

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Decision Report

Decision Maker:	Executive Member For Communities
Date:	27 September 2010
Title:	Funding request from the Camrose Centre via the Hampshire Action Team for Basingstoke and Deane
Reference:	2047
Report From:	Chief Executive

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1. Executive Summary

1.1 The purpose of this paper is to seek approval for funding of £10,000 to the Camrose Centre towards the 'Independent Living' Project costs and partly staff costs at the Camrose Centre to run the project for one 2010/11 only.

2. Contextual information

2.1. The Camrose Centre exists to help alleviate the suffering caused by homelessness, addiction, domestic violence, social exclusion or other deprivation.

2.2. The project the Camrose Centre would like to introduce will be called Independent Living and will include support towards further education and also complementary therapies (ear anti detox) to help relaxation and to enhance self esteem and confidence.

2.3. The project recognises that people who have significant issues with drug and alcohol tend to lead chaotic lives that are costly to society caused by their routine exclusion from or ad-hoc use of the services.

2.4. Checks have been made which verify that this is a bona fide organisation. The Camrose Centre is part of the Trinity Centre, registered Charity 1074604.

2.5. Hampshire County Council Adult Services provided £10,000 to the Camrose Centre for their core funding. Basingstoke and Deane HAT Members have been made aware of this information.

3. Finance

- 3.1 The total funding allocation available to the Basingstoke and Deane HAT is £70,000.
- 3.2 The amount remaining following previous successful applications is £56,000.
- 3.2 The amount of funding requested is £10,000 and the detail of the bid is set out in the application form accompanying this report (Appendix C).

4. Legal Implications

- 4.1 The County Council has the power under S137 (3) of the Local Government Act 1972 to incur expenditure on contributions to any of the following funds,

(a) the funds of any charitable body in furtherance of its work in the United Kingdom;

(b) the funds of any body which provides any public service (whether to the public at large or to any section of it) in the United Kingdom otherwise than for the purposes of gain. The Camrose Centre is a registered Charity and therefore eligible for a grant under S137 (3)

5. Monitoring

- 5.1 The intended outcomes of the project are outlined in the application form accompanying this report (highlighted in page 3).
- 5.2 A detailed monitoring report setting out the final outcomes of the project will be sent out for completion at the end of the project.

6. Other key issues

- 6.1 There are no other key issues to report.

7. Statements of Support

- 7.1 This application has the majority support of the Basingstoke and Deane HAT Members and supports partnership working in the locality. Councillor McNair Scott declared an interest when the funding bid was discussed at a HAT meeting on the 8 September 2010.
- 7.2 Senior Officers in Adult Services are aware of this application and are in support of this project.

8. Recommendation

- 8.1. That £10,000 of funding be awarded to the Camrose Centre from the Basingstoke and Deane HAT Community Budget to support the Independent Living Project for 2010/11 only.

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**IMPACT ASSESSMENTS:****1. Equalities Impact Assessment:**

1.1. There is clear evidence of a gap in local provision for the significant number of vulnerable and isolated people in Basingstoke, particularly those with complex needs. The Camrose pilot resource centre was formed in 2008 and evidenced that there are at least 30 people a day who have a need to access this type of service.

2. Impact on Crime and Disorder:

2.1. The Camrose Centre actively engages with offenders, offering learning opportunities, encouraging engagement in services and helping break the cycle of offending behaviour, thus impacting on anti social behaviour.

3. Climate Change:

- a) How does what is being proposed impact on our carbon footprint / energy consumption?
- b) How does what is being proposed consider the need to adapt to climate change, and be resilient to its longer term impacts?

There are no impacts arising from this report.