

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**Decision Report**

Decision Maker:	Executive Member for Communities and International Relations
Date:	31 January 2011
Title:	Funding request from Haslar Immigration Removal Centre for art workshops via the Hampshire Action Team for Gosport
Reference:	2489
Report From:	Chief Executive

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1. Executive Summary

1.1. The purpose of this paper is to seek approval for funding of £1,500 for art workshops to be held in the Education Department of Haslar Immigration Removal Centre. The monies to be met from Gosport HAT Community Budget.

2. Contextual information

2.1. Haslar Immigration Removal Centre is operated by Her Majesty's Prison Service and is one of a small number of centres across the United Kingdom. Haslar holds 160 male detainees from all countries around the world who are detained pending a decision about their case.

2.2. Art is very popular within the education department and is an excellent medium for expression which overcomes language barriers. This application is for 5 art workshops, details of which are included in the application form.

3. Finance

3.1 The total funding allocation available to the Gosport HAT is £100,000.

3.2 The amount remaining following previous successful applications is £37,965.

3.3 The amount of funding requested for this project is £1,500 and the details are set out in the application form accompanying this report.

4. Legal Implications

- 4.1. The County Council is able to utilise broad powers under the Local Government Act 1972 to provide financial support for the arts. In particular, Section 145 of the Act enables the Council to contribute towards the expenses of doing anything necessary or expedient for any of a number of purposes, including the provision of entertainment of any nature, or the provision of a theatre, concert hall, dance hall or other premises suitable for entertainment. The powers include the ability to contribute towards the development and improvement of the knowledge, understanding and practice of the arts.

5. Monitoring

- 5.1 The intended outcomes of the project are outlined in the application form accompanying this report. 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. There are no other key issues associated with this request.

7. Statements of Support

- 7.1 This application has total support of the whole HAT who wish to support this socially excluded sector of their community.
- 7.2 The HAT Chairman, HAT officer and Senior manager visited Haslar Immigration Removal Centre to discuss the project and had opportunity to look around the Centre and talk to several detainees.
- 7.3 The Executive Member for Adult Social Care has been made aware of this application and no adverse comment has been received.

8. Recommendation

- 8.1. That the Executive Member for Communities and International Relations approves a sum of £1,500 to be awarded to Haslar Immigration Removal Centre for art workshops, from the Gosport Hampshire Action Team Community Budget for 2010/11 only, with no expectation of funding for future years.

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):	

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

1.1. There are no adverse implications.

2. Impact on Crime and Disorder:

2.1. This project is for detainees held at Haslar Immigration Removal Centre, Gosport.

3. Climate Change:

a) How does what is being proposed impact on our carbon footprint / energy consumption?

This project has no detrimental impact on climate change.

b) How does what is being proposed consider the need to adapt to climate change, and be resilient to its longer term impacts?

Please see above.