

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**Decision Report**

Decision Maker:	Executive Member for Culture, Recreation and Countryside
Date:	16 September 2014
Title:	Grant Funding for Culture and Community Organisations 2014/15
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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 £20,596 of Culture and Community Activity grants 2014/15 to cultural, recreational and community organisations across Hampshire.
- 1.2 The report notes the recommendation made for the Organisational Change Fund 2014/15 to refuse the funding request from Portchester and District Community Association CIO.
- 1.3 This report also seeks approval from the Executive Member for Culture, Recreation and Countryside to close the Culture and Community Activity Grants and the Organisational Change Fund schemes for the rest of 2014/15. It is recommended £35,000 of funding left unallocated from the Culture and Community grants budget 2014/15 is transferred to the Community Buildings Capital Fund budget 2014/15.

2. Culture and Community Activity Grants

- 2.1 The purpose of this grant stream is to provide general support, up to a maximum of £5,000, to groups and organisations which encourage and provide opportunities for individuals and communities to participate in community focussed, cultural and recreational activities. Full details, including what the County Council can and cannot fund, are set out in Appendix 1.

2.2 15 organisations have applied for funding and the details are set out in Appendix 2.

3. Organisational Change Fund

3.1 The purpose of the Organisational Change Fund is to support specific, time-limited projects for organisations to achieve efficiencies and reduce on-going dependency on grant funding. This could include the exploration of developing new ways of working in partnership to deliver services to primarily support a reduction in organisational costs and create alternative funding opportunities. Full details, including what the County Council can and cannot fund, are set out in Appendix 3.

3.2 Portchester and District Community Association CIO submitted an application to the Organisational Change Fund 2014/15 (details in Appendix 4) to support the restructuring of the organisation to deliver refocused activities and services in a sustainable, fresh manner within their newly acquired premises.

3.3 Portchester and District Community Association received an Organisational Change Fund grant of £9,740 in 2013/14 to support the organisation go through a significant period of change as they moved out of the community building from which they operated at the time. The organisation used the funding to develop new models of delivery for their needs led community services, activities and programmes. A condition was attached to the grant which ensured the organisation developed a robust business plan for new delivery models and organisational stability.

3.4 The organisation has recently acquired new, more permanent premises (different from the premises the organisation moved to initially during 2013/14) and was granted £25,000 by the Executive Member for Culture, Recreation and Countryside on 22 July 2014 from the Community Buildings Capital Fund 2014/15. This grant will support the phase 2 building developments within the new premises.

3.5 Due to the nature of the proposal, the recent grant funding awarded from Hampshire County Council and wider support available for many elements included within the proposal, it is recommended this application is not supported.

4. Culture and Community grants Budget Position	£
Budget Approval for 2014/15	1,267,000
Grants previously approved for 14/15	1,202,565
Grants recommended for 16 September Decision Day	20,596
Remaining balance available	43,839

- 4.1 There are unlikely to be many more applications for Activity Grants in 2014/15 as the activity needs to have been completed by the end of March 2015 in order to qualify for a grant. At the same time the Community Buildings Capital Fund is over subscribed and there are likely to be more applications over the winter as it is an on-going fund i.e. as a capital fund, any money not spent by the end of 2014/15 is carried over into 2015/16. It is therefore recommended that the Culture and Community grants budget 2014/15 is closed and a balance of £35,000 is transferred to the Community Buildings Fund.

5. Other key issues

- 5.1 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.

6. Recommendations

- 6.1 That the Executive Member for Culture, Recreation and Countryside:
- i) Approves £20,596 of Culture and Community Activity grants 2014/15 to cultural, recreational and community organisations across Hampshire.
 - ii) Notes the recommendation not to support the Organisational Change Fund 2014/15 application from Portchester Community Association CIO.
 - iii) Approves the closure of the Culture and Community Activity grants and Organisational Change Fund schemes.
 - iv) Approves the transfer of £35,000 of funding left unallocated from the Culture and Community grants budget 2014/15 to the Community Buildings Capital Fund budget 2014/15.

