recent discussions with representatives of emergent communities in Derby have been held, jointly with the Community Safety Partnership, to consider both community cohesion issues and how the Council can better support the developing voluntary and community sector within emerging communities. The results were reported back to the Minority Ethnic Communities Equalities Forum (formerly MECAC) on 16th November. It is proposed to bring these considerations into the review of the CGB grants application and decision making process, to ensure that grants are effectively targeted and used to support all parts of Derby's communities.

OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

2. None.

Background papers:AppendList of appendices:Append	ng 01332 255507 e-mail: katy.wing@derby.gov.uk ix 1 - Implications ix 2 - Voluntary Sector Grant Funding for the Community Grants 2007/8
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IMPLICATIONS

Financial

- 1.1 The total cost of the grant funding recommendations listed at Appendix 2 can be met within the Community Grants Budget allocation for 2007/8, subject to:
 - the final setting of the Council's budget in March 2007
 - the continued availability of NRF funding to meet 50% of the costs of grants which transferred from the former Social Services Department, as per the 17 January 2006 Cabinet Reports.
 - identifying cost savings of at least £10,000 to be made during the course of 2007/8. This will be the subject of a subsequent Cabinet Report.
- 1.2 Payment of the approved funding will be subject to compliance with Funding Agreements.

Legal

- 2.1 Powers to provide funding in the above circumstances are granted under the Children Act 1989, the National Assistance Act 1948, the Health Services and Public Health Act 1968 and the National Health Services Act 1977.
- 2.2 Each organisation receiving assistance will be required to enter into a Funding Agreement with the Council.

Personnel

3. The Voluntary Sector Team will be considering how best to manage Corporate and Adult Social Services grant funding, along with its lead responsibility for the development of Voluntary Sector policy and strategy, within existing staffing levels.

Equalities impact

4. The services and activities of the organisations named in this report provide support across all communities, particularly those experiencing disadvantage and social exclusion.

Corporate objectives and priorities for change

5. This accords with the Council's objective of promoting strong and positive communities and protecting and supporting people.

Community Grants Budget

Organisation Name	Grant 2006/7	Recommended Grant 2007/8
Age Concern Derby and Derbyshire	£10,300	£10,558
Alternatives Activity Centre	£14,720	£15,088
Asian Advisory Service	£5,150	£5,279
Asian Over 60s Lunch Club	£10,931	£11,204
Asian Over 60s Advice Centre	£26,715	£27,383
Asian Women's Day Service (Milap)	£6,271	£6,428
Asian Women's Luncheon Club	£2,993	£3,068
Austin Community Enterprise Ltd	£4,640	£4,756
Business in the Community	£10,580	£10,845
Chaddesden Age Concern	£2,817	£2,886
Chester Green Monday Lunch Club	£1,821	£1,867
Communication Unlimited	£33,280	£34,112
Derby African Association	£2,962	£3,036
Derby Citizens Advice Bureau	£156,780	£160,700
Derby Clothing Store	£3,467	£3,554
Derby Community Accountancy Service	£19,040	£19,516
Derby Community Transport Social Car Scheme	£7,894	£8,091
Derby CVS - General	£98,550	£101,014
Derby CVS - Volunteer Centre	£22,834	£23,405
Derby Furniture Project	£45,320	£46,453
Derby Law Centre	£136,100	£139,503
Derby Millennium Network	£48,660	£49,877
Derby Minority Senior Citizens Men's Luncheon Club	£8,211	£8,416
Derby Minority Senior Citizens Ladies Luncheon Club	£4,569	£4,683
Derby Racial Equality Council	£70,110	£71,863
Derby Shopmobility	£18,160	£18,614
Derby West Indian Association Credit Union Ltd	£5,700	£5,843

Derby West Indian Community Association	£24,720	£25,338
Derby Women's Centre	£40,583	£41,598
Derbyshire Association for the Blind	£5,690	£5,832
Derbyshire Chinese Welfare Association	£3,480	£3,567
Derbyshire Community Foundation	£2,650	£2,716
Derbyshire Housing Aid	£9,800	£10,045
Derwent Luncheon Club	£607	£622
Derwent Social Club	£1,311	£1,344
Disability Direct	£19,066	£19,543
Geeta Bhavan Hindu Temple Luncheon Club	£1,942	£1,991
Indian Community Centre Luncheon Club	£2,312	£2,370
Indian Community Luncheon Club	£4,128	£4,231
Opieka	£4,784	£4,904
Play & Recycling Centre	£11,210	£11,490
Relate Derby and Southern Derbyshire	£12,253	£12,559
Samaritans	£607	£622
Sinfin and Stenson Fields Asian Over 60's	£4,296	£4,403
Southern Derbyshire Pensioners Association	£9,189	£9,419
SUPORT Ltd	£32,690	£33,507
Ukrainian Day Centre	£10,096	£10,348
Oakleigh Craft Club ¹	£547	-
Older and Disabled People's Grants ²	£8,000	£8,000
Derwent Stepping Stones ³	£12,360	-
Unallocated balance from 2006/7 ⁴	£13,861	-
TOTAL	£1,014,757	£1,012,491

 ¹ Oakleigh Craft Club ceased to operate during 2006/7.
 ² Older and Disabled People's Grants are small, non-key decisions, made in consultation with the Cabinet

Member ³ Derwent Stepping Stones budget transferring to Children and Young People's Department ⁴ The unallocated balance is being used to meet any urgent financial pressures in the voluntary sector during 2006/7, but will not be available in 2007/8 and represents a reduction in the overall budget of £13,861.

ITEM 8



Cabinet Member for Adult Services

Community Grants Budget 2006/07

SUMMARY

- 1.1 We have considered a number of options for the allocation of the Community Grants Budget CGB grants to voluntary sector organisations for 2006/07.
- 1.2 A total of 45 organisations have applied for CGB funding in 2006/07. The CGB now has an assumed budget of £851,491 in 2006/07, subject to the setting of the Council's budget in March 2006.
- 1.3 Subject to any issues raised at the meeting, I support the following recommendations.

RECOMMENDATION

- 2.1 To continue funding 13 organisations on a three year basis 11 of whom will be in their final year of CGB funding in 2006/07, to begin funding a further 2 organisations on a three year basis and to fund 10 organisations on a one year basis during 2006/07.
- 2.2 To approve the allocation of the Community Grants Budget grants to voluntary sector organisations for 2006/09 as outlined in this report and detailed in the appendices.
- 2.3 To approve grants to existing CGB funded organisations at the same level as they were funded in 2005/06, with no inflationary increase.

REASON FOR RECOMMENDATION

3. The Community Grants Budget is limited, so the Council is not able to support all the organisations which applied for funding in 2006/7. Continuing to fund existing CGB funded organisations is the option which will cause the least disruption to the voluntary organisations supported by the Council.



Report of the Corporate Director, Regeneration & Community

Community Grants Budget 2006/07

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 1.1 The Community Grants Budget provides core revenue funding of £2,000 and above for voluntary and community organisations in Derby. Organisations' service areas need to fit within one of the CGB criteria below to be eligible for funding.
 - To support voluntary and community sector infrastructure organisations that provide development support to the voluntary and community sector **or**
 - To strengthen communities by:
 - \circ providing advice, information or advocacy, or
 - o supporting new and emerging communities, or
 - supporting activities designed to develop socially excluded communities or access to services for those communities, or
 - supporting organisations that have a specific role in taking forward neighbourhood development.
- 1.2 Organisations applying for three-year funding must meet one of two additional criteria
 - Organisations which are concerned with supporting voluntary and community sector infrastructure, city-wide or in Neighbourhood Renewal Strategy priority neighbourhoods

Or

- Organisations which play a strategic role in helping people to access information and advice on a city-wide basis.
- 1.3 There were 32 applications received for funding from the CGB, and 13 currently three-year funded organisations being considered for continued funding. The 32 applications alone requested £822,035 for 2006/07. The recommendation process has assumed a base budget for both one year and three-year grants of £851,491.

