

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**Decision Report**

Decision Maker:	Executive Member for Policy and Resources
Date of Decision:	10 July 2012
Decision Title:	Grants to Voluntary Organisations and Other Bodies
Decision Reference:	3752
Report From:	Chief Executive

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1. Executive Summary

1.1. The purpose of this paper is to consider 2 applications received for financial assistance from the Policy and Resources budget whose details are outlined in Appendix 2 to this report.

2. Budget position

2.1. The balance available for allocation at 10 July 2012 is £304,247 after grants approved at the last decision day, commitments made in previous years and sums earmarked for specific purposes.

2.2. A grant request was also received from Wetwheels Charitable Fund to take part in the Queen's Diamond Jubilee Pageant held last month. In view of the timing of the event, the Chief Executive, in consultation with the Executive Member, agreed a grant of £1,000 and it is reported here for information purposes

3. Criteria of grant

3.1. A copy of the criteria used for allocating grants is attached as Appendix 1 to this report.

4. Recommendations:

- i. That applications from The Prince's Trust and No Limits are not approved for funding from this budget for the reasons given in Appendix 2 of this report.
- ii. That the award of a £1,000 grant to Wetwheels Charitable Fund towards the Queen's Diamond Jubilee River Pageant be noted.

CORPORATE OR LEGAL INFORMATION:

Links to the Corporate Strategy

Hampshire safer and more secure for all:	No
Corporate Business plan link number (if appropriate):	
Maximising well-being:	Yes
Corporate Business plan link number (if appropriate):	
Enhancing our quality of place:	Yes
Corporate Business 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

Application form received from organisations

Chief Executive's Department

IMPACT ASSESSMENTS:

1. Equalities Impact Assessment:

1.1 The application procedure includes equalities monitoring information as agreed as part of the corporate review of grants programmes and procedures. Further information can be found on individual requests.

2. Impact on Crime and Disorder:

2.1. The County Council has an obligation under Section 17 of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998 to consider the impact of all decisions it makes on the prevention of crime. The proposals in this report aim to improve the wellbeing of Hampshire residents and reduce the risk of crime occurring.

FUNDING CRITERIA FOR THE POLICY AND RESOURCES GRANTS

The following criteria should be taken into consideration when preparing a submission for funding. They are intended as guidelines and not prescriptive rules

1. Assistance will be considered only in response to direct applications from properly constituted organisations seeking assistance. You must show in your application that your organisation is properly and legally organised and has its own bank account.
2. Where appropriate, applications will be referred to the relevant service department (e.g. Adult Services, Culture, Communities and Business Services, Children's Services, etc) for consideration.
3. Preference will be given to applications for specific projects or activities rather than general running costs of organisations. These grants are not intended to replace shortfalls in service delivery budgets or replace funding for other support you may be able to obtain, or that you have obtained from us in the past.
4. Grants will not usually be made in respect of applications from the following:-
 - District or Parish Councils
 - Government Institutions
 - Schools
 - Overseas and out of County organisations which have no direct Hampshire involvement
 - Branches or organisations assisted centrally with a sum from the County Council
 - Bodies requesting funds for onward distribution to other charities e.g. mayoral appeals, carnivals, fetes, or for their own fundraising events.
5. Applications will not be accepted from political parties or groups affiliated with a political party or from lobbying/campaigning organisations.
6. Applications will only be considered from faith groups who can demonstrate their facilities are open and used by the local community other than for church related activities and then only for works in relation to the Disability Discrimination Act.
7. Requests may be considered from County wide groups (e.g. Guides, Scouts, Hampshire County Youth Orchestra) for specific trips, e.g. for an international jamboree or cultural tour. Individual requests will not usually be considered.
8. Where possible self-help within organisations should be encouraged and to this end, grants are normally a percentage of the sum required to complete the project.
9. As a general rule, grants in excess of £5,000 will not be awarded.
10. In general only award grants to projects which are taking place in the same year as application for funds

