

COUNCIL CABINET 15 MARCH 2005

Report of the Director of Social Services

Joint Funding Commitments to the Social Care Voluntary Sector 2005/06

RECOMMENDATION

1. To approve the arrangements and financial commitments for schemes receiving Joint Funding for 2005/2006 as detailed in Appendix 2 of this report.

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION

- 2.1 Cabinet is asked to approve the arrangements for the Joint Funding Programme for 2005/2006. These are joint commitments between Derby Social Services Department and one or more of the following: Greater Derby Primary Care Trust, Central Derby Primary Care Trust, Southern Derbyshire Primary Care Trusts and Derbyshire County Council. These funding arrangements were first supported through the Joint Finance programme with Southern Derbyshire Health Authority.
- 2.2 The recommendations for 2005/2006 are uplifted in line with inflation only, except where specified in the supporting information, below. The agency providing the majority of the funding usually assumes responsibility for the administration of the funding arrangements, although this is not always the case.
- 2.3 Where Derby Social Services is the lead agency, it is recommended that Joint Funding should be increased by 2.7% for 2005/2006, in line with Derby City Council's overall inflationary increase to voluntary sector grants. It is expected that the Primary Care Trusts will provide the same inflationary increase, as this has been the case in previous years. Any schemes administered by Derbyshire County Council will be increased in line with the County Council's increases to the voluntary sector.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 3.1 A full list of schemes funded is attached at Appendix 2. The Appendix reflects the total amount offered through Joint Funding and also shows the amount that Derby Social Services will contribute. This list does not include any funding supplied under separate grant programmes or separate contracts by any of the agencies.
- 3.2 Service Level Agreements are in place for almost all the Joint Funding schemes and the remainder will be completed during 2005/2006. The same arrangements for monitoring and review are made for these organisations as are made for organisations funded through the Social Services mainstream funding programme.

3.3 Requests for additional funding

Several organisations currently in receipt of joint funding have requested an increase on previous years, over and above inflation. The reasons for these requests, together with recommendations, are set out below.

3.4 **Derbyshire Appropriate Adult Scheme** provides an independent appropriate adult for people with learning disabilities or mental health problems, or who are vulnerable and have been detained by the police. Owing to substantial increases in the volume of referrals received by the Appropriate Adult Scheme, the current level of service cannot be maintained without a substantial increase in funding. The original Service Level Agreement in October 2001 was based on an estimated 400 call-outs per annum. The estimated number of call-outs for 2004/05 is over 1,000 and is expected to increase in subsequent years. The Appropriate Adult Scheme currently receives Joint Funding from the City Council and Derbyshire County Council, with approximately 40% of referrals coming from Derby and 60% from the County. At the beginning of 2004/05, the funding from the City and County Councils reflected these ratios. However, Derbyshire County Council agreed to increase their funding by £7,000 for 2004/05 and subsequent years. During 2004/05, an additional one-off sum of £5,000 was provided by Derby Social Services, to help cover the organisation's funding deficit. It is therefore recommended that the additional contribution of £5,000 should be maintained from 2005/06.

In the course of the partners' consideration of the demand pressures, Derbyshire Police have agreed to enter into a tripartite 3-year funding agreement with the City and County Councils, to help meet the increase in demand for this service. The police have agreed to provide an additional £23,000 in 2005/06.

With this increased funding, the total joint funding for the scheme will be £77,970. The contribution from Derby Social Services will be £22,187.

Primary Care Trust and Derby Social Services for a Health and Social Care Partnership Officer post. This is a key post, in terms of developing the capacity of the black and minority ethnic voluntary sector. The funding for this post from Central Derby PCT came to end in September 2004, however, further funding has been secured to enable the post to continue from April 2005. Derby Social Services previously contributed less than 40% towards the cost of this post. Derby Millennium Network have requested additional funding, to enable the post to be advertised as full time. It is therefore recommended that Derby Social Services provides an additional £6,973, to bring the department's contribution to a maximum of 50%, with the PCTs providing the balance, and to provide sufficient funding for a full time post. This will be subject to redevelopment of the SLA underpinning the aims and objectives of the post.

With the increased funding, the total joint funding for the post will be £33,121 (assuming a 2.7% increase on the PCT contribution). The total contribution from Derby Social Services will be £16,778.