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>
Exec Member for Culture and Recreation		20 January 2012
Exec Member for Culture and Recreation		14 May 2012
Exec Member for Culture and Recreation		4 December 2013
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.)

<u>Document</u>	<u>Location</u>
None	

IMPACT ASSESSMENTS:

1. Equality Duty

- 1.1. The County Council has a duty under Section 149 of the Equality Act 2010 ('the Act') to have due regard in the exercise of its functions to the need to:

Eliminate discrimination, harassment and victimisation and any other conduct prohibited under the Act;

Advance equality of opportunity between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic (age, disability, gender reassignment, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, gender and sexual orientation) and those who do not share it;

Foster good relations between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic and persons who do not share it.

Due regard in this context involves having due regard in particular to:

The need to remove or minimise disadvantages suffered by persons sharing a relevant characteristic connected to that characteristic;

Take steps to meet the needs of persons sharing a relevant protected characteristic different from the needs of persons who do not share it;

Encourage persons sharing a relevant protected characteristic to participate in public life or in any other activity which participation by such persons is disproportionately low.

1.2 Equalities Impact Assessment:

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.

1. Impact on Crime and Disorder:

- 2.1 Not applicable.

3. Climate Change:

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

Not applicable.

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

Not applicable.

Appendix 1

Hampshire County Council Grant Criteria for Culture and Community Activity Grants (Culture, Communities and Business Services - CCBS)

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 within Hampshire to participate in community-focused, cultural and recreational activities. Culture and Community Activity Grants will fund up to a maximum of £5,000.

This programme funds projects and proposals which support the priorities and outcomes in Hampshire's ['Open for Business' Plan 2011-13](#);

- 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 criteria and eligibility

We will fund eligible organisations who fulfill **all** of the following criteria:

- The proposed programme, project or activity of the organisation is a cultural, community, recreational or community conservation activity/project that encourages and provides opportunities for individuals and communities within Hampshire to participate.
- The programme, project or activity must also support one or more of the Open for Business Plan 2011- 2013 priorities detailed above.
- The organisation has a clear management structure within its constitution or suitable governance/terms of reference.
- The organisation must have actively sought funding from other sources, this could include district, borough, town or parish council funding. Priority will be given to applications which have partner funding in place from other sources.
- 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.

All successful applicants will be required to provide appropriate reporting and/or monitoring for their service, projects and/or activities. Organisations will be expected to have appropriate policies, procedures and levels of insurances in place. This will include child and vulnerable adult protection/safeguarding policies, health and safety policy, a minimum of £5m Public Liability and £5m Employers Liability Insurance.

Applications to other County Council grant schemes for the proposed project will be considered when reviewing applications.

Business Sponsorship - additional criteria and eligibility

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 a high level of unallocated reserves, particularly in excess of one year's running costs. In cases where reserves held are felt to be high or exceed one year's running costs a reduced level of funding may be agreed. All charitable organisations are expected to have an agreed reserves policy that addresses their financial risk. Organisations must submit their last audited/examined accounts or financial summary when applying to this scheme.

What is funded

- Community, cultural, recreational or community conservation projects, activities or events that provide opportunities for local people to become involved.
- A high quality eligible project, programme or activity that delivers measurable results against the priorities set out above.
- Match funding for business sponsorship.

What isn't funded

- 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.
- Website development projects or medical/complimentary treatment activities
- Setting up an organisation
- General running costs of an organisation
- Profit making events/activities
- District or Borough Councils
- 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, military groups 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.

Culture and Community Activity Grants 2014/15
Application assessment summary

Each grant application has been assessed against the Culture and Community Activity Grant criteria (Appendix 1) using a standard template.

