

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Decision Report

Decision Maker:	Executive Lead Member for Children's Services
Date:	20 January 2016
Title:	Grants from Children's Services Integrated Grant Programme 2016/17
Reference:	7045
Report From:	Interim Director of Children's Services

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1. Executive Summary

1.1. The purpose of this paper is to seek the approval of the Executive Lead Member for Children's Services for grant recommendations from the Children's Services Integrated grant programme. Grant programme budgets for 2016/17 are subject to Cabinet approval January 2016.

Children's Services Integrated Grant (CSI):

1.2 Approval from the Executive Lead Member for Children's Services is sought for grant recommendations of £5,000 and over totalling £463,603 to voluntary sector organisations within Hampshire as listed in Appendix 2 for 2016/17. A further £8,100 will be awarded in sums of under £5,000 within Officer delegated powers (listed for information in Appendix 3), bringing the total grants recommended to the voluntary sector from the Children's Services integrated grants programme to £471,703.

1.3 **Be Your Best Foundation's Rock Challenge**

Approval is also sought for a grant recommendation of £12,000 for the financial year ending 15/16 to Be Your Best Rock Challenge on behalf of The Hampshire Drug & Alcohol Action Team (DAAT) Joint Commissioning Group.

2. Contextual information

2.1. Children's Services Integrated Grant

2.1.1 The Children's Services Integrated grant budget is an amalgamation of previously separately administered grant funding streams and is targeted to specific vulnerable groups. Only eligible applications that met the priorities

of one of the following key categories including Counselling, Young Carers and LGBT were considered. A smaller amount of grant was also allocated to “other” services to meet the needs of other vulnerable groups of children and young people as identified by the children and young people’s plan. In a change to previous community consultation procedures the Local Children’s Partnerships were not required to organise local consultation panels. Instead all Early Help Hub Managers received eligible applications for their areas and were asked to prioritise them following discussion with their local representatives from Health, Community Safety, LCPs and the voluntary sector.

- 2.1.2 This process continues to allow for local accountability, enhances local gap analyses and allows communities a direct route to be involved in the decision making process. The priority recommendations from the Early Help Hubs are then presented to the County Scrutiny Panel, which includes representation from Children’s Services, prior to their inclusion in this decision paper.
- 2.1.3 Grants to organisations listed in this report will enable them to continue with their services and undertake projects which work towards the outcomes of the Hampshire Children and Young People Plan (CYPP).

2.2 Be Your Best Foundation

The grant recommendation of £12,000 for the financial year 15/16 will be funded by The Hampshire Drug & Alcohol Action Team (DAAT) Joint Commissioning Group to support the work of Be Your Best Foundation’s Rock Challenge. This is a 2015/16 year end grant payment to Be Your Best for running the county wide Rock Challenge for children and young people.

3. Criteria of grant

3.1. Children’s Services Integrated Grant (CSI)

Applicants for the CSI Grant programme must apply via the Council’s corporate grant web portal. All applications to the Children’s Services Integrated grant programme must meet strict eligibility criteria which ensure that the funding targeted vulnerable groups within the Children and Young People Plan 2015-17 (CYPP). Applications are required to provide services to one of the key themes, Counselling, Young carers, LGBT (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and transgender) or one of the “other” themes including black, minority, ethnic, traveller or young people who are facing barriers to participation or experiencing prejudice and discrimination because of their ethnic background, young offenders, young parents, living in relative poverty, children in care (including post adoption) and disadvantaged because of learning difficulties and/or disabilities. In addition applicants must identify the level of intervention using The Hampshire Children’s Trust Thresholds Chart. Level two early interventions and level three targeted early intervention projects were prioritised for funding. Applications must also demonstrate additional support from other funding sources such as trusts, district/borough councils, businesses or other sponsorship.

4. Finance

- 4.1 The proposed grants can be funded from within the budget proposals set out in the 2016/17 revenue budget report elsewhere on this agenda. This includes the provision for Counselling and LGBT previously incorporated in the Youth Support Services grants.