- 1.4 From the 2004/05 approval round, 11 organisations were approved for three-year funding starting from April 2004. During the 2005/06 approval round, two further organisations were approved for three-year funding starting April 2005. We have carried out the mid-term review on the 11 organisations that started their three-year grant in 2004 and verifications of all procedures being in place on the two organisations that started in 2005. Appraisal Panels have recommended that all 13 organisations are fit for purpose and that they continue to receive CGB funding.
- 1.5 We have implemented a number of developments and changes to the CGB process this year. This included much wider publicity of the grant, building on the publicity of the previous year. From this, we had 20 new applicants applying to CGB.
- 1.6 In the Cabinet report for 2005/06 grants, four organisations were subject to conditions to be met in the first six months of the year. Failure to have met this would have resulted in loss of half of the remaining grant. These organisations were: Derby Asian Women's Training, Derby Women's Centre, the Play and Recycling Centre; and Derby Shopmobility. All four organisations met the conditions within the timescale.
- 1.7 Other organisations which were approved for funding had other conditions or follow up support. Progress on these was taken into account in this year's appraisal process.
- 1.8 Appraisal Panels met in October 2005 to consider the 32 applications and the current 13 three-year funded organisations. Following the previous year's appraisal process, a full review was carried out of the CGB process. Part of the review covered clarifying the criteria between CGB and other Council grants made by Social Services and Education. The review process overall led to significant improvements in criteria, the scoring and appraisal process and the timetable. It also led to wider publicity of the grant and agreement that one-year grants were for that period only and all applications were assessed on merit. All aspects of the review were discussed in the Compact Forum with the Voluntary Sector. In June 2005, Cabinet approved revised CGB criteria arising from the review.
- 1.9 Each application was scored throughout by the Appraisal Panel. Certain sections of the application required minimum scores to be reached in order to be recommended for CGB funding. The sections requiring a minimum score to be reached are:
 - proposed outcomes
 - project monitoring
 - management
 - financial management
 - equality in organisation.

The Legal Services Commission Quality Mark is a compulsory requirement for all information and advice giving organisations.

1.10 Following discussion with the Cabinet Member for Adult Services we are proposing not to fund any new organisations applying to the CGB.

- 1.11 Two organisations are recommended for three-year funding for 2006-2009:
 - Derwent Stepping Stones
 - SUPORT

Derwent Stepping Stones and SUPORT currently receive CGB funding on a one year basis.

- 1.12 The recommendations for one-year funding are:
 - Alternative Activities
 - Asian Advisory Service
 - Austin Community Enterprise
 - Derby Furniture Project
 - Derby Shopmobility
 - Derby West Indian Community Association
 - Derby West Indian Association Credit Union
 - Derby Women's Centre
 - Derby Chinese Welfare Association
 - Play and Recycling Centre.
- 1.13 We will continue to monitor the scoring process and the format of the application and appraisal forms in consultation with the voluntary sector prior to next year's application round.

OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

- 2.1 Following the appraisal process three broad options were considered to balance the budget ...
 - Reduce all organisations by a certain percentage to fit the available budget.
 - Use total scores achieved for each organisation and fund those organisations who achieved above a certain total score.
 - To continue to fund all currently funded organisations and not bring in any new applicants.
- 2.2 The third option is the recommended proposal. The proposal has the support of Council Cabinet Members and would leave an unallocated balance of £13,861 in the CGB to be retained as a contingency in 2006/07.

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Background papers:	CGB application forms and appraisal documents on file in the Area and Neighbourhood Unit
List of appendices:	Appendix 1 – Implications Appendix 2 - Financial summary

IMPLICATIONS

Financial

1. The recommendations in the report will be contained within the available CGB budget. Appendix 2 provides full financial details, based on the recommendation. Payment of agreed funding in 2007/08 and 2008/09 will be dependent on budgets being available, and on organisations demonstrating compliance with funding agreements.

Legal

2. Each organisation receiving a CGB grant will be required to enter into a funding agreement with the Council. Continuation of three-year funding agreements will be conditional upon satisfactory reviews.

Personnel

3. The CGB is administered by the Voluntary Sector Team in the Area and Neighbourhood Unit of the Policy Directorate.

Equalities impact

4. All the CGB grants support equality and social inclusion target groups.

Corporate objectives and priorities

5. The proposals further the Council's objectives of providing healthy, safe and independent communities, and a shared commitment to regenerating our communities.



Report of the Director of Policy

Community Grants Budget 2005/06

RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1.1 To approve the allocation of Community Grants Budget CGB grants to voluntary sector organisations for 2005/06 as outlined in this report and detailed in the appendices.
- 1.2 To approve the allocation of the remaining CGB budget from 2004/05 of £6,240 to support the development of the Compact.

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 All applicant organisations have been appraised against the CGB criteria and in relation to fitness for purpose. Existing three-year funded organisations are recommended to receive a 2.7% inflationary increase. All one-year applicants who received one-year funding in 2004/5 are recommended to receive the same amounts in 2005/06. One new applicant organisation, not previously in receipt of CGB funding, has been recommended for a grant. This retains the 2005/06 grants to voluntary organisations within the assumed CGB budget of £846,323.
- 2.2 There is no other budget provision for supporting the development of the Compact.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 3.1 The Community Grants Budget provides core funding for voluntary and community organisations in Derby. Organisations' service areas need to fit within the Council's objectives and within four key CGB themes to be eligible for funding. The themes are to:
 - support the voluntary and community sector infrastructure
 - make communities powerful
 - deliver services relating to social inclusion
 - test out and deliver innovative approaches.
- 3.2 Organisations applying for three-year funding must meet one of two additional criteria:
 - supporting the voluntary and community sector infrastructure, city-wide, for example, providing development support for voluntary or community groups
 - play a strategic role in partnership with the Council in supporting its service areas on a city-wide basis.

- 3.3 There were 24 applications received for 2005/06 funding from the CGB, plus 11 organisations due for continuation of three-year funding approved last year, with a total of £1,539,469 requested. The recommendation process has assumed a base budget of £824,000 plus a 2.7% inflationary increase £846,323. If there were a change to this assumption, the recommendations in this report would need to be reconsidered.
- 3.4 The 2004/05 allocation of £5,750 for the Racial Harassment Project is still unspent. A new project is being worked up by the Community Safety Partnership, which will start during 2005/06. £5,750 has been included for the project in the recommendations.
- 3.5 During the 2004/05 approval round, 11 organisations were recommended for threeyear funding starting from April 2004. We have checked that all necessary monitoring and safety procedures are in place and that work is progressing according to the funding agreements. A full review of these three-year allocations will be carried out after the first full year's grant.
- 3.6 The organisations approved for three-year funding last year, and therefore recommended for continuation of funding, including inflationary increases as stipulated in the three year funding agreement, are:
 - Business in the Community
 - Derby CAB
 - Derby Community Accountancy Service
 - Derby CVS
 - Derby Law Centre
 - Derby Millennium Network
 - Derby REC
 - Derbyshire Association for the Blind
 - Derbyshire Community foundation
 - Derbyshire Housing Aid
 - Disability Direct.
- 3.7 We have implemented a number of changes to the CGB process this year, including wider publicity through Derby Council for Voluntary Service DCVS, Network News and Derby Millennium Network's members' circulation. This active publicity to the voluntary sector led to ten new applications for CGB.
- 3.8 Appraisal Panels met in October 2004 to consider the 24 applications. This year, there have been two officers acting as core members for all panel meetings to support consistency across the appraisal process. The two core members focused on consistency of recommendations in quality of service and the organisations' performance management, and equality of standards for each application. Each individual panel meeting also included two officers with expertise specific to the service area being assessed.

- 3.9 To try and further improve the decision-making process for the CGB, a new system was introduced into the appraisal process following discussion and agreement at the Compact Forum in May 2004. Organisations were rated against six criteria:
 - information about the organisation / service, including fit to intended CGB theme, fit to Council objectives
 - outputs and outcomes
 - project monitoring
 - management
 - financial management
 - equalities.

The Legal Services Commission Quality Mark is a compulsory requirement for all information and advice giving organisations.

- 3.10 The assessment process and the four key CGB themes will be further refined before next year's appraisal process, in full consultation with the Compact Forum.
- 3.11 The organisations which applied for new CGB funding for 2005/6 were:
 - Age Concern Derby and Derbyshire
 - Alternative Activities
 - Asian Advisory Service
 - Austin Community Enterprise Ltd
 - Children First
 - Communications Unlimited
 - Derby Asian Women's Training Association
 - Derby City Mission
 - Derby Furniture Project
 - Derby Shopmobility
 - Derby West Indian Association Credit Union
 - Derby West Indian Community Association
 - Derby Women's Centre
 - Derbyshire Autistic Support Group
 - Derby Chinese Welfare Association
 - Derbyshire Mind Rosehill
 - Derwent Stepping Stones
 - Key to the Edge
 - Multi-Faith Centre
 - Play and Recycling
 - Relate Derby and Southern Derbyshire
 - SUPORT Ltd
 - The Enthusiasm Trust Youth Charity
 - The Ikhlas Foundation.
- 3.12 Two organisations are recommended for three-year funding for 2005-2008 because they meet the CGB criteria and qualify for three-year funding:
 - Communication Unlimited
 - Age Concern Derby and Derbyshire.

