



DERBY CITY COUNCIL

COUNCIL CABINET 13 JANUARY 2004

Report of the Director of Education

Grants to Sports and Community Groups

RECOMMENDATION

- 1.1 To approve the application for grant aid to two voluntary community organisations as detailed below and at appendix 2 and 3:
 - Chaddesden Hall Community Centre - £1,500
 - Spondon Community Association - £1,618
- 1.2 To approve the application for grant aid to Derby & District Table Tennis Association for £2,223 towards the cost of staging the City of Derby 4 Star Select Junior Table Tennis Tournament as detailed at Appendix 4.

REASON FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

2. The organisations applying for grant aid meet the Council's criteria and objectives for grant funding schemes.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 3.1 The community organisations provide social, educational and cultural events for the benefit of the inhabitants of the surrounding area.
- 3.2 The City of Derby 4 Star Select Junior Table Tennis Tournament is one of the top five national junior events in the country and it attracts the best junior players in the British Isles. The tournament provides publicity for the city and is a focus for table tennis excellence amongst young people.

OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

- 4.1 The application from the two voluntary community organisations and from Derby & District Table Tennis Association do not meet the necessary funding criteria for the National Lottery Awards for All Scheme.

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| Background papers: | Grant Application Form |
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| | Appendix 2 - Chaddesden Hall Community Association |
| | Appendix 3 - Spondon Community Association |
| | Appendix 4 - Derby & District Table Tennis Association |

IMPLICATIONS

Financial

- 1.1 The annual revenue budget for grants to outside bodies and organisations for 2003/04 is £17,415. So far this financial year £3,940 has been committed, leaving a balance of £13,475.
- 1.2 The annual revenue budget for grants to voluntary sports organisations for 2003/04 is £28,825, which includes accruals of £6,500. So far this financial year £22,266 has been committed, leaving a balance of £6,559.

Legal

- 2 Powers to fund these schemes are granted under Section 19 Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976.

Personnel

- 3 None.

Corporate Themes and Priorities

- 4 Supporting voluntary organisations contributes to the Themes and Priorities of the Council. Specifically, grant aid contributes to the following themes:

- success through learning
- fairer society
- safer communities
- value for money

and to the following priorities:

- improving children's and young people's prospects
- improving life chances for disadvantaged people and communities
- making the way we live more sustainable
- improving access to services.

GRANTS TO COMMUNITY ORGANISATIONS

CHADDESSEN HALL COMMUNITY CENTRE

Chaddesden Hall Community Centre is owned by Derby City Council and is managed by a small, voluntary, independent Committee. The Committee works very hard organising many fund raising events. Its objectives are to promote the benefit of the inhabitants of the surrounding area and to provide facilities in the interest of social welfare and leisure time occupation.

No individual or group is excluded whatever their nationality, creed, colour, religion or disability.

Chaddesden Hall Community Centre is seeking a grant of £1,500 to cover all the cost of:

- a portable loop system
- redecoration of the kitchen.

The loop system for the hard of hearing will be made available to all Centre users.

Chaddesden Hall Community Centre is upgrading their kitchen area, which they will pay for out of the Centre funds.

The Association had a balance of £2,588 at the end of December 2002. This represents less than one year's running costs for the Centre.

It is recommended that the Association be awarded grant aid of £1,500 to cover all the cost.

GRANTS TO COMMUNITY ORGANISATIONS

SPONDON COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

Spondon Village Hall Community Centre is owned by Derby City Council and is managed by a voluntary, independent Committee. Spondon Village Hall is used by many different groups of all ages. They run a café on four mornings a week in the Conference Room. The main hall is used for many different social occasions. Its objectives are to promote the benefit of the inhabitants of the surrounding area and to provide facilities in the interest of social welfare and leisure time occupation.

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Spondon Community Association is seeking a grant of £1,618 to cover all the costs of:

- curtains for the main hall and conference room.

The curtains have been cleaned and fireproofed several times but now need replacing.

The Association had a balance of £14,817.31 on 5 April 2003. This represents less than one year's running costs for the Centre.

The Association has submitted several successful grant applications in the past few years. They were awarded £2,000 for kitchen refurbishment in July 2002 and £2,000 for new tables and chairs in June 2001.

It is recommended that the Association be awarded grant aid of £1,618 to cover all the cost.

GRANTS TO VOLUNTARY SPORTS ORGANISATIONS

DERBY AND DISTRICT TABLE TENNIS ASSOCIATION

This organisation was formed in 1946 and provides opportunities for Derby people of all ages to play all standards of table tennis. There are currently 17 clubs in the Association with over 300 members.

The Association holds introductory table tennis sessions at Mackworth and St Augustines and hold regular coaching courses at schools in the City.

It requires grant aid funding of £2,223 to assist with the cost of hiring Moorways Sports Centre for two days in March 2004 for the City of Derby 4 Star Select Junior Open Tournament. The total cost of the event is estimated at £6,624. This event is classed as one of the top five national junior events in the country and it attracts the best junior players in the British Isles.

Last year this organisation was granted £2,030 to cover the hire cost of Moorways Sports Centre for the same event.

The balance sheet for the year ending 31 March 2003 shows that the Association has liquid assets of approximately £4,788.

This is a prestigious competition for Moorways Sports Centre and it is recommended that the organisation is granted £2,223.

The grant will be subject to the organisation meeting the following specific conditions:

- the organisation continues to work with the Council's Sports Development Unit to promote the future development of the sport within the City
- the grant aid is paid direct to Moorways Sports Centre for the use of the facilities.