

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Decision Report

Decision Maker:	Executive Member for Culture, Recreation and Countryside
Date:	20 June 2013
Title:	Grant Funding for Culture and Community Organisations 2013/14
Reference:	4883
Report From:	Director of Culture, Communities and Business Services

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1. Executive Summary

- 1.1. This report seeks approval from the Executive Member for Culture, Recreation and Countryside for £41,880 of grants from the Culture and Community Activity Grants 2013/14.

2. Summary of Grants

2.1. Culture and Community Activity Grants 2013/14

	£
Asian Welfare and Cultural Association (AWCA)	1,000
Avon Valley Concerts	1,000
East Petersfield Community Group	0
Eastleigh Youth Trust	2,800
Even Keel, Hayling Island	Defer
Farnborough Gate Bowling Club	0
Gosport Community Safety Partnership	500
Greater Rushmoor Nepalese Community (GRNC)	0
Hamble Valley Brass	0
Hampshire Athletics	5,000
Hampshire Bowls Development Alliance (HBDA)	1,600
Havant Multicultural Forum	1,000

Headley Down Community Association (HDCA)	5,000
Jane Scarth House, Romsey	0
National Trust, Mottisfont Abbey	0
North Baddesley Youth and Community Group	0
Pilands Wood Community Association, Eastleigh	2,500
Romsey Beggars Fair	1,000
Romsey Community Lantern Project	1,000
Sebastian's Community Help Projects, Eastleigh	0
Solent Music Festival, Lymington	0
South East Reserve Forces' and Cadets' Association	Transfer
St. Andrew's Church, Dibden Purlieu	3,000
The Berry Theatre, Hedge End	3,000
The Petersfield Musical Festival	1,000
The Phoenix Theatre and Arts Centre, Bordon	2,940
The Point Youth Theatre, Eastleigh	0
The Rose Road Association, Southampton	1,540
The Spencer Music Festival, Shedfield and Wickham	1,000
Wet Picnic, Winchester	2,000
Winnall Rock School	5,000
Total	£41,880

- 2.2 A further £24,000 has been added to the grants budget for 2013/14 from the Policy Fund to bring the total left to spend to £48,500. If all the grants above are approved then there will be £6,620 left. On this basis it is recommended that the Activity and Organisational Grants schemes are closed until the autumn when they will be opened for 2014/15.

3. Other Key Issues

- 3.1. Legal Implications: The Council has wide powers under Section 19 Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 to provide recreational facilities and to contribute by way of a grant or loan towards the expenses incurred by voluntary bodies in providing such facilities and activities.

4. Recommendation(s)

- 4.1. That the Executive Member for Culture, Recreation and Countryside:
- i) Approves grants for £41,880 from the Culture and Community Activity Grants 2013/14, as set out in Appendix 2.
 - ii) Closes the Activity and Organisational grant schemes for 2013/14.

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

Hampshire safer and more secure for all:	no
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):	

Other Significant Links

Links to previous Member decisions:		
<u>Title</u>	<u>Reference</u>	<u>Date</u>
Direct links to specific legislation or Government Directives		
<u>Title</u>	<u>Date</u>	

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. A high level Equalities Impact Assessment has been undertaken. It identified that the proposed changes to the grants are intended to have a positive impact and advance equality by creating a more open and transparent funding programme.

2. Impact on Crime and Disorder:

- 2.1. Not applicable.

3. Climate Change:

- 3.1. How does what is being proposed impact on our carbon footprint / energy consumption?

Not applicable.

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

Not applicable.

Culture and Community Activity Grants (Culture, Communities and Business Services - CCBS)

Purpose

The purpose of the Culture and Community Activity Grants is to provide general support to groups and organisations which encourage and provide opportunities for individuals and communities to participate in community-focused, cultural and recreational activities.

This programme funds projects and proposals which support the priorities and outcomes in Hampshire's 'Open for Business' Plan 2011-13 which are most relevant to CCBS. These are:

- Improved quality of life for all, particularly those who are vulnerable or disadvantaged.
- Enhance community engagement and partnership working – strengthening and empowering communities.
- Enhance Hampshire's environment and promote sustainability.

Grant Eligibility Criteria and Who Can Apply

We will fund organisations and services who fulfil the following criteria:

- The services, projects or activities of the organisation support the priorities detailed above.
- The organisation has a clear management structure within its constitution or suitable governance/terms of reference.
- The organisation must be able to demonstrate that without the support from Hampshire County Council the activity/event would not be able to proceed at all or to the extent outlined in the application.
- Organisations with significant funds in place or higher levels of reserves must demonstrate why funding from Hampshire County Council is needed.
- The organisation must have actively sought funding from other sources, including district, borough, town or parish council funding. Priority will be given to applications which have partner funding in place from other sources.

All successful applicants will be required to provide appropriate reporting and/or monitoring for their service, projects and/or activities.

Funding criteria

Culture and Community Activity Grants will fund up to a maximum of £5,000.

We can match fund business sponsorship up to £500. The sponsorship you are receiving must be monetary, we can not match fund any in kind sponsorship, e.g. free/subsidised marketing. Match funding must be a minimum of £200 per business and businesses must be first time sponsors. Maximum of one application per organisation per year.

Financial Eligibility

Organisations will not normally be eligible for grants where they hold unallocated reserves in excess of one year's running costs. In cases where reserves held

exceed this level a reduced level of funding may be agreed. All charitable organisations are expected to have an agreed reserves policy that addresses their financial risk.

What do we fund?

- Any high quality project that delivers measurable results against the objectives set out above.
- Countryside access and rights of way projects.
- Conservation projects to benefit the habitat or species particularly important to a site.
- Community, cultural or recreational projects, activities or events that provide opportunities for local people to become involved.
- Match funding for business sponsorship (please see Funding Criteria below)

What we can't fund

- Individuals
- Further or higher education fees, personal development or training fees for individuals
- Curriculum based activities
- Building based capital works
- Capital schemes – i.e. buying instruments, equipment or uniforms.
- Setting up an organisation
- General running costs of an organisation
- Profit making events/activities
- Services, projects or activities solely within the unitary authority areas of Portsmouth City Council and Southampton City Council
- Uniformed groups such as Scouts, Girl Guides etc

Please note we cannot retrospectively fund works or projects that have already been carried out. Grants are issued for works or projects to be carried out in the future.

When can I apply for a grant?

Culture and Community Activity Grants are available all year round.