5. Other considerations

- 5.1 Organisations which applied to the Children's Services Integrated grant programme for funding for 2016/17 but which were unsuccessful will receive individual feedback explaining why their application was not recommended for funding. Details of organisations that have been unsuccessful are listed in Appendix 4.
- 5.2 Some projects may receive an award which is significantly lower than the amount requested. This may potentially compromise their ability to fully achieve the original outcomes of their project. In these cases revised outcomes/targets will be supported.
- 5.3 A number of organisations who previously received funding have not been recommended for funding in 2016/17. Details of these organisations have been provided in Appendix 5 for reference.

6. Recommendation(s)

- 6.1 That the Executive Lead Member for Children's Services:
- 6.1.1 Approves the Children's Services Integrated grant applications of £5,000 and over for 2016/17 totalling £463,603 for organisations within Hampshire as listed in Appendix 3.
- 6.1.2 Approves the grant recommendation to Be Your Best Foundation Rock Challenge £12,000 on behalf of Hampshire Drug & Alcohol Action Team (DAAT) Joint Commissioning Group.

**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):	

Other Significant Links

Links to previous Member decisions:		
<u>Title</u>	<u>Reference</u>	<u>Date</u>
Youth Support Service Re-design	2993	29/07/11
Children's Services and Youth Support Services Grants 2012/13	3442	20/02/12
Youth Support Service Grants 2012/13	3904	31/05/12
Youth Support Service Grants 2012/13	4034	17/07/12
Youth Support Service Grants 2013/14	4075	26/09/12
Grants from Children's Services 2012/13 and 2013/14	4331	23/01/13
Grants from Children's Services 2013/14	4718	25/03/13
Children's Services grant awards 2013/14	4926	24/10/13
Grants from Children's Services 2014/15	5106	21/01/14
Grants from Children's Services Integrated Grant 2015/16	6126	21/01/15
Direct links to specific legislation or Government Directives		
<u>Title</u>		<u>Date</u>
Every Child Matters		2003
Children Act		2004
Childcare Act		2006
Apprenticeship Skills Children and Learning Act		2009

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. Equalities Impact Assessment:

- 1.1 The funding of projects targeted at supporting priority groups of vulnerable children and young people across the county is expected to have a positive impact on improving outcomes for equalities groups.
- 1.2 Each applicant must outline how their project will contribute towards the elimination of unlawful discrimination, the advancement of equality of opportunity for everyone including those having a protected characteristic and the fostering of good relations between all including those having a protected characteristic.
- 1.3 Protected characteristics are those defined in the Equalities Act 2010, namely race (including ethnic or national origins, colour or nationality), age, disability, gender, religion or belief and sexual orientation.

2. Impact on Crime and Disorder:

- 2.1 The funding of projects directly impacting on more vulnerable groups of young people is expected to impact positively to reduce potential crime and disorder.

Criteria for Grants

Please refer to section 3 of the report.

To be eligible for support organisations must:

- Benefit children, young people and their families and carers in the Hampshire County Council area.
- Provide services that fall within one of the key categories for provision.
- Demonstrate how their work meets the outcomes of the CYPP and the Hampshire Children's Trust Thresholds Chart.

Demonstrate the project has funding from other sources such as trusts, district/borough/parish/local councils, businesses or other sponsorship or contribute to the costs in kind.

- Have in place appropriate insurances.
- Have policy statements and guidelines in place for Equal Opportunities, Health and Safety, Child Protection, and Quality Assurance (where applicable).
- Ensure all staff, both paid and voluntary, who have contact with children and young people have an up to date Disclosure and Barring Service clearance.
- Comply with mutually agreed reporting and monitoring requirements.

Details of CSI grant applications

The table below shows a summary of CSI grants of £5,000 and above recommended for 2016/17.

