

## HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

### Executive Decision Record

<b>Decision Maker:</b>	Executive Member for Policy and Resources
<b>Date:</b>	9 March 2011
<b>Title:</b>	Annual Grants to Voluntary and Community Organisations
<b>Reference:</b>	2345
<b>Report From:</b>	Chief Executives Department

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#### 1. The decision:

- a. That decisions on grants to those organisations listed in Paragraph 4 of the report be approved for 2011/12 and that Community Action Hampshire and the district Councils of Voluntary Service be asked to consider and make recommendations on how best to achieve further reductions in 2012/13.
- b. That the application process and criteria be streamlined to fit the corporate grants work stream.
- c. That from the start of the 2012/13 financial year the Part B organisations be taken out of the annual grant round and encouraged to apply for funding when they require it during the financial year.
- d. That in addition to (a) above, no further grant be made to the Winchester Centre and that the funding earmarked for this grant be redirected to discharging the balance of the loan relating to the refurbishment of the Winchester Centre.

#### 2. Reason(s) for the decision:

- 2.1. The County Council recognises the value of working with voluntary and community organisations and the contribution they make to help the County Council deliver its aims and objectives. The role of the County Council in supporting and helping to build capacity in the sector is essential as it seeks ways to develop an approach to the "Big Society".

#### 3. Other options considered and rejected:

3.1. Not to agree the grants. This would have a detrimental impact on the Council's ability to support smaller voluntary organisations who provide valuable services to local communities.

**4. Conflicts of interest:**

4.1. Conflicts of interest declared by the decision-maker:

4.2. Conflicts of interest declared by other Executive Members consulted:

**5. Dispensation granted by the Standards Committee: none.**

**6. Reason(s) for the matter being dealt with if urgent: not applicable.**

**7. Statement from the Decision Maker:**

**Approved by:**

**Date:**

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**Executive Member for Policy and Resources  
Councillor T K Thornber, CBE**