ITEM 21



COUNCIL CABINET 16 MARCH 2004

Report of the Director of Policy

Derby Compact Forum Budget – Grant to Derby CVS

RECOMMENDATION

1. To approve the reallocation of £5,580 Community Grants Budget 2003/04 from the Racial Harassment Project to Derby CVS to support the Derby Compact, as a 'one-off' grant.

REASON FOR RECOMMENDATION

 The amount of £5,580 of 2003/04 Community Grants Budget is likely to remain unallocated. There is no budget allocated for any costs for the Derby Compact Forum. Reallocation to Derby CVS will assist them with the start-up costs of Compact Forum work for the Voluntary Sector.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 3.1 The Derby Compact Forum was formally launched in November 2003, following adoption of the Derby Compact in June 2001. It is meeting on a quarterly basis and comprises equal representation from both the Voluntary Sector and the Council.
- 3.2 The purpose of the Derby Compact Forum is to:
 - translate the principles of the Derby Compact into actions, and to review progress on these
 - take a proactive and developmental role in promoting effective working relationships between Derby City Council and the Voluntary and Community Sector.
- 3.3 There is no specific budget available to support the work of the Compact Forum. Derby CVS lead and support the Voluntary Sector side representation on the Forum, but are not funded to do so.

- 3.4 Derby CVS have estimated the costs of Compact Forum work, from November 2003 to March 2004 as £6,290. This includes elements for:
 - Director's time
 - Policy Manager's time
 - administration costs
 - training costs
 - voluntary sector representatives' out of pocket expenses.
- 3.5 The Racial Harassment Project was previously approved for a grant of £5,580 for the financial year 2003/04, from the Council's Community Grants Budget. However, this currently remains 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. The same amount plus a 3% inflationary increase has been built into the Community Grants Budget recommendations for 2004/05.

OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

4. There are no other sources of available funding to support the Derby Compact.

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Background papers:	None	
List of appendices:	Appendix 1 – Implications	

IMPLICATIONS

Financial

1. The recommendation will allocate the remaining £5,580 of the 2003/04 Community Grants Budget.

Legal

2. None.

Personnel

3. None.

Corporate objectives and priorities for change

4. The proposal supports the 2004/07 Corporate Plan priority of enhancing the community leadership role of the Council both at strategic and neighbourhood level, through partnership working and listening to, and communicating with, the public.