Theme / Organisation / Project	Area of provision	Recommendation
Counselling		
1. No Limits - Supporting vulnerable children and young people's (CYP) emotional wellbeing and mental health – youth counselling in Hampshire	Countywide	135,900
2. Southampton Rape Crisis and Sexual Abuse Counselling Service - Young People's Counselling	Multi District	7,000
3. Southampton Rape Crisis and Sexual Abuse Counselling Service - Family Therapy	Multi District	16,500
4. Community First Wessex – Filling Gaps Counselling	East Hants	9,250
5. The Source Counselling	Hart and Rushmoor	10,000
Young Carers		
6. Basingstoke Voluntary Action - Hampshire Young Carers Alliance	Countywide	164,205
LGBT		
7. Breakout Youth - Targeted support services for young LGBT	Eastleigh & Basingstoke	14,000
8. Community First Wessex – LGBT	East Hants	7,000
9. Y Services for Young People – LGBT	Multi District	17,779
Other		
10. Autism Hampshire - The Community Access Project for Children with Autism	Countywide	6,192
11. Friends of the Family Winchester - Under 5s Project	Winchester	5,000
12. Hampton Trust Adoption Support	Multi District	5,000
13. Kids 18 Up	Winchester	5,925
14. Motiv8 Fareham	Fareham	10,000
15. Motiv8 Gosport	Gosport	10,000
16. Mustard Seed	Hart and Rushmoor	10,000
17. Romsey Community School – Sunrises	Test Valley	5,000
18. The Kings Arms	East Hants	5,000
19. The Source Young Parents	Hart and Rushmoor	5,000
20. Yellow Brick Road	Countywide	14,852
	Grants recommended of £5,000 and above	463,603
	Grants awarded under £5,000	8,100
	Total grants recommended	471,703

Appendix 3 cont./**Details of CSI grant applications****Counselling Projects****1. No Limits**

11 local youth information, advice, counselling and support services (YIACS) - working as a consortium for 5 years, mapping provision, improving quality and developing our work. Successfully engaged in consortium bids, including counselling with 2015-16 funding, a Lottery bid (for over 18's) and the Right2BSafe project. The consortium will deliver No Limits project management and any gaps (Hampshire wide); It's your choice 10% (New Forest); Youth in Romsey 4%; Winchester Youth Counselling 11%; Eastleigh Youth Counselling 15%; Moving on Project (Fareham 9% and Gosport 13%); Off the Record 14% (Havant); YPI 10% (Basingstoke); Step by Step 2% and 121 Counselling 10% (NE Hants) and Alabare 2% (Andover).

Amount recommended as a contribution to the project: £135,900

2. Southampton Rape Crisis and Sexual Abuse Counselling Service – Young People's Counselling

Young People's Counselling element – individual or group therapy to young people aged 11-18 from Hampshire who have been sexually abused. (Countywide)

Amount recommended as a contribution to the project: £7,000

3. Southampton Rape Crisis and Sexual Abuse Counselling Service – Family Therapy

The project will offer a Family Therapy Service to provide holistic support to families struggling with the impact of child sexual abuse or adult sexual assault. The Project aims to help people develop healthier emotional coping skills and protective strategies that will support physical and psychological recovery, facilitate independence and reduce the likelihood of repeat victimisation. (Countywide)

Amount recommended as a contribution to the project: £16,500

4. Community First Wessex – Filling Gaps Counselling Service

YouthFirst is Community First's established youth service, providing support and activities for often vulnerable young people (YP) via club and outreach sessions in several locations, LGBTQ groups and individual mentoring across East Hants and Winchester. Also run well established and well subscribed anger and anxiety management courses in East Hants and currently provide these courses plus Solution Focussed Mentoring for families on the Supporting Troubled Families Programme in Winchester and Havant.

Amount recommended as a contribution to the project: £9,250

5. The Source Young People's Charity

This project supports the young people of Hart and Rushmoor by providing a counselling service to help 24 children and young people aged 13 to 19 who are vulnerable and at risk of harm in some way. (Multi District)

Amount recommended as a contribution to the project: £10,000

Young Carers Project

6. Basingstoke Voluntary Action - HYCA

HYCA - Hampshire Young Carers Alliance is a consortium of 10 local independent and autonomous Young Carers' Projects managed by voluntary organisations which provide a support service within each district of Hampshire. Young Carers project workers will offer intensive 1-2-1 support to young carers with identified high levels of need. HYCA projects will provide opportunities for young carers to have a break from their caring responsibilities. (Countywide)

Amount recommended as a contribution to the project: £164,205

LGBT Projects

7. Breakout Youth

The project will provide support and services for young LGBT, particularly those who have additional, multiple and complex needs thus ensuring that this vulnerable group are given the best possible life chances. (Eastleigh and Basingstoke)

Amount recommended as a contribution to the project: £14,000

8. Community First Wessex – LGBT

The service will be accessible to all young people (YP) across East Hants and Winchester Districts needing advice and support with gender identity; sexuality; safer sex; personal safety; dealing with homo//transphobia; relationships and communication; confidence and self-esteem; risk taking behaviours; coming out and equality and diversity.