- 3.13 Twelve organisations, which received CGB funding for one year in 2004/5 are recommended to receive the same amount in 2005/6, because they continue to meet the criteria and have satisfied the appraisal criteria:
 - Asian Advisory Service
 - Austin Community Enterprise Ltd
 - Derby Asian Women's Training Association
 - Derby Furniture Project
 - Derby Shopmobility
 - Derby West Indian Association Credit Union
 - Derby West Indian Community Association
 - Derby Women's Centre
 - Derby Chinese Welfare Association
 - Derwent Stepping Stones
 - Play and Recycling
 - SUPORT Ltd.
- 3.14 Of these, four organisations:
 - Derby Asian Women's Training Association
 - Derby Women's Centre
 - Play and Recycling
 - Derby Shopmobility

showed areas needing improvement. We are therefore recommending that funding is approved subject to improvement criteria being met within the first six months of the financial year. Should the organisation not meet their conditions, they will then only be granted half of the remaining funding over the next six months. Conditions relate to specific areas of improvement required for that organisation.

- 3.15 Ten organisations were new applicants to CGB who had not received funding in the past. Three of these applications were not considered because the applications were for projects, rather than core funding. These were:
 - Enthusiasm Trust Youth Charity
 - Relate Derby and South Derbyshire
 - Children First.
- 3.16 Three new applications were rejected on appraisal because they did not meet minimum standards for funding:
 - Ikhlas Foundation
 - Derby City Mission
 - Multi-Faith Centre.

3.17 The remaining four new applicants:

- Key to the Edge
- Derbyshire Autistic Support Group
- Alternatives Activity Centre
- Derbyshire Mind Rosehill

were assessed for the allocation of the remaining £14,718 in the available budget provision. Both Key to the Edge and Mind Rosehill were felt to be part of larger, wellfunded organisations with access to other funding. Derbyshire Autistic Support Group was felt to have more of a social care remit than the Alternatives Activity Centre, which provides employment placements for people with learning disabilities. Alternatives was felt to be a robust organisation, delivering a good service, and most likely to achieve its outputs. It was also felt that it would be more effective to allocate the whole amount to one organisation, rather than divide it between four, and the amount available most closely matched the amount they requested in the application.

- 3.18 We will further improve the appraisal process prior to next year's application round. This would include the following:
 - reconsideration of the four key CGB themes
 - refinements to the scoring process
 - taking a strategic overview of services provided by organisations to prevent duplication
 - developing a system to manage those organisations and projects that are under-achieving and to consider the milestones that need to be put in place to support the development of performance
 - agreeing how to develop the process through the Compact Forum.
- 3.19 We propose to use the remaining CGB budget from 2004/05 of £6,240 to support the development of the Compact. Responsibility for matters such as consultation and publicity for the Compact are currently shared between the Council and CVS, so the budget would be allocated between the two organisations as appropriate.

OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

4. Not allocating balance of £14,718 at this stage, but to retain as a contingency in 2005/06.

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Background papers:	CGB application forms and appraisal documents on file in the Area and Neighbourhood Unit
List of appendices:	Appendix 1 – Implications Appendix 2 – Financial summary

IMPLICATIONS

Financial

1. The recommendations in the report will be contained within the assumed available CGB budget. Appendix 2 provides full financial details. Payment of agreed funding in 2006/07 and 2007/08 will be dependent on budgets being available, and on organisations demonstrating compliance with funding agreements.

Legal

2. Each organisation receiving a grant will be required to enter into a funding agreement with the Council. Continuation of three-year funding agreements will be conditional upon a satisfactory annual review.

Personnel

3. The CGB is administered by the Voluntary Sector Support Team in the Area and Neighbourhood Unit of the Policy Directorate.

Equalities impact

4. All the grants support equality and social inclusion target groups.

Corporate objectives and priorities for change

5. The proposal comes under the Council's objectives of **strong and positive neighbourhoods**, and **protecting and supporting people**.

		1 year	3 year	1 year recommendations	3 year recommendations	Expected funding	
CGB Ref No	Organisation name	Grant recommended 2004/05 £	Grant recommended 2004/2005 £	Grant recommended 2005/06 £	Grant recommended 2005/2006 £	2006/07 £	2007/08 £
CGB031	Age Concern Derby and Derbyshire	10,300			10,300	10,580	10,860
CBG046	Alternative Activities			14,720			
CGB039	Asian Advisory Service	5,150		5,150			
CGB026	Austin Community Enterprise Ltd	4,640		4,640			
CGB017	Business in the Community - BITC		10,300		10,580	10,860	
CGB052	Children First				0		
CGB023	Communication Unlimited	33,280			33,280	34,180	35,100
CGB007	Derby Asian Women's Training Association	4,270		4,270			
CGB001	Derby Citizens Advice Bureau		152,660		156,780	161,020	
CBG047	Derby City Mission				0		
CGB037	Derby Community Accountancy Service		18,540		19,040	19,560	
CGB003	Derby Council for Voluntary Services Ltd		95,960		98,550	101,210	
CGB019	Derby Furniture Project	44,000		44,000			
CGB002	Derby Law Centre		132,520		136,100	139,770	
CGB032	Derby Millennium Network		47,380		48,660	49,970	
CGB004	Derby Racial Equality Council		68,260		70,110	72,000	
CGB025	Derby Shopmobility	18,160		18,160			
CGB033	Derby West Indian Association Credit Union Ltd	5,700		5,700			
CGB013	Derby West Indian Community Association	24,720		24,720			
CGB011	Derby Women's Centre	39,420		39,420			
CGB042	Derbyshire Association for the Blind - DAB		5,540		5,690	5,840	
CBG045	Derbyshire Autistic Support Group			0		,	
CGB012	Derbyshire Chinese Welfare Association	3,480		3,480			
CGB006	Derbyshire Community Foundation		2,580		2,650	2,720	
CGB036	Derbyshire Housing Aid		9,540		9,800	10,060	

		1 year	3 year	1 year recommendations	3 year recommendations	Expected funding	
CGB Ref No	Organisation name	Grant recommended 2004/05 £	Grant recommended 2004/2005 £	Grant recommended 2005/06 £	Grant recommended 2005/2006 £	2006/07 £	2007/08 £
CBG050	Derbyshire Mind Rosehill			0			
CGB020	Derwent Stepping Stones	12,360		12,360			
CGB035	Disability Direct		18,030		18,520	19,020	
CBG043	Key to the Edge			0			
CBG044	Multi-Faith Centre				0		
CGB008	Play & Recycling Centre	11,210		11,210			
CBG048	Relate Derby and Southern Derbyshire				0		
CGB018	SUPORT Ltd	32,690		32,690			
CBG049	The Enthusiasm Trust Youth Charity				0		
CBG051	The Ikhlas Foundation				0		
	Sub Total	249,380	561,310	220,520	620,060	636,790	45,960
	Derby Furniture Project + 3% payment	1,320					
	Racial Harassment Advice and Support	5,750		5,750			
	Total	256,450	561,310	226,270	620,060	636,790	45,960

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Assumed Budget	846,330
1 Year + 3 Year funding	846,330

Deficit/Surplus

	3 year funded organisations	Year 1 2004/05	Year 2	2005/06	Year 3	2006/07		
CGB Ref No	Organisation name	Grant recommended 2004/2005 £	Grant requested 2005/2006 £	Grant recommended 2005/06 £	Grant requested 2006/2007 £	Grant recommended 2006/07 £		
CGB017	Business in the Community	10,300	10,610	10,580	10,930	10,860		
CGB001	Derby Citizens Advice Bureau	152,660	157,240	156,780	161,960	161,020		
CGB037	Derby Community Accountancy Service	18,540	19,100	19,040	19,670	19,560		
CGB003	Derby Council for Voluntary Services Ltd	95,960	98,840	98,550	101,800	101,210		
CGB002	Derby Law Centre	132,520	136,500	136,100	140,600	139,770		
CGB032	Derby Millennium Network	47,380	48,810	48,660	50,270	49,970		
CGB004	Derby Racial Equality Council	68,260	70,310	70,100	72,420	72,000		
CGB042	Derbyshire Association for the Blind	5,540	5,710	5,690	5,880	5,840		
CGB006	Derbyshire Community Foundation	2,580	2,660	2,650	2,740	2,720		
CGB036	Derbyshire Housing Aid	9,540	9,830	9,800	10,120	10,060		
CGB035	Disability Direct	18,030	18,570	18,520	19,130	19,020		
	Sub Total	561,310	578,180	576,470	595,520	592,030	0	0
			Grant requested 2005/2006 £	Year 1 grant recommended 2005/6 £	Grant requested 2006/2007 £	Year 2 grant recommended 2006/7 £	Grant requested 2007/2008 £	Year 3 grant recommended 2007/8 £
CGB023	Communication Unlimited	33,280	69,400	34,180	69,400	35,100	69,400	36,050
CGB031	Age Concern Derby and Derbyshire	10,300	10,820	10,580	11,360	10,860	11,920	11,160
	Sub Total	43,580	80,220	44,760	80,760	45,960	81,320	47,210
	Total for 3 Year Grants	604,890	658,400	621,230	676,280	637,990	81,320	47,210



COUNCIL CABINET 3 FEBRUARY 2004

Report of the Director of Policy

Approval of Community Grants Budget – CGB – Grants to the Voluntary Sector 2004/05

RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1.1 To approve the allocation of Community Grants Budget grants to voluntary sector organisations as outlined in this report and detailed in Appendix 3.
- 1.2 To note that the use of any remaining unallocated funding from the CGB budget will be brought to Cabinet for approval during 2004/05.