**PRINCE'S TRUST, HAMPSHIRE
HOG ORG NO: 1288**

PURPOSES FOR WHICH FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE IS SOUGHT

The Prince's Trust supports young people in the UK to change their lives and get into work, education or training. The project will deliver programmes across Hampshire supporting disadvantaged young people aged 13-30, by ensuring the infrastructure is in place to support over 250 young people a year. Programmes that will be delivered are:

- XI Clubs for young people at risk of exclusion to re-engage with learning
- Team- a 12 week personal development programme to support employed young people by providing workplace skills, a qualification and a work place.
- Get Into-providing short courses for unemployed people
- Get Started-Intensive short courses to engage young people in arts and sports
- Fairbridge- individually tailored personal development programmes and one to one support
- Enterprise- for young people interested in self employment

Total Expenditure: £862,300

Total Income: £157,300

Shortfall: £705,000

APPLICATION ADDRESSED TO:

Leader of the Council

AMOUNT OF REQUEST

£60,000 (£20,000 annually until 2114/15)

**GRANTS PREVIOUSLY AWARDED BY OTHER EXECUTIVE MEMBERS AND
CONSIDERATION GIVEN BY OTHER LOCAL MEMBERS**

Executive Member for Culture and Recreation- £20,000 from 2011/12, 2012/13,
2013/14- 19-25 Youth Employment Support Work

COMMENTS OF LOCAL MEMBER

The Prince's Trust is a UK wide organisation and the Southampton branch will be carrying out his project across the county.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS/ EQUALITY INFORMATION

This organisation is a registered charity and is therefore eligible for a grant under S137 (3) of the Local Government Act 1972.

The programmes offered are available for anyone aged 13 to 30 irrespective of their race, disability, gender, religion or belief and sexual orientation. The project will advance equality for everyone by encouraging young people to work together on the programmes offered.

GENERAL COMMENTS

Director of Children's Services: The Executive Member for Culture and Recreation approved £20,000 to the Prince's Trust for 3 years from 2011/12 towards 19-25 Youth Employment Support Work, following that the funding was transferred to Children's Services to manage and monitor the grant.

RECOMMENDATION

NIL

NO LIMITS, SOUTHAMPTON
HOG ORG NO: 3950

PURPOSES FOR WHICH FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE IS SOUGHT

No Limits provides free and confidential information, advice, counselling and advocacy for under 26 year olds. The project JUST4U will provide support to children who are looked after by Hampshire Children's Services by providing advocates and independent visitors. Advocates ensure that the wishes of the child are heard when they attend meetings such as review meetings and family group conferences. Independent Visitors act as a long term contact for the children, offering support, stability and advice on a one to one basis. The funding request is to purchase laptops for the Advocates to use in meetings with young people, they will also be used by the young people accessing software to support their communication with the advocate and others. The funding will also go towards enabling the Independent Visitors to take the young people on outings.

Total Expenditure: £7,200 (£2,000- x4 laptops, £4,800- support for young people's days out, Franklin Language Translator x4- £100, Picture Exchange Communication System- £300

Total Income: none

Shortfall: £7,200

APPLICATION ADDRESSED TO:

Leader of the Council

AMOUNT OF REQUEST

£7,200

GRANTS PREVIOUSLY AWARDED BY OTHER EXECUTIVE MEMBERS AND CONSIDERATION GIVEN BY OTHER LOCAL MEMBERS

None

COMMENTS OF LOCAL MEMBER

The organisation operates county-wide and therefore there is no local Member

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS/ EQUALITY INFORMATION

This organisation is a registered charity and is therefore eligible for a grant under S137 (3) of the Local Government Act 1972.

This project is for young people under 25 and ensures that looked after young people are not discriminated against and therefore beneficial to the community.

GENERAL COMMENTS

Director of Children's Services: Children's service commissions this organisation to deliver the Advocacy Services described in the application under contract per annum. As this is a commissioned service it is not appropriate to grant fund.

RECOMMENDATION

NIL