Project funding requests

Organisation	Project Title Total project costs	Proposal	Amount Requested	Amount recommended activity grant 2014/15
Apples and Snakes <i>(Southampton based organisation although project delivery in Netley, Eastleigh)</i>	Netley Military Hospital Project £2,300	<p>The organisation seeks funding to explore and animate the heritage of Netley Military Hospital and its role in World War One; through spoken word and poetry workshops with young people, culminating in a live event on site.</p> <p>The project will commission an emerging professional performance poet from the region, to create a new piece of work. This will be performed at The Chapel in Royal Victoria Country Park and will be part of a live public event with 40 young people aged 10-15. They will perform specially created work having participated in workshops on site to create spoken word and poetry in response to the heritage of the site and World War One. The organisation intends to work in partnership with the Berry Theatre creative learning team and local schools, who will provide in kind match funding.</p> <p>The organisation has not requested funding from Eastleigh Borough Council although is committing £600 of their own funds.</p> <p>The project provides an opportunity for a group of young people in a partially deprived area to commemorate World War One. The organisation will be working in partnership with The Berry Theatre and Royal Victoria Country Park. There is no clear evidence that the workshops will benefit the wider community. Councillor House supports this application.</p> <p>It is recommended Apples and Snakes are awarded £500 to support the workshops for young people.</p>	£1,700	£500
Avon Valley Concerts	Concert series 2014-15	<p>The organisation seeks funding to run a programme of concerts of classical chamber music by national and international artists in Ringwood and Fordingbridge. The 2014-15 season of Friday evening concerts includes: Alessandro Taverna, piano, the David Pyatt Trio (horn, oboe and piano), Dieci</p>	£1,000	£1,000

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<p><i>Avon Valley Concerts</i></p> <p><i>(based in Christchurch although project delivery in Ringwood and Fordingbridge)</i></p>	<p>£11,150</p>	<p>voices, Martin Bickerton, guitar, and the Gould Piano trio. In addition the organisation is planning a Sunday afternoon concert in January. 150 people are expected to benefit.</p> <p>The project brings musicians of national and international standard to local audiences, including young people, which supports the sustainability of live classical music. The project provides an art form otherwise unavailable locally, particularly for those who are unable to travel to other cities.</p> <p>Councillor Rippon-Swaine and Councillor Edward have been consulted.</p> <p>It is recommended Avon Valley Concerts is granted £1,000.</p>		
<p>Big UpWords & Teapoet Collective</p> <p><i>(based in Andover with project delivery in Romsey and Andover)</i></p>	<p>Afternoon performance/ poetry cafes- Jam not Slam</p> <p>£2,965</p>	<p>The organisation requests funding for running monthly performance cafés starting in October through to March. A poetry café will be based in Romsey and a performance café in Andover, both aiming to develop the local community and support writing communities. It is envisaged the format would be 10 open microphone slots of about 3 minutes in addition to guest poet slots of 20 minutes. The organisation has identified that some poets need to gain the experience to allow them to perform in professional showcases and other, more vulnerable and disabled poets will benefit from performing in a more intimate, supportive environment. 60 people are expected to benefit.</p> <p>This project targets a variety of age groups, disabled poets and vulnerable young people, demonstrating a strong equality and diversity ethos. It will enable disabled poets and performers to have a voice in public, boosting their self-esteem and confidence. The organisation, through consultation with other groups and organisations has also identified a need for alcohol free performance venues for vulnerable people, particularly young people.</p> <p>Councillor West and Councillor Hooke have been consulted. Councillor Cooper supports this grant.</p> <p>It is recommended Big UpWords & Teapoet Collective is granted £956.</p>	<p>£956</p>	<p>£956</p>
<p>Hampshire Museums and Galleries Trust (HMG)</p>	<p>The Thornycroft Apprentices</p>	<p>The organisation seeks funding to work with 25 young people (aged 16-18) from Basingstoke College of Technology (BCOT) who will have the opportunity to learn, with the support of 10-15 volunteers, about the important role played by Thornycroft of Basingstoke in World War 1 and also produce a public exhibition for sharing with the wider community. Thornycroft of Basingstoke was one of the</p>	<p>£1,200</p>	<p>£1,200</p>