REASON FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

2. All applicant organisations have been appraised against the CGB criteria and in relation to fitness for purpose. Most applicants are recommended to receive a 3% inflationary increase over and above their 2003/04 grant, with some exceptions outlined in this report. This retains the 2004/05 grants to voluntary organisations within the assumed CGB budget of £824,000.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 3.1 There were 29 applications received for funding from the CGB, with a total of £1,270,017 requested for 2004/05. The recommendation process has assumed a base budget of £800,000 plus a 3% inflationary increase £824,000. If the Council does not provide a 3% inflationary increase, then the recommendation in this paper would need to be reconsidered.
- 3.2 It should be noted that the 2003/04 recommendation of £5,580 for the Racial Harassment Project is still unspent. Derby Racial Equality Council has not applied for funding for this project this year. A review is currently taking place and there is expected to be a need for funding in 2004/2005. With the 3% inflation, the Racial Harassment project will require £5,750 in 2004/05, and this has been built into the recommendations.
- 3.3 It should also be noted that the grant for the Citizens' Advice Bureau CAB was enhanced for 2003/04 above base budget, with a 'one-off' grant of £27,000 from corporate reserves. This was to meet a specific pressure the organisation was experiencing in supporting their Operations Manager. The recommendation in this report has the effect of bringing the CAB grant back to base budget plus the 3% inflationary increase.

- 3.4 The Council's Voluntary Sector Support Officers carried out an initial appraisal of all applications and produced recommendations based on the assumed available budget, including the 3% inflation, of £824,000. Appraisal Panels of senior officers from across the Council, with expertise in the service areas being assessed, met to appraise applications during December 2003. The Panels considered the following aspects:
 - fit to Council priorities
 - whether the relevant Quality Mark / standard is in place
 - robustness of management structures
 - proposed outputs and outcomes
 - equalities.
- 3.5 Organisations also had to meet one of the CGB themes:
 - support the voluntary and community sector infrastructure
 - make communities powerful
 - deliver services relating to social inclusion
 - test out and deliver innovative approaches.
- 3.6 Consideration has been given to three-year CGB funding agreements for the first time, in line with Council policy, and already implemented by Social Services for appropriate grants. Organisations applying for three-year funding were required to meet one of two criteria:
 - supporting voluntary and community sector infrastructure, city-wide
 - playing a strategic role in partnership with the Council in supporting the Council's services city-wide.

Only those meeting one of these criteria have been recommended for three-year funding.

- 3.7 Part of the requirement for three-year funding will be that, where applicable, organisations maintain the Legal Services Commission Quality Mark. This will be checked through the routine monitoring procedures. All three-year funding agreements will be subject to annual review and conditional upon budget provision being available.
- 3.8 We are proposing that all applicant organisations are recommended to receive a 3% inflationary increase over and above their 2003/04 grant at maximum, with the exception of the following:
 - CAST Trust no grant recommended not previously received a grant.
 - DAHRTI no grant recommended
 - DACP recommendation that grant is provided outside the General Fund
 - Derby Furniture Project 2003/04 base budget recommended with 3% increase pending conditions
 - Victim Support no grant recommended
 - Derbyshire Association for the Blind new grant recommended not previously received a grant.

The reasons for all the recommendations are explained in Appendix 3.

3.9 The total recommendations for all applications are as follows:

2004/05 - £817,760 – 1-year and 3-year recommendations

2005/06 - £578,180 - 3-year recommendations

2006/07 - £595,520 - 3-year recommendations

- 3.10 The financial implications of the above are outlined in Appendix 2, assuming a 3% inflationary increase in the CGB base budget.
- 3.11 The remaining £6,240 will be retained within the CGB budget and considered for allocation within the priorities for 2004/05.

OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

4. Various options were considered in order to retain the grants approvals within budget as part of the appraisal process. This recommendation is felt to be the most equitable way of distributing the grants, taking into account the CGB criteria and the organisations' fitness for purpose.

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IMPLICATIONS

Financial

1. The recommendations in the report will be contained within the assumed available CGB budget. Appendix 2 provides full financial details. Payment of agreed funding in 2005/06 and 2006/07 will be dependent on budgets being available, and on demonstrating compliance with funding agreements.

Legal

2. Each organisation receiving a grant will be required to enter into a funding agreement with the Council. Three-year funding agreements will be conditional upon a satisfactory annual review of each organisation.

Personnel

3. None.

Corporate themes and priorities

- 4.1 The proposal comes under the Corporate Plan themes of a **fairer society**, **prosperity for all** and **value for money**.
- 4.2 The proposal mainly furthers the priority of **improving life chances for disadvantaged people and communities.**

Community Grants Budget

Financial Implications

			1 year a	pplications:	3 year	applications - ye	ar 1 of 3:		
		Grant	Grant	Grant	Grant	Grant		Grant	Grant
CGB Ref		Received	•	recommended	Requested		Recommended 1	Recommended	Recommended
No	Organisation Name	2003/04	2004/05	2004/05	2004/2005	2004/2005	or 3 years	2005/06	2006/07
CGB026 Austin Community En	terprise Ltd	4500	4500	4640					
CGB040 CAST Trust		0	24950	0					
2	ural Resource Training Initiative - DAHRTI	2500	2500	0					
CGB007 Derby Asian Women's	5	4140	33323	4270					
CGB015 Derby Association of (Jommunity Partners Ltd	5000 17630	10000	0 18160					
CGB025 Derby Shopmobility CGB033 Derby West Indian As	sociation Crodit Union Ltd	5530	32500 9070	5700					
CGB033 Derby West Indian As		38270	9070 50472	39420					
CGB012 Derbyshire Chinese W		3370	4000	39420					
CGB012 Derbysnille Chillese V CGB018 SUPORT Ltd	Venale Association	31730	35809	32690					
CGB031 Age Concern Derby a	nd Derbyshire	10000	55009	52050	10000	10300	1 year		
CGB039 Asian Advisory Servic		5000			20000	5150	1 year		
CGB017 Business in the Com		10000			23749	10300	3 years	10610	10930
CGB023 Communication Unlim		32310			34830	33280	1 year	10010	10000
CGB001 Derby Citizens Advice		175210			189567	152660	3 years	157240	161960
CGB037 Derby Community Acc		18000			21000	18540	3 years	19100	19670
CGB003 Derby Council for Volu		93160			167842	95960	3 years	98840	101800
CGB019 Derby Furniture Proje	-	44000			47000	44000	1 year		
CGB002 Derby Law Centre		128660			165614	132520	3 years	136500	140600
CGB032 Derby Millennium Net	work	46000			97471	47380	3 years	48810	50270
CGB004 Derby Racial Equality		66270			114776	68260	3 years	70310	72420
CGB013 Derby West Indian Co	mmunity Association - DWICA	24000			51647	24720	1 year		
CGB042 Derbyshire Associatio	n for the Blind - DAB	0			11073	5540	3 years	5710	5880
CGB006 Derbyshire Communit	y Foundation	2500			2500	2580	3 years	2660	2740
CGB036 Derbyshire Housing A	id	9260			41644	9540	3 years	9830	10120
CGB020 Derwent Stepping Sto	nes	12000			16000	12360	1 year		
CGB035 Disability Direct		17500			24845	18030	3 years	18570	19130
CGB008 Play & Recycling Cen		10880			20335	11210	1 year		
CGB009 Victim Support - Derby	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	0			3000	0	None		
Racial Harassment Ac	dvice and Support	5580							
Sub Total			207124	108360	1062893	702330			
Derby Furniture Project						1320			
Racial Harassment Ac	dvice and Support			5750					
Total		823000	207124	114110	1062893	703650		578180	595520
		Summary Assumed Budget 1 year + 3 year			824000 817760				Appendix
		Deficit / Surplus			6240				ix 2

RECOMMENDATIONS

Organisation and its role	What the organisation requested the grant for	Bid for 1-year or 3-year funding	for 1-ye 3-year f by Pane	unding el	Recommended amount	Reasons for amount recommended
Austin Community Enterprise Ltd The organisation offers information and advice, office services and a library from their Advice Centre. The Childcare and Training Centre provides facilities for children and training courses.	Contribution to the Administration Assistant's salary and some running costs.	1-year	1 year ✓	3 year	£4,640	This organisation is recommended for 1-year funding as it met the recommended criteria. The grant represents a 3% increase in the grant awarded to the organisation in 2003/04.
CAST Trust Their aim is to make a positive difference in people's lives. This is achieved by delivering community capacity building work and services and equipping and empowering local residents.	Contribution towards the salaries of the Project Director, Administrator and some running costs.	1-year			0	The panel agreed not to consider the application, because CGB is not generally open to new neighbourhood specific projects and insufficient information was provided, including business plan and accounts. The panel also felt that strategic linkages had not been made through the neighbourhood renewal planning process.

