

Community Investment Fund 2015/16

Application assessment summary

Each grant application has been assessed against the Community Investment fund criteria (Appendix 1) using a standard template

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Alamein Community Association (ACA) (Andover, Test Valley Borough)	<p>Greater use of the hall is the aspiration of ACA's trustees and this application principally requests funding for the continuing provision of a professional worker who continues to enable ACA to deliver their current activities and encourage volunteering but also to encourage more activity. There are now 20-30 children attending the youth club, providing diversionary activities and 22 families attending the parent and toddler group. CAB and the Credit Union have outreach at King Arthurs Hall and ACA manage food box distribution. The job club continues to be successful in partnership with Andover Family Learning and Aster Housing Association attracting 12-20 users per week. ACA have reviewed their business plan and are continuing to work towards pre VISIBLE accreditation.</p> <p>There is no match funding from Test Valley Borough Council. The organisation has applied to Lloyds TSB for £10,000.</p> <p>Councillor Rolt has been consulted.</p> <p><i>It is recommended ACA is awarded £6,415 in line with the criteria; as a result this will be a 2% reduction on the 2014/15 grant award. Payment of this grant should be held until ACA meet the condition of the 2014/15 grant to complete the VISIBLE or preVisible accreditation.</i></p>	£6,540	£8,363	£6,415
Alton Community Association (Alton CA)	<p>Alton CA offers a range of services for the local community including disadvantaged and vulnerable groups. These include a playgroup with 19 children, a community club for elderly people and adults with learning disabilities, East Hampshire Leisure Learning offers over 50+ courses per term to a total of approximately 400 students. Alton CA also delivers a youth provision for more than 40 local young people attending 3 hub sessions per week, aiming to help tackle anti social behaviour and works to encourage NEET individuals back into employment or training. Alton CA offers a range of volunteering opportunities including placement for young offenders.</p> <p>The community centre is also used by a range of organisations for outreach activities including Shop mobility and Community First Volunteer Office.</p> <p>Alton CA are continuing to work towards preVisible accreditation. The application states 4,000 residents will benefit.</p> <p>The application states the organisation has requested £9,500 from East Hampshire District Council</p>	£2,850	£4,000	£2,765

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<i>Alton CA Continued</i>	<p>and £8,000 from Alton Town Council. A decision on these applications will be made on 10 January 2015. Councillor Joy has been consulted. <u>Note:</u> Alton CA has submitted an application for £4,500 to the Adult Services Annual Grant Programme for a Community Club for the Elderly and Adults with Learning Disabilities. This application will be considered on 27 January 2015 by the Executive Member for Adult Social Care and Public Health. It is recommended Alton CA is awarded £2,765 in line with the criteria, a 3% reduction on the 2014/15 grant award. Payment of this grant should be held until ACA meet the condition of the 2014/15 grant to complete the VISIBLE or preVisible accreditation.</p>			
<i>Denmead Community Association (DCA) (Winchester District)</i>	<p>DCA is a rural community centre managed by part time staff supported by 17 volunteers working in the centre in a variety of roles. The Centre is used by 45+ groups including a pre-school, creative play, arts and craft activities, an older person's lunch club, plus wellbeing activities for older people. DCA delivers activities and programmes for local people for example cinema nights, older persons learning in the community and table tennis in addition to a book swap scheme and social events. Within the community centre DCA provide a local information point, access to photocopying and offer local produce for sale which is especially useful to the less mobile visitors to the lunch club. DCA consults with the community to identify activities that address deprivation and social isolation that can occur in rural locations. The application states 6,500 residents will benefit. The application states that the organisation has no match funding from Winchester City Council or Denmead Parish Council. The organisation has applied for £1,000 from grants or donations although this is not confirmed. <u>Note:</u> The organisation currently lease the building from Hampshire County Council owned building and pay £10,000 p.a. in rent. Councillor Stallard understands that Denmead Parish Council grant the organisation £1,500 annual to support the organisation as a whole. It is recommended DCA is awarded £1,925 in line with the criteria, a 3% reduction on the 2014/15 grant award.</p>	£1,985	£4,999	£1,925
<i>Emsworth Community Association (ECA) (Havant Borough)</i>	<p>This funding would be used to continue ongoing work by supporting the roles of the Centre Development Manager and Administrator. The funding will also contribute to training and networking costs. It is also an aspiration to enable these staff to develop outreach activities. The Community Centre is well used by the local community. There is an average of 1,000 people a week taking part in 80+ activities and programmes offered which include a range of health and wellbeing groups, arts and craft activities and sporting activities. 60 active local volunteers, supported by ECA carry out a</p>	£3,310	£3,310	£3,210