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<p>HMGT</p> <p><i>(Winchester based although project delivery in Basingstoke)</i></p>	<p>£10,800</p>	<p>main suppliers of vehicles to the military during WW1 and BCOT was specifically established close to the factory site in order to provide and train apprentices for Thornycroft. Current students at BCOT will research and discover the origins of the college and the important contribution that Thornycroft and its apprentices played in the Great War, their working conditions and their daily lives. Three sets of exhibition stands and materials will be created to share learning from the project with the widest possible local audience including Basingstoke College of Technology, Milestones Museum and also Morrisons Supermarket. 10,000 people are expected to benefit.</p> <p>The organisation has requested £9,600 from the Heritage Lottery Fund.</p> <p><u>Note:</u> HMGT were awarded £20,000 from the Culture and Recreation Investment Fund 2014/15 by the Executive Member for Culture, Recreation and Countryside on 4 December 2013 to support core organisational costs.</p> <p>The project will give young people an opportunity to learn how to research and develop a project that helps local people in Basingstoke town to find out about the local history of their area. The organisation is actively working in partnership with BCOT, local history groups and a local supermarket.</p> <p>Councillor Connor and Councillor Mather have been consulted.</p> <p>It is recommended HMGT is granted £1,200 for the creation of the exhibition materials which will be shown in and around the locality.</p>		
<p>Horndean Community Association (HCA)</p>	<p>Getting back into work through health & wellness support</p> <p>£11,000</p>	<p>HCA request funding to run a 1 year pilot for those who have suffered, are suffering, or recovering from, a health related condition offering support to get back to work. The project aims to work in partnership with health professionals and partner support organisations offering a bespoke programme of workshops, 1:1 support and awareness briefings, support materials, and events to enlighten employers of the business benefits of employing service users from these areas. 35 people are expected to benefit.</p> <p>HCA has requested £1,000 from East Hampshire District Council. A decision on this application will be made on 30 September 2014. A total of £2,000 has been requested from other sources.</p> <p><u>Note 1:</u> HCA were awarded £9,270 from the Community Investment Fund 2014/15 by the Executive Member for Culture, Recreation and Countryside on 4 December 2013 to support core organisational costs for 2014/15.</p> <p><u>Note 2:</u> HCA were awarded £2,820 from the Culture and Community Activity</p>	<p>£8,000</p>	<p>£0</p>

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HCA		<p>Grant scheme 2014/15 by the Executive Member for Culture, Recreation and Countryside on 20 January 2014 to support the Enhanced Employment Support Programme.</p> <p><u>Note 3:</u> HCA has submitted an application to the Community Buildings Capital Fund 2014/15 requesting £5,412 to support Enhancing Merchistoun Hall project. A decision on this application will be made by the Executive Member for Culture, Recreation and Countryside on 16 September 2014.</p> <p>As a targeted intervention for adults with health related illnesses and employers, this is not considered to be a cultural, recreational or community activity and therefore does not meet the Culture and Community Activity Grant criteria. The development of partnerships between HCA and health agencies is recommended as good practice within their core organisational activity. The organisation has also received a grant of £2,820 from the Culture and Community Activity funding this financial year to support the Stepping Stones Project which supports local members of the community get back into work (non health related) and also received £1,500 for this programme in 2013/14.</p> <p>Councillor Harvey agrees with the recommendation.</p> <p>It is recommended this application is not supported.</p>		
International Boatbuilding Training College (IBTC) Portsmouth Trust <i>(Portsmouth based organisation although project aims to benefit Hampshire residents)</i>	Boathouse 4 £5,000	<p>The organisation seeks funding to support the creation of a new publicly accessible exhibition plus international historic boat building and restoration training college in the regenerated Boathouse 4 building in Portsmouth Historic Dockyard. Hampshire County Council funding would contribute towards the volunteer led extensive research that will need to take place on the history and importance of small craft to the Navy with particular reference to the unique historic vessels which will go on display in April 2015. The organisation aims to have recruited approximately 70 active volunteers working in various capacities on and off site.</p> <p>The organisation has not requested any match funding from other sources. The proposal appears to be of high quality and aims to engage up to 70 Hampshire residents (not residents living in the unitary authorities of Portsmouth and Southampton) in volunteering opportunities that will benefit not only the volunteer participants but also a wide visitor audience.</p> <p>It is recommended International Boatbuilding Training College (IBTC) Portsmouth Trust is awarded £2,000 to support the recruitment and training</p>	£5,000	£2,000