Amount recommended as a contribution to the project: £7,000

9. Y Services for Young People – LGBT

Y Services currently deliver an LGBTQ Service for young people in Fareham, Gosport and Havant that supports a weekly youth group plus individual support via agency school or self referrals. The project has successfully delivered a high quality service to a total of 89 young people and has worked with Children's Services, LAGLO Officers as well as a number of schools across the three boroughs.

Amount recommended as a contribution to the project: £17,779

Other Projects supporting vulnerable groups identified in Children and Young People's Plan (CYPP)

10. Autism Hampshire

The project will provide early help to children affected by autism via telephone, e-mail, appointment, home visits and other community-based initiatives such as Activity Days. (Countywide)

Amount recommended as a contribution to the project: £6,192

11. Friends of the Family Winchester

They offer 1:1 counselling and group work to pre-school mothers to improve confidence and raise self-esteem, while their children are supported by trained play leader and volunteers. (Winchester)

Amount recommended as a contribution to the project: £5,000

12. Hampton Trust Adoption Support

SAFE 'Supporting Adoptive Families with Empathy' is a group work/mentoring programme that supports adoptive young people and their parents to understand the links between a young persons unresolved feelings around being taken into care and how these impact on actions and behaviour in the adoptive family home.

Amount recommended as a contribution to the project: £5,000

13. Kids 18 Up

The project will support 15 young adults with disabilities between the age of 18-25 to access a youth club and develop independent life skills. The sessions will be a 6 hour session once a month. The group will meet at a location with the time split between a relationship and sexuality topic and a social independent life skills outing in the local community for the remainder of the session discussed and planned with the young people putting learning into practice.

Amount recommended as a contribution to the project: £5,925

14. Motiv8 Fareham

The service will provide 1:1 targeted support for young people who require early help or have complex needs (Level 2 and 3 of Children's Trust Hampshire Threshold Chart). The provision will be aimed at CSI priority groups; young people offending and/or at risk of offending, those living in poverty at risk e.g. poor emotional wellbeing, neglect, YP with learning difficulties (social, emotional and mental health difficulties), and Children in Care.

Amount recommended as a contribution to the project: £10,000

15. Motiv8 Gosport

The service will provide 1:1 targeted support for young people who require early help or have complex needs (Level 2 and 3 of Children's Trust Hampshire Threshold Chart). The provision will be aimed at CSI priority groups; young people offending and/or at risk of offending, those living in poverty at risk e.g. poor emotional wellbeing, neglect, YP with learning difficulties (social, emotional and mental health difficulties), and Children in Care.

Amount recommended as a contribution to the project: £10,000

16. Mustard Seed

Mustard Seed provides ranges of therapies and activities to local families. These are all autism specific and based on latest autism research. All our interventions are managed, planned and implemented by a Specialist Teacher and Occupational Therapist. We are also supported by a qualified play therapist and trained volunteers.

Amount recommended as a contribution to the project: £10,000

17. Romsey Community School – Sunrises

The aim of the project is to recruit 20 volunteers across the Test Valley area, to develop a bespoke training programme which will enable volunteers to be equipped to support vulnerable families, to train and support the team of volunteers, to support up to 25 families in their homes with children up to the age of 16, to develop a peer support programme for families involved with and post Sunrise support, to support the delivery of the Early Help Hub and Supported Troubled Families Programme method.

Amount recommended as a contribution to the project: £5,000

18. The Kings Arms

Over the last year, the Kings Arms has supported about 15 young people who have stopped going to school, who are emotionally vulnerable and have had major issues including self harming, risky behaviour, anger issues, high levels of anxiety, refusing to come out of their bedrooms, suicidal thoughts and attempted suicide.