Organisation and its role	What the organisation requested the grant for	Bid for 1-year or 3-year funding	Recomi for 1-ye 3-year f by Pane	ar or unding el	Recommended amount	Reasons for amount recommended
			1 year	3 year		
Derby Asian Horticultural Resource Training Initiative - DAHRTI The organisation is a horticultural training project offering NVQ training in commercial/amenity horticulture. They also offer educational and social welfare activities to people with special needs.	Contribution towards the Project Manager's salary.	1-year			0	This organisation is not recommended for funding as it failed to meet the recommended criteria. The organisation had not fulfilled its early potential and it also has sufficient funding from Derbyshire Connexions.
Derby Asian Women's Training Association Aims to enhance the employment prospects of Asian women by providing a range of educational courses, vocational training and job search skills.	Funds are required to support the salary of the Project Manager.	1-year			£4,270	This organisation is recommended for 1-year funding as it met the recommended criteria. The grant represents a 3% increase in the grant awarded to the organisation in 2003/04.
Derby Association of Community Partners Ltd They assist and support the co-ordination of the 15 Tenant Panels in Derby.	As a contribution towards the salary of the Resource Centre Manager.	1-year	✓ 		0	This organisation is not recommended for 1-year funding because its activities relate to the HRA not the General Fund and we will discuss funding from that source with Derby Homes.

Organisation and its role	What the organisation requested the grant for	Bid for 1-year or 3-year funding	Recomi for 1-ye 3-year f by Pane	ar or unding el	Recommended amount	Reasons for amount recommended
Derby Shopmobility	A contribution towards the	1-year	1 year ✓	3 year	£18,160	This organisation is recommended for 1-year funding as it met the
The organisation provides the free loan of powered	Managers salary and 4					recommended criteria.
scooters and wheelchairs, and manual wheelchairs to people with impaired mobility.	assistants.					The grant represents a 3% increase in the grant awarded to the organisation in 2003/04.
moonity.						Conditions before the grant can be released are:
						 Health and Safety procedures are required
						 Complaints procedures are required.
Derby West Indian Association Credit Union Ltd	Funds are required to support the salary cost of a	1-year	~		£5,700	This organisation is recommended for 1-year funding as it met the recommended criteria.
To offer a financial service to individuals who are unable to access mainstream financial services. Provide savings and loan facility and financial management training to members.	Caretaker and contribute towards the general running cost of the organisation					The grant represents a 3% increase in the grant awarded to the organisation in 2003/04.

Organisation and its role	What the organisation requested the grant for	Bid for 1-year or 3-year funding	Recomm for 1-ye 3-year f by Pane	ar or unding	Recommended amount	Reasons for amount recommended
Derby Women's Centre The organisation offers a caring and relaxing environment for women seeking help, support and advice. They aim to improve the quality of life of women in Derby.	Support the cost of three part time Project Workers, Crèche Worker and contribute towards the general running costs of the organisation	1-year	1 year	3 year	£39,420	 This organisation is recommended for 1-year funding as it met the recommended criteria. The grant represents a 3% increase in the grant awarded to the organisation in 2003/04. Conditions of the grant are that the organisation: improves the publicity of the services they offer develops its management structure and make it representative of the community is more robust in its networking and promotion of the centre.
Derbyshire Chinese Welfare Association They provide information, advice and support to Chinese people in Derby, with a particular aim of working to make mainstream service provision in the city fully accessible to the Chinese.	Contribution to running costs of the organisation	1-year	✓		£3,480	This organisation is recommended for 1-year funding as it met the recommended criteria. The grant represents a 3% increase in the grant awarded to the organisation in 2003/04.

Organisation and its role	What the organisation requested the grant for	Bid for 1-year or 3-year funding	Recomr for 1-ye 3-year f by Pane	ar or unding	Recommended amount	Reasons for amount recommended
SUPORT Ltd To provide a comprehensive service for the residents of Sinfin offering access to job vacancies, benefits advice, debt counselling and training facilities.	Contribution towards the salaries of the Manager, Centre Co- ordinator, Administrator and some running costs.	1-year	1 year ✓	<u>3 year</u>	£32,690	This organisation is recommended for 1-year funding as it met the recommended criteria. The grant represents a 3% increase in the grant awarded to the organisation in 2003/04.
Age Concern Derby and Derbyshire To provide information and advice, volunteering opportunities and benefit checks for older people.	Contribution to running costs.	3-year	~		£10,300	This organisation is not recommended for 3-year funding, as it did not meet the recommended criteria.It is recommended for 1-year funding as it met the recommended criteria.The grant represents a 3% increase in the grant awarded to the organisation in 2003/04.

Organisation and its role	What the organisation requested the grant for	Bid for 1-year or 3-year funding	Recomm for 1-ye 3-year f by Pane	ar or unding	Recommended amount	Reasons for amount recommended
Asian Advisory Service The organisation provides a range of information and advice services including immigration, asylum, housing, welfare rights, debt and volunteering opportunities.	Contribute to the Managers salary and some running costs.	3-year	1 year	<u>3 year</u>	£5,150	 This organisation is not recommended for 3-year funding, as it did not meet the recommended criteria. It is recommended for 1-year funding as they met the recommended criteria. The grant represents a 3% increase in the grant awarded to the organisation in 2003/04. Condition of the grant is: the organisation fully meets the action points of the CLS Quality Mark at the General Help Level.
Business in the Community – BITC They aim to actively engage local companies in the social and economic regeneration of disadvantaged communities.	Contribute to the Area Manager's salary and administrative support.	3-year		~	£10,300	This organisation is recommended for 3-year funding, as it was considered to be an organisation who plays a strategic role in partnership with the Council in supporting the Council's service areas, city-wide. It was also considered to be an organisation who is concerned with supporting the voluntary and community sector infrastructure, city-wide. The grant represents a 3% increase in the grant awarded to the organisation in 2003/04.

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Communication Unlimited They provide quality communication services for deaf people in Derby and Derbyshire who are deaf or who have hearing, sight, speech or manual dexterity impairments.	grant for Contribution towards a full time Interpreter, Administrative Officer's salary and running costs.	3-year	by Pane 1 year ✓	3 year	£33,280	 This organisation is not recommended for 3-year funding, as it did not meet the recommended criteria. It is recommended for 1-year funding as it met the recommended criteria. The grant represents a 3% increase in the grant awarded to the organisation in 2003/04. Conditions of the grant are: the organisation should provide a guaranteed service to specific Council meetings: Disabled People's Advisory Committee Disabled Employees Network For job applicants to the Council attending for interviews – available at short notice
						 Council Cabinet meetings Social Services Voluntary Sector consultation meetings – as required. the grant is specifically for those individuals and community groups who are unable to afford the service at the normal rate charged.

Organisation and its role	What the organisation requested the grant for	Bid for 1-year or 3-year funding	Recomr for 1-ye 3-year f by Pane	ar or unding el	Recommended amount	Reasons for amount recommended
	-		1 year	3 year		
Derby Citizens Advice Bureau The organisation ensures that individuals do not suffer through lack of knowledge of their rights and responsibilities or of the service available to them or through an inability to express their needs effectively. Services offered include offering advice and guidance on issues ranging from money, debt and benefits advice to employment, housing and family issues.	Contribution towards the salaries of the Director, Operations Manager, Generalist Advice Service Manager, Money Advice Supervisor, Money Advice Caseworker, Money Advice Clerical Support and some running costs.	3-year		~	£152,660	This organisation is recommended for 3-year funding, as it was considered to be an organisation who plays a strategic role in partnership with the Council in supporting the Council's service areas, city-wide. The recommendation is for a 3% increase on base budget, which was prior to the 'one off' grant from corporate reserves previously received.
Derby Community Accountancy Service The organisation delivers audit services, payroll services, financial management courses and problem solving to voluntary and community groups.	Contribute to the salary of the community Accountant, Assistant Accountant and some running costs.	3-year		~	£18,540	This organisation is recommended for 3-year funding, as it was considered to be an organisation who are concerned with supporting the voluntary and community sector infrastructure, city-wide. The grant represents a 3% increase in the grant awarded to the organisation in 2003/04.

Organisation and its role	What the organisation requested the grant for	Bid for 1-year or 3-year funding	Recommended for 1-year or 3-year funding by Panel		Recommended amount	Reasons for amount recommended
Derby Council for	Contribution to	3-year	1 year	3 year ✓	£95,960	This organisation is recommended for
Voluntary Services The organisation promotes any charitable purposes for the benefit of the community in the City. Services offered include information, training, representation and capacity building.	the salaries of the Director, Personnel Development Manager, Finance Manager, Information Services Officer, Policy Manager, Management Advisor and Administrative Support, plus some running costs.					 3-year funding, as it was considered to be an organisation who are concerned with supporting the voluntary and community sector infrastructure, city-wide. The grant represents a 3% increase in the grant awarded to the organisation in 2003/04.

