

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Decision Report

Decision Maker:	Executive Member For Communities
Date:	2 August 2010
Title:	Basingstoke and Deane Hampshire Action Team (HAT): request for funding toward a Food Aid Project from the HATs Community Budget
Reference:	1915
Report From:	Chief Executive

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1. Executive Summary

1.1 The purpose of this paper is to seek approval for funding for £2,000 to support a Food Aid Bank in Basingstoke called Food Aid 4 U.

2. Contextual information

2.1 The project is looking for start up costs, assistance with venue hire costs (YMCA- £10 an hour), purchase of bags or food boxes, volunteer travel/petrol expenses, purchase of non perishable essential food items, purchase of a laptop to use during food distribution, to record vouchers and update stock check lists (see Appendix C for the detail).

2.2 This project meets the HAT terms of reference in that it tackles economic, social and health inequalities by providing a service to vulnerable people in need.

2.3 Checks have been made which verify that this is a bona fide organisation.

3. Finance

3.1 The total funding allocation available to the Basingstoke and Deane HAT is £70,000

3.2 The amount remaining following previous successful applications is £60,000

3.3 The amount of funding requested is £2,000 and the detail of the bid is set out in the application form accompanying this report (Appendix C).

4. Legal Implications

4.1 The County Council has the power under S137 (3) of the Local Government Act 1972 to incur expenditure on contributions to any of the following funds,

(a) the funds of any charitable body in furtherance of its work in the United Kingdom;

(b) the funds of any body which provides any public service (whether to the public at large or to any section of it) in the United Kingdom otherwise than for the purposes of gain;

Basingstoke Food Aid 4U is a voluntary body providing a public service otherwise than for gain and is therefore eligible for a grant under S137 (3)"

5. Monitoring

5.1 The intended outcomes of the project are outlined in the attached application forms accompanying this report .

5.2 A detailed monitoring report setting out the final outcomes of the project will be sent out for completion at the end of the project.

6. Other key issues

6.1 Senior Officers in Children's Services and Adult Services are aware of this application and have raised no concerns.

7. Statements of Support

7.1 This application has the majority support of Basingstoke and Deane HAT Members. No HAT Members declared an interest when the funding bid was discussed at a HAT meeting on t21 June 2010.

8. Recommendation(s)

8.1 That £2,000 of funding be awarded to Basingstoke Food Aid 4U from the Basingstoke and Deane HAT Community Budget for 2010/11 only.

CORPORATE OR LEGAL INFORMATION:**Links to the Corporate Strategy**

Hampshire safer and more secure for all:	yes
Corporate Improvement plan link number (if appropriate):	
Maximising well-being:	yes
Corporate Improvement plan link number (if appropriate):	
Enhancing our quality of place:	yes
Corporate Improvement plan link number (if appropriate):	

Section 100 D - Local Government Act 1972 - background documents

The following documents discuss facts or matters on which this report, or an important part of it, is based and have been relied upon to a material extent in the preparation of this report. (NB: the list excludes published works and any documents which disclose exempt or confidential information as defined in the Act.)

DocumentLocation

None

IMPACT ASSESSMENTS:**1. Equalities Impact Assessment:**

1.1. This project specifically targets vulnerable people who are facing financial hardship (job loss, homeless, substance or alcohol abuse). The Basingstoke Food Aid 4U will be working with partner agencies- Camrose Centre and Salvation Army to identify vulnerable people.

2. Impact on Crime and Disorder:

2.1. There are no adverse impacts arising from this report.

2.2. Climate Change:

- a) How does what is being proposed impact on our carbon footprint / energy consumption?
N/A.
- b) How does what is being proposed consider the need to adapt to climate change, and be resilient to its longer term impacts?
N/A.