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<i>IBTC</i>		of a minimum of 35 volunteers that are Hampshire residents by 31 March 2015. This award is also granted on the condition the organisation seek funding from other sources during the lifetime of the grant and that payments are staged. It is also recommended the organisation explore funding from the Armed Forces Community Covenant grant scheme.		
Joli Vyann <i>(Ringwood based performance company in Partnership with London producer)</i>	'Stateless' dance and circus outreach workshops £8,200	The Partnership seeks funding to run a series of dance/circus workshops based upon the Partnership's new show "Stateless" to local schools, universities and community groups including displaced people in the community. Six dance/circus workshops will be delivered between October 2014 and January 2015 within Hampshire. 'Stateless' explores the topical subject of refugees, immigration and journeys. The workshops aim to create a fun yet educational workshop environment and include activities of contemporary dance, contact and partner acrobatics. Participants will be invited to see 'Stateless' on stage at The Point Theatre prior to the workshops. The Partnership has requested £1,650 from the Arts Council. A decision on this application will be made on 28 August 2014. The Partnership also aims to secure £3,200 in match funding and income. Two of the workshops will be free of charge, providing an opportunity for a small group of young/displaced people. The performance may generate interest in workshops. Joli Vyann are working in partnership with schools and the Red Cross to identify displaced people in the local community. The Partnership has experience in sourcing groups to participate. This project offers a high standard of delivery opportunities for young people to access workshops and performances. Councillor Rippon-Swaine has been consulted. It is recommended Joli Vyann is awarded £900 to support the two free workshops.	£3,350	£900
Juno Theatre	Making Theatre Outreach Workshops for Young Women	The organisation seeks funding to tour theatre workshops to women 16-25 to involve them in participating in women's professional theatre. Juno's outreach project will take theatre to three groups of young women (one in Knights Enham, Andover, Hampshire and two in Wiltshire). The workshops will explore: 1) developing a theme, characters, and storyline, 2) developing dramatic tension through characters and plot and 3) integrating images and sound ready for performance. Plays will be based on the themes that are currently issues affecting	£1,500	£0

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<p><i>Juno Theatre</i> <i>(Salisbury based organisation although one element of the project will be delivered in Knights Enham, Andover)</i></p>	<p>£5,922</p>	<p>young women such as body image, cyber-bullying and sex and relationships. 60 people are expected to benefit. The application suggests the organisation has requested £2,000 from Wiltshire County Council and Tidworth Town Council. A decision on these applications will be made on 1 September 2014. The organisation has also requested £1,247 from Grants for the Arts. The Hampshire element of the project mentions Knights Enham in Andover. This is a very small village, which would indicate low numbers of the target group. It is not clear on how the organisation will identify and engage participants from such a location and benefit wider Hampshire residents. The majority of the project will be delivered in Wiltshire. Councillor Gibson has been consulted. It is recommended this application is not supported.</p>		
<p>Petersfield Area Neighbourhood Watch Association</p>	<p>Awareness of Neighbourhood Watch in East Hampshire £500</p>	<p>The organisation seeks funding to produce a newsletter, recruit new road level coordinators, particularly in known problem areas and replace old and worn signage. The project aims to reduce the fear of crime. 100 people are expected to benefit. The proposal, including the purchasing of street signage is not classified as a cultural, recreational or community programme of activity and the organisation has not actively sought funds from other sources. The proposal therefore does not meet the Culture and Community Activity Grant criteria. Councillor Moon and Councillor Clarke have been consulted. It is recommended this application is not supported.</p>	<p>£500</p>	<p>£0</p>
<p>SoCo Music Project <i>(Southampton based organisation although project delivery in Eastleigh)</i></p>	<p>Events @ The Courthouse £7,700</p>	<p>The organisation requests funding to run two high profile events from the organisation's new creative space in Eastleigh that will showcase exciting artistic talent and provide inspirational and engaging creative opportunities for the local community. The organisation aims to develop creativity, unlock potential, break down barriers, explore diversity and celebrate identity through two bespoke themed festivals: Festival of Urban Culture and Festival of International Music. 1,000 people are expected to benefit. The organisation has been granted £1,800 from Youth Music and aims to gain £1,060 income. The two festivals will open the Courthouse venue to a large number of people who do not normally access the arts or have the opportunity to do so. This new</p>	<p>£4,840</p>	<p>£4,840</p>