Organisation and its role	What the organisation requested the grant for	Bid for 1-year or 3-year funding	Recomr for 1-ye 3-year f by Pane	ar or unding el	Recommended amount	Reasons for amount recommended
			1 year	3 year		
Derby Furniture Project The Project offers a furniture and electrical goods recycling service and provides training and work experience for unemployed volunteers in order to develop skills and enhance opportunities.	Contribution towards the salaries of the Project Manager, Driver and some running costs.	3-year			£44,000 + potential 3% = £45,320	 This organisation is not recommended for 3-year funding, as it did not meet the recommended criteria. It is recommended for 1-year funding as it met the recommended criteria. It is recommended that the organisation receive a grant at base budget only, holding back a 3% increase for six months, on condition that they show they have applied for other sources of funding. Coupled with this is an offer of support from the Council to assist them in seeking alternative funds. For example, this could include NRF Community Chest, NRF Learning Chest and various Trust funds nationally. Furthermore, they could consider new funding for social enterprises through Social Enterprise East Midlands. A final option would be to consider a small increase in their handling charges. The organisation is fundamental to the work of the Housing Options Centre and Derby Homes.

Organisation and its role	What the organisation requested the grant for	Bid for 1-year or 3-year funding	Recommended for 1-year or 3-year funding by Panel 1 year 3 year		Recommended amount	Reasons for amount recommended
Derby Law Centre The organisation provides a free confidential legal advice service and representation in courts and tribunals to alleviate the disadvantage and hardship caused to people through lack of knowledge of their legal rights.	Contribute to the salaries of the Chief Executive, Senior Solicitor, Employment Caseworker (supervisor), Social Welfare Law Caseworker (Supervisor) and Administrative Support Officer.	3-year			£132,520	This organisation is recommended for 3-year funding, as it was considered to be an organisation who plays a strategic role in partnership with the Council in supporting the Council's service areas, city-wide. The grant represents a 3% increase in the grant awarded to the organisation in 2003/04.
Derby Millennium Network DMN is a black led development agency that provides advice, information and assistance to the black voluntary sector in Derby. It seeks to influence local policies and decision makers on the services provided to the black community. It also provides a range of training opportunities.	Funds are required to support the salary cost of the Chief Executive and contribute towards the general running cost of the organisation.	3-year		Ý	£47,380	This organisation is recommended for 3-year funding, as it was considered to be an organisation that plays a strategic role in partnership with the Council in supporting the Council's service areas, city-wide. It was also considered to be an organisation concerned with supporting the voluntary and community sector infrastructure, city-wide. The grant represents a 3% increase in the grant awarded to the organisation in 2003/04.

Organisation and its role	What the organisation requested the grant for	Bid for 1-year or 3-year funding	for 1-year or 3-year funding by Panel		Recommended amount	Reasons for amount recommended
Derby Racial Equality Council The organisation aims to promote equality of opportunity, tackle discrimination by working in harmony with local agencies and seeks to build good community relations among the different racial groups in Derby. It will encourage working relationships with statutory, voluntary and the private sector working towards influencing and changing policies and practices that address race equality issues.	Funds are required to support the cost of the Employment Officers post and contribute towards the general running cost of the organisation.	3-year	1 year	3 year ✓	£68,260	 This organisation is recommended for 3-year funding, as it was considered to be an organisation who plays a strategic role in partnership with the Council in supporting the Council's service areas, city-wide. They were also considered to be an organisation that is concerned with supporting the voluntary and community sector infrastructure, city-wide. The grant represents a 3% increase in the grant awarded to the organisation in 2003/04. Conditions of the grant are that the organisation: develops a more robust management committee, which is representative of the communities it serves. The organisation must show, by the end of the first quarter, that they have taken appropriate steps to improve representation of the management committee introduces robust monitoring procedures around proposed outcomes and outputs and this will be received on a quarterly basis, with an annual review in the fourth quarter of each year.

Organisation and its role	What the organisation requested the grant for	Bid for 1-year or 3-year funding	for 1-ye 3-year f by Pane	unding el	Recommended amount	Reasons for amount recommended
Derby Racial Equality Council continued Derby West Indian	Funds are	3-year	1 year	3 year	£24,720	The organisation must have the CLS Quality Mark in place before the first payment is made. Any CGB grant awarded for 2006/07 is subject to developments around new proposed Regional Single Equality Bodies. This organisation is not recommended
Community Association – DWICA The Association offers a range of services to promote the social, cultural, educational and leisure needs of its community.	required to support the cost of a caretaker's post and to contribute towards the general running cost of the organisation.					 for 3-year funding, as it did not meet the recommended criteria. It is recommended for 1-year funding as it met the recommended criteria. The grant represents a 3% increase in the grant awarded to the organisation in 2003/04. Conditions of the grant are that the organisation: provides the correct level of advice within the framework of the CLS Quality Mark held only provides immigration advice if it holds the appropriate registration required by the Home Office.

Organisation and its role	What the organisation requested the grant for	Bid for 1-year or 3-year funding	Recommended for 1-year or 3-year funding by Panel		Recommended amount	Reasons for amount recommended
Derbyshire Association for the Blind - DAB To enhance the quality of visually impaired people by providing a comprehensive range of services and activities.	Contribution towards the salary of Personal Assistant.	3-year	1 year	<u>3 year</u>	£5,540	This organisation is recommended for 3-year funding, as it was considered to be an organisation that plays a strategic role in partnership with the Council in supporting the Council's service areas, city-wide. The application from this organisation is new to the CGB process. The recommendation however, is to enable the organisation to access further funding sources. It was recommended that the organisation look at 'Access to Work' for alternative funding. The amount recommended is felt to be appropriate, given other funding which could be accessed. The organisation has a role to play in informing how the Council responds to visually impaired people. The organisation works closely with the Sensory Team in Social Services and the Disabled People's Advisory Committee.

Organisation and its role	What the organisation requested the grant for	Bid for 1-year or 3-year funding	Recomi for 1-ye 3-year f by Pane	unding	Recommended amount	Reasons for amount recommended
Derbyshire Community Foundation The organisation is building an endowment fund to benefit people in Derby and Derbyshire. Using investment income from the fund and budgets managed on behalf of other agencies. They make grants to voluntary and community groups to tackle disadvantage and enhance the quality of local life.	Contribute to the salary of the Executive Director.	3-year	1 year	<u>3 year</u> ✓	£2,580	This organisation is recommended for 3-year funding, as it was considered to be an organisation that plays a strategic role in partnership with the Council in supporting the Council's service areas, city-wide. They were also considered to be an organisation that is concerned with supporting the voluntary and community sector infrastructure, city-wide. The grant represents a 3% increase in the grant awarded to the organisation in 2003/04.
Derbyshire Housing Aid They aim to prevent and alleviate the suffering caused by homelessness and poor housing through the provision of independent specialist advice, advocacy and representation.	Contribute to the salary of a Housing Caseworker.	3-year		~	£9540	This organisation is recommended for 3-year funding, as it was considered to be an organisation that played a strategic role in partnership with the Council in supporting the Council's service areas, city-wide. The organisation is fundamental to the work of the Housing Options Centre. They have also become a key partner across the Council. The grant represents a 3% increase in the grant awarded to the organisation in 2003/04.

Organisation and its role	What the organisation requested the grant for	Bid for 1-year or 3-year funding	for 1-year or 3-year funding by Panel		Recommended amount	Reasons for amount recommended		
Derwent Stepping Stones Nursery and Community Training Centre The organisation is a nursery facility offering quality, affordable and flexible childcare for local people, in order to support them back into work, training or education.	Contribution to the subsidised childcare places for individuals on training courses or those entering employment for the first time contribute towards general running costs	3-year	1 year ✓	<u>3 year</u>	£12,360	This organisation is not recommended for 3-year funding, as it did not meet the recommended criteria. It is recommended for 1-year funding as they met the recommended criteria. The grant represents a 3% increase in the grant awarded to the organisation in 2003/04.		
Disability Direct The organisation facilitates independent living opportunities for disabled people residing or working in Derby. This is done through the provision of a fully accessible drop in shop front information, advice and counseling service to all communities in the city.	Contribution towards the salaries of the Chief Executive, Administrator, Welfare Rights Officers and some running costs.	3-year		~	£18,030	This organisation is recommended for 3-year funding, as it was considered to be an organisation that plays a strategic role in partnership with the Council in supporting the Council's service areas, city-wide. The grant represents a 3% increase in the grant awarded to the organisation in 2003/04.		