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<i>Emsworth Community Association (ECA) continued</i>	<p>range of tasks to support the activities of the organisation.</p> <p>The application states that the community profile notes that 'although Emsworth has a low index of multiple deprivation, many residents may be counted as deprived in one or more dimension'. The application states 2,000 residents will benefit.</p> <p>The application states that the organisation has no match funding from Havant Borough Council.</p> <p><u>Note:</u> The organisation currently lease the building from Hampshire County Council and pay £6,000 p.a. in rent.</p> <p>Councillor Bolton has been consulted.</p> <p><i>It is recommended Emsworth Community Association is awarded £3,210 in line with the criteria, a 3% reduction on the 2014/15 grant award. It is also recommended ECA is awarded this grant on the condition that it attains the VISIBLE or Pre VISIBLE quality standard by March 2016.</i></p>			
<i>Headley Down Community Association (HDCA) (East Hampshire)</i>	<p>HDCA is situated within the 5th most deprived Lower Super Output Area in East Hants providing a venue for a range of community activities and is a base for outreach services. The Headley Down housing estate which is isolated by location and lack of transport links and HDCA works with the 1,500 residents. A range of children's and youth services are managed by HDCA who also offer local IT facilities. The hall is also used as a facility to improve employment chances for local people.</p> <p>Community issues are identified by the Community Project worker who develops activities/programmes to address these. Programmes have included a healthy eating project, a garden project and half day trips allowing children and adults to get off the estate to participate in sports/outdoor activities. HDCA works in partnership with a range of organisations and is working towards preVisible accreditation. HDCA is continuing to implement a financial recovery plan through savings and grant applications, making a small surplus in 2013/14. There is however still a need to continue the support of their financial recovery. The application states 500 residents will benefit.</p> <p>The application states the organisation has requested £13,280 from East Hampshire District Council; a decision on this application will be made on 1 February 2015. The organisation has also applied to Headley Parish Council for £5,000; a decision on this application will be made on 31 March 2015. The organisation has also applied to a range of other grant schemes for support.</p> <p>Councillor Cowper has been consulted.</p> <p><i>It is recommended HDCA is awarded £10,185 funding. Over the last two years HCC has given additional funding to support its on going financial recovery. The organisation has made great strides to improving its financial position, although it is felt that some extra financial support is still needed to reduce risk of the organisation failing. This funding has been reviewed and it is recommended that reductions to meet the funding criteria should be staged over three years. Payment of this grant should be held until HDCA meet the condition of the 2014/15 grant to complete the VISIBLE or</i></p>	£12,445	£20,000	£10,185