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<i>SoCo Music Project</i>		developmental project aims to raise aspirations in the local Eastleigh community and beyond, working with a wide range of diverse groups. The proposal demonstrates partnerships with youth, adult and health agencies and offers opportunities for local arts practitioners. Councillor Greenwood supports this application.. It is recommended SoCo Music Project is awarded £4,840.		
Space, Placemaking and Urban Design (SPUD) <i>(Organisation based in Sway although project delivery in at least two Hampshire locations – Winchester and Lymington)</i>	The Observatory £159,500	The organisation requests funding to support the creation of a sculptural/architectural installation that becomes a space and a shelter for a series of 12 artist residencies to take place over 2 years in 4 different and unique locations. The Observatory intends to be more accessible to audiences than the Exbury Egg (a previous installation) including two sites in Hampshire - Winchester Science Centre (150,000 visitors pa) during the winter and Lymington Salt Marshes in the summer (250,000 visitors pa). At the end of its time in each location there will be an exhibition in the local area. There will also be a conference held in partnership with the University partners to discuss the shared learning from the programme. 200,000 people are expected to benefit. The organisation has been granted £2,000 from Winchester City Council, £96,500 from Arts Council England, £3,000 from New Forest National Park Authority and £10,000 from South Downs National Park Authority. <u>Note:</u> The organisation was awarded £1,000 on 6 March 2014 by the Executive Member for Culture, Recreation and Countryside from the Organisational Change Fund 2014/15. This new project builds on a previously successful, globally recognised exhibition and offers the opportunity for local people across Hampshire to engage with an unusual sculpture structure which school groups and students will be able to access in a wide variety of spaces. A range of partnerships are involved including national parks, local authorities and nature and conservation organisations. Councillor England, Councillor Porter and Councillor Thornber have been consulted. It is recommended SPUD is awarded £5,000.	£5,000	£5,000

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<p>The Odiham Society</p> <p><i>The Odiham Society</i></p>	<p>Magna Carta 2015 Commemoration Ph2</p> <p>£15,500</p>	<p>The Society seeks funding to support the preparation activities for a programme of events which aim to bring Magna Carta alive for all ages and leave a lasting legacy. The project commemorating the 800th anniversary of Magna Carta and the 750th anniversary of Hillary Parliament consists of 3 phases and funding for phase 2 is sought. This phase consists of: guide training (for Basingstoke Canal Society and other volunteers); castle enhancement and maintenance of moat and surroundings by youth volunteers; education and public awareness achieved through pop-up displays rotating around Hampshire schools and public places; reproduction of the Vernacula Translation of Magna Carta (Rouen Museum) (creating a Magna Carta display that will reside in Odiham but travel for public viewing across Hampshire); geophysical archaeological investigation identifying lost features of 13th century habitation and roadways. Phase 2 also includes publicity and administrative costs.</p> <p>25,000 people are expected to benefit from the whole project (3 phases). The organisation has requested £7,500 from Magna Carta 800th second tranche. A decision on this application is expected on 30 September 2014. The Society also states they intend to request £5,000 from Odiham Parish Council and £3,000 from Hart District Council towards the whole project.</p> <p>Councillor Glen has been consulted.</p> <p>It is recommended The Odiham Society is awarded £2,500 to support the creation of touring pop-up displays and a display of the vernacula translation of the Magna Carta in Odiham.</p> <p>Due to the grants programme criteria it is further recommended that those elements of the request relating directly to management of the Castle are supported by the Countryside Service. Ongoing discussions are taking place with the Odiham Society in this regard.</p>	£5,000	£2,500
<p>The Petersfield Musical Festival</p>	<p>Petersfield Musical Festival 2015</p>	<p>The organisation seeks funding to support a week long programme of concerts, choral and orchestral, involving a wide range of participants. The programme will include two Choral Concerts involving professional singers and local amateur choirs, 'A Great and Glorious Victory' by regional composer Jonathan Willcocks, two Youth Concerts featuring singers and instrumentalists from local schools, an Orchestral Concert, The Hampshire Police Male Voice Choir with Quintessential Brass and a recital. Hampshire residents will also have the opportunity to take</p>	£1,000	£1,000