Organisation and its role	What the organisation requested the grant for	Bid for 1-year or 3-year funding	for 1-year or 3-year funding by Panel		Recommended amount	Reasons for amount recommended		
Play & Recycling Centre - PARC Provide services to play, childcare and educational organizations and promote the concept of recycling and re-use through a number of services: scrapstore, office furniture and a community re-paint scheme.	Contribution towards the Centre Co-ordinators salary.	3-year	1 year ✓	<u>3 year</u>	£11,210	This organisation did not meet the criteria for 3-year funding, but is recommended for 1-year funding as they met the recommended criteria. The grant represents a 3% increase in the grant awarded to the organisation in 2003/04.		
Victim Support - Derby and South Derbyshire To support in a practical and emotional way the victims of crime.	Rent costs on the building the organisation occupies.	3-year			0	This organisation is not recommended for funding, as it did not meet the recommended criteria. It is felt that this organisation should be supported to access other funding streams. The grant application was to pay rent to the Council for the rental of their premises, which are owned by the Council. For this reason, it was proposed to support the organisation in other ways if possible. Concerns were expressed about the accessibility of the building, particularly in regard to the Disability Discrimination Act.		
Racial Harassment Advice and Support						We are awaiting an application to support this area of work.		

ITEM 13

COMMUNITY GRANTS BUDGET FINANCIAL SUPPORT TO VOLUNTARY AND COMMUNITY ORGANISATIONS 2003/04

Report of the Director of Policy

SUMMARY OF REPORT

- 1.1 Cabinet is asked to approve funding of £823,000 from the Community Grants Budget – CGB – and from corporate resources to voluntary and community organisations for 2003/04, subject to finalisation of the Council's budget.
- 1.2 The Appendix shows the amount we are recommending for each organisation.

OPTIONS CONSIDERED

- 2.1 We received thirty applications for funding from the CGB, totalling £1,305,838. Each application for funding has been appraised by officers against organisational "fit for purpose" and delivery of the Council's corporate objectives. Consideration was given to whether individual organisations met the criteria for the Community Grants Budget, and how to allocate the overall budget among different organisations. The criteria for funding from CGB are to support organisations which:
 - support the voluntary and community sector infrastructure
 - make communities powerful
 - deliver services in line with the remit of the Policy Directorate
 - test out and deliver innovative approaches to service delivery.
- 2.2 Consideration was also given to the difficulties experienced by applicant organisations if the full amount of their application was not met.

RECOMMENDATION

3. To approve the payment of funding totalling £823,000 as outlined in the Appendix to this report, subject to finalisation of budget provision by the Council, and subject to the arrangements set out in paragraph 5.7 of this report.

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 4.1 Community Grants Budget allocations need to be notified to applicant organisations before the beginning of the 2003/04 financial year. The detailed reasons for the recommendations are set out under matter for consideration.
- 4.2 The Community Grants Budget for 2003/04 is fully committed.

MATTER FOR CONSIDERATION

- 5.1 This report sets out the recommendations for Community Grants Budget – CGB – funding to be paid to voluntary organisations next year.
- 5.2 A number of organisations have applied for funding this year which have not received CGB funding previously, including Disability Direct, the Asian Advisory Service and Derbyshire Housing Aid. We recommend support to these groups of £9,620, £5,000 and £17,500 respectively. In order to offer support to these groups, which are assessed as providing good quality services, we recommend reduced funding to some established organisations that we funded in 2002/03 or, at the very least, retaining their funding at pre-inflation levels.
- 5.3 We recommend providing £2,500 to the Derbyshire Community Foundation to support their core costs to enable the organisation to be effective in distributing the Community Empowerment Fund grants to the voluntary sector. The Council did not provide funding to this group in 2002/3 but has done so in the past. We are also recommending a small increase to Austin Community Enterprise because of its key position within a priority neighbourhood, and a one-year increase only to the Derby Citizens Advice Bureau to assist on a transitional basis with the organisation's operational shortfall.
- 5.4 We recommend withdrawing funding from two organisations, the Derbyshire Gypsy Liaison Group, because they are not intending to apply for the LSC Quality Mark, and Osmaston Community Association because we do not consider its advice service meets required standards.
- 5.5 We recommend reducing funding to the following organisations from 2002/3 levels on the basis that they have the capacity to diversify their sources of funding:
 - Derby West Indian Community Association
 - Derby Association of Community Partners
 - Business in the Community
 - Derby Furniture Project
 - Derwent Stepping Stones Nursery
 - DAHRTI
 - Derby Shopmobility.
- 5.6 All other organisations are proposed to be funded at 2002/3 levels. We recommend that the funding for the Racial Harassment Advice and Support project is offered only on satisfactory completion of the proposed review of the service to make sure that the service is regarded as effective by all funding partners.

- 5.7 In accordance with the principles approved by the Policy Committee in 1997, and the requirement for organisations giving legal advice to have gained the Legal Services Commission Quality Mark in order to qualify for Council funding, we propose that each CGB grant is offered on the following conditions:
 - the full year's funding be approved in principle and a letter to that effect is sent out as soon as possible
 - six months' funding is released in advance in April 2003
 - all grants to be subject to a written agreement between the organisation and the Council, setting out specific conditions of grant and any additional monitoring requirements
 - all organisations, before being paid the remaining grant for the year, to provide annual accounts and a statement of grant expenditure for 2002/03, to provide ongoing satisfactory quarterly financial monitoring reports and to have a formal review meeting with officers where the organisation has a grant over £10,000
 - all advice-giving organisations, as specified in the Cabinet report of 17 December 2002, to have gained or made a verifiable application for the LSC Quality Mark by 31 March 2003.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

6. The level of annual grants recommended in this report can be contained in the Community Grants Budget for 2003/04 of £800,000, plus an additional one-off sum of £23,000 that will be met from corporate budgets for 2003/04.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

7. Each organisation receiving a grant will be required to enter into a funding agreement with the Council.

PERSONNEL IMPLICATIONS

8. None.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

9. None.

EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS

10. The service and activities of the groups recommended to receive funding are targeted on the grounds and areas identified in the Council's equalities and social inclusion policies.

Organisation	Organisation's role	Grant is for	Grant requested 03/04 £	Grant received 02/03 £	Recommendation 03/04 £
CGB001 Derby Citizens Advice Bureau Progressive Building Sitwell Street Derby DE1 2JT Based in Arboretum ward	The organisation ensures that individuals do not suffer through lack of knowledge of their rights and responsibilities or of the service available to them or through an inability to express their needs effectively. Services offered include offering advice and guidance on issues ranging from money, debt and benefits advice to employment, housing and family issues	The recommendation could contribute to running costs and the salaries of the Director, Operations Manager, General Advice Service Manager, two Money Advice Workers and Money Advice Administrator.	175,205	161,201	175,210
CGB002 Derby Law Centre Balcony B5 Market Hall Derby DE1 2DB Based in Arboretum ward	The organisation provides a free confidential legal advice service and representation in courts and tribunals to alleviate the disadvantage and hardship caused to people through lack of knowledge of their legal rights.	The recommendation could support the Chief Executive, Senior Solicitor, Administration Officer, two Advice Workers and running costs.	137,055	128,660	128,660
CGB003 Derby CVS 4 Charnwood St Derby DE1 2GT Based in Arboretum ward	The organisation promotes any charitable purposes for the benefit of the community in the City. Services offered include information, training, representation and capacity building.	A contribution to the posts of Director, Deputy Director, Finance Officer, Information Services Officer, Policy Manager, Administrator, Receptionists and some running costs.	102,134	93,160	93,160

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Organisation	Organisation's role	Grant is for	Grant requested 03/04 £	Grant received 02/03 £	Recommendation 03/04 £
CGB004 Derby Racial Equality Council 31 Normanton Rd Derby DE1 2GJ Based in Arboretum ward	The organisation aims to promote equality of opportunity, tackle discrimination by working in harmony with local agencies and seeks to build good community relations among the different racial groups in Derby. It will encourage working relationships with statutory, voluntary and the private sector working towards influencing and changing policies and practices that address race equality issues.	Funds are required to support the cost of the Employment Officers post and contribute towards the general running cost of the organisation	142,258	51,270 & 15,000	66,270
CGB005 Osmaston Community Association 45 Varley Street Allenton Derby DE24 8DE Based in Sinfin ward	Provides information and advice to support the residents of the Osmaston Area.	Quality of Welfare Rights advice is not adequate to meet required standards necessary to fund this project.	2,541	2,520	0
CGB006 Derbyshire Community Foundation The Old Nursery Uni of Derby Chevin Avenue Mickleover Derby DE3 5GX Based in Mickleover ward	The organisation is building a capital fund to benefit people in Derby and Derbyshire. Using investment income from the fund and budgets managed on behalf of other agencies. They make grants to voluntary and community groups to tackle disadvantage and enhance the quality of local life.	The recommendation will contribute to the salary of the Executive Director.	6,000	0	2,500