Amount recommended as a contribution to the project: £5,000

19. The Source Young Parents

This grant will help fund our Young Parent Mentoring Project which supports at least 22 young parents and their children through one to one Mentoring, Drop Ins, Supported Parenting courses and training designed to enable them to look after their children well and to return to education or secure employment. This project responds to the needs of young parents who are at Levels 3 and 4 on the Threshold Chart.

Amount recommended as a contribution to the project: £5,000

20. Yellow Brick Road Projects

Young Mums Matter project offers a 12 week course providing young mothers from deprived backgrounds vital skills, enabling them to manage their everyday lives more independently and to reach their individual goals. (Gosport)

Amount recommended as a contribution to the project: £14,852

For Information - 2015/16 CSI Grants under £5,000 and approved

Theme / Organisation / Project	Area of provision	Recommendation
Counselling		
LGBT		
Other CYPP Priorities		
Batten Disease Family Association		1,000
The Community Furniture Project		1,500
Home-Start North West Hampshire - Teenage Parent Support	Basingstoke	2,000
The Teenage Drop In Centre		3,000
Titchfield Community Association		600
Total	Grants awarded under £5,000	8,100

For information - Unsuccessful Grant Applications

Six of the applications received were unsuccessful on the grounds that their applications did not evidence other sources of funding. The organisations have been informed of the Council's decision.

Organisation Name	Project Title	Amount Requested
Winchester Detached Youth Project AKA Street Reach	Micheldever Youth Club	£5,688.30
Youth and Families Matter	Targeted intervention	£3,593.26
Creating Futures Charity	Hear Me Roar	£28,742.23
Home-Start Rushmoor	Support to Families with Mental Health Issues	£5,000.00
Solent Youth Action	ReCharge	£8,580.00
The Moving on Project	Skilling up counselling staff at MOP	£1,000.00

Applications from a further 17 organisations were rejected on the grounds of their application not demonstrating meeting the priorities as listed in Appendix 1.

Organisation Name	Project Title	Amount Requested
1. Music Fusion	East Street	£6,000.00
2. SAIL 4 CANCER	Young Carer Family Break Project	£5,000.00
3. The Hampton Trust	My Voice	£11,729.05
4. Eastleigh Child Contact Centre	Eastleigh Child Contact Centre (ECCC)	£5,000.00
5. Basingstoke Gateway Award Project	Basingstoke Gateway Award Project	£4,875.00
6. Key Changes Music Therapy	Lanterns Early Years Centre	£3,305.00
7. Alabare Christian Care and Support	The Junction Drop-Centre for children and young people in Andover	£10,823.00
8. Youth Options	Applemore Young Carers	£6,542.44
9. Westside Community Association	Westside Youth Project - Extended Offer	£12,500.00
10. KIDS Youth 2 Gosport	Youth 2 Gosport Seniors (Y2G)	£14,000.00

11. Step by Step Partnership Ltd	Step Out	£14,512.00
12. Buckskin & Worting Community Association	Buckskin young people	£3,000.00
13. Motiv8 South Ltd (Known as Motiv8)	Motiv8 Havant Targeted 1:1 Support	£17,860.00
14. Forest Forge Theatre Company	Hidden Identities	£9,100.00
15. The Warren Youth Club	Summer holiday programme	£2,161.50
16. Positive Action	Young People Living with HIV	£3,000.00
17. Communities First Wessex (trading as Community First)	Filling The Gaps: Anger and Anxiety Management Plus	£16,210.00

Reasons for rejection of application

1. Music Fusion

The service is a duplication of services through Music Fusion involvement with YSS funded hubs - Motiv8. It would be more beneficial for them to be involved with established services within Fareham rather than operating as a separate entity.

2. SAIL 4 CANCER

The delivery is limited to small numbers and has not been identified as a local need.

3. The Hampton Trust

There is a need for the service but the application is unclear. It is not evident how this differs from the original submitted (081). The service is not known to the Early Help Hub.

4. Eastleigh Child Contact Centre

The service is a duplication of existing services. The service provision is for general need and does not meet our specific priorities.