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<i>The Petersfield Musical Festival</i>	£37,790	part in a Choral Workshop in September. 3,150 people are expected to benefit. This quality festival engages professional musicians, local amateur performers, local counters and schools. The proposal demonstrates commitment to involving young people and offers good value for money. Councillor Moon and Councillor Clarke have been consulted. It is recommended The Petersfield Musical Festival is awarded £1,000.		
The Spring Arts and Heritage Centre (Havant)	Beyond the Walls Family Festival £6,250	The organisation seeks funding to support a borough-wide festival of creative activities for families, introducing the arts and The Spring to people across Havant through partnership with local community organisations. The Festival enables new audiences to engage in a programme of accessible arts activities that tie in with the Hampshire Big Theme for 2015, Dinosaurs. It will include three free community events, provide 1,000 free craft activity packs, present two performances of a family theatre show and provide low cost and accessible opportunities for disadvantaged audiences to engage in the arts. The organisation has committed £500 of their own funds and aims to gain £750 from ticket sales. <u>Note 1:</u> The organisation was awarded £113,390 on 4 December 2013 by the Executive Member for Culture, Recreation and Countryside from the Culture and Recreation Investment Fund 2014/15 to support core organisational costs. <u>Note 2:</u> The organisation was granted £9,980 on 6 March 2014 by the Executive Member for Culture, Recreation and Countryside from the Organisational Change Fund 2014/15 to support organisational development. This project aims to find a new audience for The Spring Arts and Heritage Centre and involve families discovering arts activities in the wider area. The Centre will be working with several community venues in the area to encourage disadvantaged audiences, who would not normally access such provision, to engage with the organisation all year round. The application states that this project is part of a wider ACE funded project which covers most of the project's costs. Councillor Bolton supports this application. It is recommended The Spring Arts and Heritage Centre is awarded £700 towards the cost of performances.	£5,000	£700

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We Can Read <i>(Gosport based organisation with project delivery across Gosport and Fareham)</i> <i>We Can Read</i>	We Can Read £900	<p>The organisation seeks funding to purchase books for the 'Yes We Can Read' programme which uses volunteers to supports adults in Fareham and Gosport to learn to read. 7,000 people are expected to benefit.</p> <p>The proposal of buying new books is not classified as a cultural, recreational or community programme of activity and the organisation has not actively sought funds from other sources. The proposal therefore does not meet the Culture and Community Activity Grant criteria.</p> <p>Councillor Edgar and Councillor Carter have been consulted.</p> <p>It is recommended this application is not supported. It is also recommended the organisation liaise with Hampshire County Council Library Service to arrange access to some withdrawn library books for the group to use and encourage those beginning or improving their reading to borrow sets of books from the Library Service on a weekend.</p>	£900	£0
TOTAL			£44,946	£20,596

Appendix 3

Hampshire County Council Grant Criteria for the Organisational Change Fund (Culture, Communities and Business Services - CCBS)

The Organisational Change Fund supports specific, time-limited projects for organisations to achieve efficiencies and reduce on-going dependency on grant funding. This could include the exploration of:

- developing new ways of working in partnership to deliver services to primarily support a reduction in organisational costs and create alternative funding opportunities (from non Hampshire County Council departments).