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<i>HDCA continued</i>	preVisible accreditation.			
Horndean Community Association (HCA) <i>(East Hampshire District)</i>	<p>HCA provide support for families who are under increasing economic pressure and deliver a range of activities to improve skills, combat social isolation and reduce anti-social behaviour. HCA delivers a wide variety of programmes and activities for the local community as well as providing a venue for outreach projects and is a base for other organisations including Carers Together. They continue to support the development of their Stepping Stones project and have engaged with 85 clients to enable them to be 'work ready' leading to training, further education and return to paid employment. HCA work extensively in partnership with other organisations providing support to partners particularly in relation to the elderly and young unemployed. The association run the Rural Play area project, supports 80+ volunteers at the centre who are involved in a range of activities. HCA hold the Visible quality mark. The application states 3,000 residents will benefit.</p> <p>The application states the organisation has requested £14,208 from East Hampshire District Council. A decision on this request will be made on 3 April 2015.</p> <p>Councillor Harvey supports the application and recommendation, understanding that many local people who use the facility find it a lifeline.</p> <p>It is recommended that HCA is awarded £8,990, a 3% reduction on the 2014/15 grant award and on the proposal shortfall.</p>	£9,270	£9,271	£8,990
Kingsley Organisation (KO) <i>(East Hampshire District)</i>	<p>The Kingsley Centre is the hub of a rural community running the village shop, post office and a coffee shop for the community as well as providing opportunities for active participation both by local people and those with learning disabilities. KO also deliver a range of activities for the local community including a community coffee morning, creative workshops and exercise classes. The weekly footfall averages 800 people, supports 60 disabled people and attracts approximately 24 individuals to the community lunch and 20 to the weekly coffee morning. The organisation supports volunteers to run the centre and operates Chain Reaction – a supported volunteer programme for people with disabilities. KO also host a weekly GP surgery, IT training, provides an information point, walking for health and hosts the Parish Council. KO works in partnership with a range of organisations and hold the Visible Quality Mark.</p> <p>The application states the organisation has requested £10,656 from East Hampshire District Council. A decision date on this application is unknown. The organisation has been awarded £450 from Kingsley Parish Council.</p> <p>Councillor Kemp-Gee has been consulted.</p> <p>It is recommended KO is awarded £3,210 in line with the criteria, a 3% reduction on the 2014/15 grant award.</p>	£3,310	£5,000	£3,210

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Leigh Park Community Association (LPCA) <i>(Havant Borough)</i>	<p>LPCA provide services to satisfy local needs identified by consultation with the community and service users. This leads to up to 500 people each week taking part in social learning or self improvement activities each week. Governed by local people this grant helps support staff, operating and facilities provision costs in a community centre that sits in an area of significant deprivation. LPCA supports 68 groups and activities within the building for a wide range of people, providing support, social and learning opportunities for the community. The Association continue to develop a volunteer programme providing work experience and confidence building</p> <p>LPCA are continuing to develop their financial recovery plan and have carried out a staff review as one of the actions in this, enabling significant savings to be made. LPCA is working towards a pre Visible accreditation</p> <p>The application states the organisation has no match funding from Havant Borough Council. Councillor Fairhurst and Councillor Finch have been consulted.</p> <p><i>It is recommended LPCA is awarded £16,040 in line with the criteria, a 3% reduction on 2014/15 grant award. Payment of this grant should be held until LPCA meet the condition of the 2014/15 grant to complete the VISIBLE or preVisible accreditation.</i></p>	£16,540	£20,000	£16,040
Liss Community Association (LCA) <i>(East Hampshire District)</i>	<p>LCA provide activities and programmes for the local community, including for those residents who can be identified as vulnerable and disadvantaged. These activities aim to address social isolation and promote community cohesion. Activities include a pre-school and after school club which offers affordable childcare, an older people's lunch club and a community coffee bar which attracts approximately 200 visitors a week. There are still plans to extend the opening times of the coffee bar and develop a monthly afternoon activity session for older people. Consultation results have identified that users wanted older persons' table tennis afternoons and these sessions will soon be starting. Other projects include 1:2:1 IT sessions for older people, walking to health and other fitness classes and a community cinema which includes matinee showings. LCA has over 100 volunteers who are involved in a range of roles across the organisation. Activities and services. The application states 2,000 residents will benefit.</p> <p>LCA is working towards preVisible Quality Mark and has a business plan in place.</p> <p>The application states the organisation has requested £5,688 from East Hampshire District Council and £2,500 from Liss Parish Council A decision on these applications will be made on the 31 March 2015</p> <p><i>Note:</i> The organisation currently lease the building from Hampshire County Council and pay £2,025 p.a. in rent.</p> <p>Councillor Clarke supports the recommendation.</p> <p><i>It is recommended LCA is awarded £4,755 a 3% reduction on 2014/15 grant award. Payment of this</i></p>	£4,900	£5,000	£4,755