5. Basingstoke Gateway Award Project

The application is for respite for vulnerable families, but also appears to be an aid for prevention of escalation of need. There is no evidence that there is a high level of need compared to other priorities.

6. Key Changes Music Therapy

The application does not address any services that are a priority for the local area.

7. Alabare Christian Care and Support

Evidence shows that this organisation engages well to reach YP locally (NEET). Positive outcomes have been identified for YP engaged in the music project and there is evidence of local referrals resulting in re-engagement in education.

Recommended funding 50% of support worker salary. This is being funded through the No Limits application for Counselling projects.

8. Youth Options

The service is limited to only one school and a limited number of beneficiaries. Not a service known to Hub.

9. Westside

This service covers a broad spectrum of support to a large volume of vulnerable young people in the area. The activities stated are not sufficiently targeted (the application mentioned facilitating an environment for homework, etc.) and of the potential overlap with the already existing funding offered to this service (YSS).

10. KIDS Youth 2 Gosport

There is a requirement for such services, but it is not clear how many children it would reach in Fareham and Gosport. There is concern regarding Funding Streams and it was agreed that this is better aligned with the Short Breaks programme with an age range of 20/25.

11. Step By Step Partnership Ltd

This service is a duplication of well established services and support.

12. Buckskin and Worthing Community Association

This service is a duplication of existing services. The service provision is for general need and does not meet our specific priorities.

13. Motiv8 South Ltd

There is a need locally for further support which will then compliment the other service already in place (YCP, EHH). A good track record has been evidenced and it was agreed that there were positive outcomes with regard to this organisation. They are especially good at linking with other organisations as required. The provider has been awarded £10,000 for delivery in the Fareham and Gosport areas (total £20,000).

14. Forest Forge Theatre Company

This service is for the vulnerable and excluded group, but has a limited geographical spread across the district.

15. The Warren Youth Club

The services available are universal and do not deliver against priority areas.

16. Positive Action

There is no evidence of a local link. These services can be provided by other organisations.

17. Communities First Wessex

This project has developed from delivering group work, to delivering one to one or in very small peer groups (3 members). The organisation is now linking with GP's

and gaining significant input. The service tends to work North of the district, but needs to develop appropriate links with the Kings Arms.

For information – Details of organisations who previously received grant funding in 2015/16

The list below identifies those organisations who received funding in 2015/16 and who have applied for grants for 2016/17, but have not been recommended to receive any funding for the reasons stated in Appendix 4. The value of the grant awarded in 2015/16 has also been included in order to understand the potential impact on these organisations.

Awarded in 15/16 - not recommended for award in 2016/17	Organisation Name	Project Title	Contact Title	Amount Awarded in 2015/16
No application submitted.	Relate North & East Hampshire & Borders	Young People & Family Counselling	Mrs Sarah Carter	£5,000.00
Unsuccessful in 16/17	Eastleigh Child Contact Centre	Eastleigh Child Contact Centre (ECCC)	Ms Karen Marsh	£4,000.00
Unsuccessful in 16/17 - Rejected prior to evaluation - Eligibility Criteria not met - no other sources of funding.	The Moving On Project	Supporting vulnerable children and young people's (CYP) emotional wellbeing and mental health – youth counselling in Fareham and Gosport.	Ms Ana Brankovic	£4,500.00
Unsuccessful in 16/17 - for Anger and Anxiety Management.	HCCS Community Action (trading as Community First HEH)	Anger and Anxiety Management Courses	Ms Jacquie Vincent-Coulter	£9,250.00
Unsuccessful in 16/17 - due to their proposal being a duplication of well established services and support.	Step by Step Partnership Ltd	LGBT - Lesbian, Gay, Bi-Sexual and Transgender Group	Mrs Jenny Jackson	£9,000.00
Unsuccessful in 16/17 - No local link has been demonstrated and services can be provided elsewhere.	Positive Action	Young People Living with HIV	Mrs Donna Bone	£3,000.00
Unsuccessful in 16/17 - due to limited geographical	Forest Forge Theatre Company	Hidden Identities	Ms Lisa Halpin	£6,000.00

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