The fund will also support a reasonable approach to disinvesting from organisations that are currently funded, but are not considered to be priorities for the future.

Applicants must support the priorities and outcomes of Hampshire County Council's ['Open for Business' Plan 2011-13](#)

1. Improved quality of life for all, particularly those who are vulnerable and disadvantaged.
2. Enhance community engagement and partnership working – strengthening and empowering communities.
3. Support and enable sustainable economic development – 'place shaping'.
4. Enhance Hampshire's environment and promote sustainability.
5. Develop new models of service provision, meeting the challenges of reduced resource and evolving national policies, whilst improving the quality of services for users.

What is funded?

A maximum grant of up to £10,000 can be awarded to eligible organisations within Hampshire to contribute towards specific, time-limited projects (usually no more than a one year period) to achieve organisational efficiencies and reduce on-going dependency on grant funding. Projects must have clear outcomes and must support a sustainable future business model.

A grant can be awarded to organisations currently receiving funding from Culture, Communities and Business Services grant schemes although are not considered to be priorities for the future, to support a reasonable approach to disinvestment. There is no maximum for grants for organisations the County Council is disinvesting from.

Feasibility Studies and Management Consultants

In order to assist organisations, Hampshire County Council will support the costs of feasibility studies and management consultancy fees.

What isn't funded?

- Organisations that do not meet the Fund's criteria
- Ongoing financial support or contributions towards a deficit
- Individuals
- Capital projects or capital grants for equipment

- Services provided solely within the unitary authority areas of Portsmouth City Council and Southampton City Council
- Parish/Town Councils
- Other local authorities
- Schools
- Uniformed groups such as Scouts, Girl Guides, cadets etc

Please note we cannot retrospectively fund projects or proposals that have already been carried out. Grants are issued for projects or proposals to be carried out in the future. This includes any contracts issued to consultants before grant approval.

**Organisational Change Fund
Application assessment summary**

Each grant application has been assessed against the Organisational Change Fund criteria (Appendix 3) using a standard template.

Organisation	Project Title Total Project Costs	Proposal	Amount Requested	Amount recommended Organisational Change Fund 2014/15
Portchester and District CIO	Portchester Community Association & Portchester Hub – Organisational Change £9,975	<p>The organisation seeks funding to support the restructuring of Portchester Community Association/Portchester Hub to deliver refocused activities and services in a sustainable, fresh manner. Following a recent relocation to new premises, consultation, new trustee board and resultant rethink the organisation would like to undertake a variety of activities. These include a fast-track feasibility study, researching cost-saving measures, trustee training and development through an away day, environmental energy audit, revise their funding strategy and support staff in completing quality training. The organisation will also revise their 5 year business plan. 8,000 people are expected to benefit.</p> <p><u>Note 1:</u> The organisation was awarded £9,740 from the Organisational Change Fund 2013/14 by The Executive Member for Culture and Recreation on 5 December 2012. This award was granted to support the organisation to develop new models of delivery for their needs led community services, activities and programmes. The application includes extending outreach services, new self-help groups, expanding cross generational activities and heritage programme. The grant was awarded on condition the organisation develop a robust business plan for new delivery models and organisational stability.</p> <p><u>Note 2:</u> The organisation has been awarded £25,000 from the Community Buildings Capital Fund 2014/15 by the Executive Member for Culture, Recreation and Countryside on 22 July 2014 to support Portchester Hub Phase 2.</p> <p>The proposal outcomes align with those from the 2013/14 Organisational</p>	£9,975	£0

Organisation	Project Title Total Project Costs	Proposal	Amount Requested	Amount recommended Organisational Change Fund 2014/15
		<p>Change Fund project the organisation undertook. It is felt that learning, information gathered, experience and skills gained from reviewing activities, services and programmes in 2013/14 can be transferred to this project. It is also felt that there is wider support available to the organisation for many elements included within the proposal.</p> <p>Councillor Price supports this application and would like the grant approved.</p> <p>It is recommended this application is not supported.</p>		
TOTAL			£9,975	£0