3.6 **Derbyshire MIND** has requested an additional £2,963 over and above inflation, to

fund 1 extra day per week of the Quality Manager's post, to cover the costs of maintaining the Community Legal Service (CLS) Quality Mark. It should be acknowledged that, as with any quality standard, there are resource implications for maintaining the CLS Quality Mark. However, other organisations have been required to achieve and maintain the CLS Quality Mark within existing funding levels, therefore additional funding for this one organisation cannot be recommended.

The current joint funding for Derbyshire MIND for 2004/05 is £294,107, with a contribution from Derby Social Services of £102,376. With the 2.7% inflationary uplift, the total joint funding for 2005/06 will be £302,047, with a contribution from Derby Social Services of £105,140.

OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

4. Not applicable.

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Background papers:

List of appendices: Appendix 1 – Implications

Appendix 2 – List of schemes & proposed funding

IMPLICATIONS

Financial

- 3.1 The budget of £405,282 for the Derby Social Services contribution to Joint Funded schemes, as shown at Appendix 2, is already identified within the budget strategy for voluntary and community sector support.
- 3.2 The 2005/06 budget includes provision for the 2.7% uplift to joint funded voluntary sector grants. However, the percentage uplift is determined by the lead agency, therefore may differ slightly from the 2.7% allocated. Any necessary adjustments will be made once the lead agency uplifts are known.

Legal

2. Powers to offer 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.

Personnel

3. None

Equalities Impact

4. The services and activities of the organisations named in this report support vulnerable children and adults across all communities.

Corporate Objectives and Priorities for Change

5. This accords with the Council's objective of **healthy**, **safe and independent communities** and furthers the priority of **modernising social care**.

Voluntary Sector Joint Funded Schemes

	04/05 TOTAL		05/06 TOTAL	Paying Lead		
ORGANISATION NAME	FUNDING	INCREASE	FUNDING	Body	CITY 04/05	CITY 05/06
Aekta Carers	13,506	2.7%	13,870	Central PCT*	6,753	6,935
CamTAD, Southern Derbyshire	41,627	2.7%	42,750	City Council	13,737	14,107
Children First	34,542	2.7%	36,501	Central PCT*	17,271	17,737
Derby and South Derbyshire Crossroads	73,072	2.7%	75,044	SD/Dales*	24,113	24,764
Derby CVS	120,918	2.7%	124,182	Greater PCT*	51,726	53,122
Derby Millennium Network	25,462	2.7% + £6,972	33,121	Central PCT*	9,548	16,778
Derbyshire Assoc. for the Blind	33,960	2.7%	34,876	SD/Dales*	4,799	4,928
Derbyshire Advocacy Service	6,399	2.7%	6,571	SD/Dales*	1,024	1,051
Derbyshire Appropriate Adult Scheme	41,515 (+ £7,000County; £5,000 City mid- year payments)	£7,000 County;	77,635	County Council*	16,606	22,054
Derbyshire Carers	144,379	2.7%	148,277	Erewash*	9,384	9,637
Derbyshire MIND	294,107	2.7%	302,047	Central PCT*	102,376	105,140
Derbyshire Rape Crisis	37,790	2.7%	38,810	Greater Derby*	14,716	15,113
Disability Direct	17,823	2.7%	18,304	Greater Derby*	8,912	9,152
Homestart Derby	25,584	2.7%	26,274	Central PCT*	12,792	13,137
Mencap Gateway Scheme	16,753	2.7%	17,205	Erewash PCT*	2,094	2,150
MHA Derby Live at Home Project	19,023	2.7%	19,536	Central PCT*	9,512	9,768
Opieka	22,447	2.7%	23,053	Central PCT*	11,223	11,526

Osmaston Family Project	35,723	2.7%	36,687	City Council	17,861	18,343
Padley Group	14,782	2.7%	15,181	City Council	7,391	7,590
Ukrainian Day Care	11,593	2.7%	11,906	Central PCT*	5,797	5,953
Umbrella	88,915	2.7%	91,315	Central PCT*	26,674	27,394
Umbrella - Bi-Lingual Project	28,831	2.7%	29,696	Central PCT*	8,644	8,903
TOTALS	£1,160,751		£1,222,841		382,953	405,282

^{*} Inflationary uplift still to be confirmed by the paying lead body