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<i>Liss Community Association continued</i>	grant should be held until LCA meet the condition of the 2014/15 grant to complete the VISIBLE or preVisible accreditation.			
Pilands Wood Community Association (PWCA) (<i>Eastleigh Borough</i>)	<p>PWCA delivers a wide range of activities and services to the local community at affordable prices, addressing local needs. These include a parent and toddler group, intergenerational bingo, and clubs for children and young people that has a membership of 110 individuals and a volunteer run community café that provides nutritional food and an opportunity for people to meet, reducing social isolation. PWCA provides education and training and encourages individuals who are involved with activities to access NVQ qualifications. PWCA also run a successful teenage football team and host the meeting of the Skate park working group. PWCA work in partnership with a housing association to deliver a weekly job club, which is a vital local resource due to the rural isolation and lack of transport links.</p> <p>Pilands in Bloom has also been started and the Pilands Estate won two top awards. This was developed by encouraging local people to grow in pots and baskets as well as being offered plots to cultivate. PWCA is part of the Pilands Wood Partnership, a group of agencies and interested parties who meet to discuss how the lives of the community can be enhanced.</p> <p>Recently PWCA recruited an experienced volunteer who visits vulnerable people in their homes with referrals from the GP surgery and Police, this has brought many new people to the centre to access services. PWCA have also recently established a charity shop on their premises which is becoming more popular with the local residents and providing a small income stream for the Association. The organisation is working towards preVisible accreditation.</p> <p>The application states 2,000 residents will benefit.</p> <p>The application states that the organisation has requested £ 12,500 from Eastleigh Borough Council. A decision on this application will be made on 1 January 2015. The organisation has also applied for £500 from Bursledon parish Council.</p> <p><i>Note:</i> At the time of application the organisation were not in compliance with the Charity Commission annual returns submissions.</p> <p>Councillor House supports this application and recommendation.</p> <p>It is recommended PWCA is awarded £9,625 in line with the criteria, a 3% reduction on 2014/15 grant award. This award is granted on the condition PWCA comply with the legal obligations to submit their annual returns to the Charity Commission including their 2014 accounts. Payment of this grant should be held until PWCA meet the condition of the 2014/15 grant to complete the VISIBLE or preVisible accreditation.</p>	£9,925	£12,500	£9,625

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Springwood Community Partnership (SCP) <i>(Havant Borough)</i>	<p>Managed by local trustees SCP delivers a range of projects and activities for the local community many of which target vulnerable and disadvantaged people living in the Stakes Ward. The twice weekly lunch club attracts 40 older people and a Rendezvous Club for 55+ age group addresses social isolation and attracts 25 people to each session. A partnership with Southdowns College enables a range of learning opportunities including IT courses in the community centre's IT suite. There is also a partnership with Hermitage Housing to provide a job club. The application suggests that SCP provide the only provision for young people in Stakes Ward which is delivered in partnership with Motiv8 and attracts 100 young people. This provision promotes citizenship and community involvement and also includes a programme of summer activities. SCP also work with local people to provide family events, with a plan to consider staging family discos, curry and quiz nights.. The centre hosts a range of other activities including a vulnerable adult social care group with 60 placements. SCP encourages local people to volunteer throughout the organisation including trusteeship. SCP have created a herb and vegetable garden enabling users to grow and use their own produce. They are also close to launching their 'information station' enabling local residents to be signposted to local information. SCP has achieved a preVisible accreditation.</p> <p>The organisation has an average footfall of 1,000 people per week.</p> <p>The application states the organisation has requested £500 from Havant Borough Council. A decision on this application will be made on the 1 February 2015.</p> <p>Councillor Briggs has been consulted.</p> <p>It is recommended SCP is awarded £9,625 in line with the criteria, approximately a 3% reduction on 2014/15 grant award</p>	£9,900	£9,900	£9,625
Wecock Community Association (WCA) <i>(Havant Borough)</i>	<p>WCA serve the community by encouraging groups to bring activities to the centre or providing activities themselves that will benefit the community especially those who are marginalised. This is achieved by providing youth provision, Parent Unite and protect group for families, offer work placements for young unemployed which is open to those with learning difficulties and is also used as training venue for those with learning difficulties. WCA run a laundrette, community cafe, charity shop and offers IT facilities. The organisation delivers a wide variety of social and educational activities equating to approximately 150 hours per week. There is a wide ranging volunteer programme including a Young volunteers group and WCA have a volunteer register of approximately 100 people the youngest of which is 11 years old. They are developing an AQA programme of accreditations for youth work, teaching basic skills, DIY, Gardening and DJ skills and this will be extended to the WCA managed, Billy's Lake project where conservation skills can be developed. The organisation leases this open space and uses it to encourage volunteers to engage and improve their local environment. WCA is extensively working in partnership with a wide range of organisations and</p>	£13,000	£13,000	£12,610