Organisation	Organisation's role	Grant is for	Grant requested 03/04 £	Grant received 02/03 £	Recommendation 03/04 £
CGB007 Asian Women's Training Association 293 Normanton Rd Derby DE23 6UU Based in Arboretum	Aims to enhance the employment prospects of Asian women by providing a range of educational courses, vocational training and job search skills.	Funds are required to support the salary of the Project Manager.	93,650	4,140	4,140
ward					
CGB008	Provide services to play, childcare and	Contribution towards the Co-	17,271	10,880	10,880
Play and Recycling Centre 6-10 Werburgh St Derby DE22 3QG	educational organisations and promote the concept of recycling and re-use through a number of services: scrapstore, office furniture and a community re-paint scheme.	ordinators salary and running costs.			
Based in Abbey ward					
CGB011 Derby Women's Centre 4 Leopold St Derby DE1 2HE Based in Arboretum	The organisation offers a caring and relaxing environment for women seeking help, support and advice. They aim to improve the quality of life of women in Derby.	Contribute towards the Centre Co- ordinator, Projects Workers, Creche Worker and running costs.	43,702	38,270	38,270
ward					
CGB012 Derbyshire Chinese Welfare Association 110-122 Abbey St Derby DE22 3SQ	They provide information, advice and support to Chinese people in Derby, with a particular aim of working to make mainstream service provision in the City fully accessible to the Chinese	Contribution to running costs.	4,000	3,370	3,370
Based in Abbey ward					

Organisation	Organisation's role	Grant is for	Grant requested 03/04 £	Grant received 02/03 £	Recommendation 03/04 £
CGB013 Derby West Indian Community Association Carrington St Derby DE1 2 ND	The Association offers a range of services to promote the social, cultural, educational and leisure needs of its community. They also provide advice on welfare and immigration issues.	Funds are used to support the cost of a caretaker's post and to contribute towards the general running costs of the organisation.	54,630	28,700	24,000
Based in Arboretum ward					
CBG014 Derby Gypsy Liaison Group C/o 188 Alfreton Road Blackwell Alfreton Derbyshire DE55 5JH Based in Blackwell	They provide support, information and assistance to traditional travelling families. The group also raise awareness and understanding to the social conditions of the Gypsy families in Derby and Derbyshire.	This organisation has been offered the opportunity to apply for the quality mark but refused. We therefore cannot fund the organisation because they have refused to agree to the criteria for applications as an advice giving service.	600	550	0
Ward in Alfreton CGB015	The organisation seeks to co-ordinate	The recommendation would contribute	17,000	8,700	5,000
Derby Association of Community Partners 4 th Floor Boden House London Rd Derby DE1 2PH	and disseminate, housing information to tenants in Derby and support the network of Community Partners.	towards the salary of the Resource Centre Manager.		0,700	3,000
Based in Arboretum ward					

Organisation	Organisation's role	Grant is for	Grant requested 03/04 £	Grant received 02/03 £	Recommendation 03/04 £
CGB016 Racial Harassment Advice and Support 31 Normanton Rd Derby DE1 2GJ Based in Arboretum ward	To promote the elimination of racial harassment as a community wide responsibility, monitor and evaluate all racial incidents and work towards their reduction.	The recommendation is the council's contribution towards the salary cost of the Co-ordinator's post.	48,510	5,580	5,580
CGB017 Business in the Community C/o Derby Specialist Fabrications Sinfin Lane Derby DE24 9GJ Based in Normanton ward	They aim to actively engage local companies in the social and economic regeneration of disadvantaged communities.	The recommendation will contribute to the salary of the Derbyshire Area Manager.	19,867	14,000	10,000
CGB018 SUPORT Ltd Community Enterprise Centre Sheridan Street Sinfin Derby DE24 9HG Based in Sinfin ward	To provide a comprehensive service for the residents of Sinfin offering access to job vacancies, benefits advice, debt counselling and training facilities.	The recommendation will contribute to the salaries of the Manager, Centre Co-ordinator, Administrator and the Caretaker, along with some running costs.	39,890	31,730	31,730

Organisation	Organisation's role	Grant is for	Grant requested 03/04 £	Grant received 02/03 £	Recommendation 03/04 £
CGB019 Derby Furniture Project The Mill Coke Street Derby DE1 1NE	The Project offers a furniture and electrical goods recycling service and provides training and work experience for unemployed volunteers in order to develop skills and enhance opportunities.	The recommendation will support the Project Manager and Driver and contribute to the running costs of the project.	47,525	46,100	44,000
Based in Abbey ward					
CGB020 Derwent Stepping Stones Nursery and Training Centre St Marks Rd Derby DE21 6AH	The organisation is a nursery facility offering quality, affordable and flexible childcare for local people, in order to support them back into work, training or education.	Contribution to Nursery staff and running costs	20,000	16,550	12,000
Based in Derwent ward					
CGB022 DAHRTI Moor Lane Allenton Derby DE24 9HY	The organisation is a horticultural training project offering NVQ training in commercial/amenity horticulture. They also offer educational and social welfare activities to people with special needs.	The recommendation is to contribute to the cost of the Project Manager.	5,000	5,000	2,500
Based in Sinfin ward					

Organisation	Organisation's role	Grant is for	Grant requested 03/04 £	Grant received 02/03 £	Recommendation 03/04 £
CGB023 Communications Unlimited Flat 1 Perth House Athlone Close Chaddesden Derby DE21 4BP	They provide quality communication services for deaf people in Derby and Derbyshire who are deaf or who have hearing, sight, speech or manual dexterity impairments.	The grant pays for an equivalent full time interpreter for Derby.	64,012	31,540	32,310
Based in Derwent ward					
CGB025 Derby Shopmobility The Coach Park Derby Bus Station The Morledge Derby DE1 2AY Based in Arboretum	The organisation provides the free loan of powered scooters and wheelchairs, and manual wheelchairs to people with impaired mobility.	The recommendation would contribute to five salaries and some running costs.	31,466	21,540	17,630
ward					
CGB026 Austin Community Enterprise 8 Browning Circle Derby DE23 8AR	The organisation offers information and advice, advice, office services and a library from their Advice Centre. The Childcare and Training Centre provides facilities for children and training courses.	The recommendation will contribute to the salary of the part time Administrative Assistant.	10,000	3,090	4,500
Based in Normanton ward					

Organisation	Organisation's role	Grant is for	Grant requested 03/04 £	Grant received 02/03 £	Recommendation 03/04 £
CGB031 Age Concern Derbyshire 29a Market Place Heanor Derbyshire DE75 7EG Based in Arboretum ward	They provide information and advice, volunteering opportunities and benefit checks for older people	The recommendation could contribute towards the manager's salary and running costs.	15,000	10,000	10,000
CGB032 Derby Millennium Network 93 Friar Gate Derby DE1 1FL Based in Abbey ward	DMN is a black led development agency who provides advice, information and assistance to the black voluntary sector in Derby. They seek to influence local policies and decision makers on the services provided to the black community. They also provide a range of training opportunities.	Funds are required to support the salary cost of the Chief Executive and contribute towards the general running cost of the organisation.	84,582	46,000	46,000
CGB033 Derby West Indian Association Credit Union 5 Whiston St Derby DE23 8GL Based in Arboretum ward	The project offers a financial service to individuals who are unable to access mainstream financial institutions. It provides a saving and loans facility and financial advice.	A contribution towards the running costs of the organisation	29,700	5,530	5,530

Organisation	Organisation's role	Grant is for	Grant requested 03/04 £	Grant received 02/03 £	Recommendation 03/04 £
CGB035 Disability Direct 227 Normanton Road Derby DE23 6UT Based in Arboretum	The organisation facilitates independent living opportunities for disabled people residing or working in Derby. This is done through the provision of a fully accessible drop in shop front information, advice and counselling service to all communities in the City.	The recommendation could contribute to four staff salaries and some running costs.	37,885	15,000 (Corporate underspend)	17,500
ward					
CGB036 Derbyshire Housing Aid 46 Curzon St Derby DE1 1LL Based in Arboretum ward	They aim to prevent and alleviate the suffering caused by homelessness and poor housing through the provision of independent specialist advice, advocacy and representation.	The recommendation would contribute to core staff salaries and running costs.	35,355	0	9,260
CGB037 Derby Community Accountancy Service Babington Lodge 128 Green Lane Derby DE1 1RY	The organisation delivers audit services, payroll services, financial management courses and problem solving to voluntary and community groups.	The recommendation would contribute to the Salary of the Community Accountant plus some running costs.	21,000	18,000	18,000
Based in Arboretum ward					

Organisation	Organisation's role	Grant is for	Grant requested 03/04 £	Grant received 02/03 £	Recommendation 03/04 £
CGB039 Asian Advisory Service 28 Peartree Rd Derby DE23 6PY Based in Arboretum ward	The organisation provides a range of information and advice services including immigration, asylum, housing, welfare rights, debt and volunteering opportunities.	A contribution towards running costs.	0	0	5,000
			£1305,838	£816,081	£823,000