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<i>Wecock Community Association continued</i>	<p>groups to meet local need. WCA is working towards preVisible accreditation. The application indicates 7,000 residents will benefit. The applications states there is no match funding from Havant Borough Council. Councillor Keast has been consulted.</p> <p><i>It is recommended WCA is awarded £12,610 a 3% reduction on 2014/15 grant award. Payment of this grant should be held until WCA meet the condition of the 2014/15 grant to complete the VISIBLE or preVisible accreditation.</i></p>			
<i>Wickham Community Association (Wickham CA) (Winchester District)</i>	<p>Working with the primary school and Parish Council WCA strive to address issues which are identified in the area as the application states that' Wickham has the highest level of rural deprivation in the Winchester district. The organisation run IT courses free of charge and a gardening club. 500+ young people take part in a variety of activities including use of the adjacent Multi Use Games Area. Wickham CA work in partnership with Village Agents and Lions Bus as well as running a Monday Lunch club to address social isolation which attracts an average of 35 diners and also had a waiting list. WCA also work in partnership to enable access to health and wellbeing information and activities including 'steady and strong groups'. The volunteer run youth club makes use of all the facilities on the site. Wickham CA work with and support a range of other local organisations to benefit the community including U3A and InSight a visually impaired club. The organisation also hosts a range of social, educational and fitness activities. The community centre forms part of the 'Hub' which also includes the Primary School and new district GP surgery. Wickham CA are currently working towards Visible accreditation.</p> <p>The application states there is no match funding from Winchester City Council. Councillor Stallard has been consulted.</p> <p><i>It is recommended Wickham CA is awarded £3,210 in line with the criteria, a 3% reduction on 2014/15 grant award. Payment of this grant should be held until WCA meet the condition of the 2014/15 grant to complete the VISIBLE or preVisible accreditation.</i></p>	£3,310	£10,000	£3,210
<i>Winnall Community Association (Winnall CA) (Winchester District)</i>	<p>Winnall has been identified as one of the two main areas of deprivation in Winchester City. Winnall CA brings activities and projects to the area to address specific issues that arise from this. WCA involves volunteers in running activities at the centre and with its operational needs. The Association delivers a range of activities and services including a holiday play scheme, Moviemanía cinema project, Winnall Community Forum and a community garden project, which they are hoping to extend into a cook and eat project. The centre hosts a variety of activities for a cross section of people from the community including adult education classes, Activ8 youth project, Age Concern computer classes and a lunch club. The centre also hosts a pre-school facility and Sparklers Children's Centre. The majority of services delivered by the organisation are to those vulnerable and disadvantaged on</p>	£9,180	£9,074	£8,905

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<i>Winnall Community Association continued</i>	<p>the Winnall estate including educational and children's activities. Volunteers gain experience and knowledge which can be used to support job opportunities. WCA acts as an advocate for the community and is currently supporting the Community Forum to deliver 50 actions identified in the community plan. WCA is working towards preVisible accreditation.</p> <p>The application states the organisation has requested £4,200 from Winchester City Council. A decision on this application is not known.</p> <p>Councillor Mather supports the application and recommendation.</p> <p><i>It is recommended Winnall CA is awarded £8,905 a 3% reduction on 2014/15 grant award. Payment of this grant should be held until WCA meet the condition of the 2014/15 grant to complete the VISIBLE or preVisible accreditation</i></p>			
Total		£106,465	£134,417	£101,470