

DERBYSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**MEETING WITH CABINET MEMBER, HEALTH AND COMMUNITIES****30 September 2014****Report of the Director of Public Health****DERBYSHIRE HEALTH AND HOUSING GROUP – FUNDING GRANT****1. Purpose of the report:**

To seek approval from the Cabinet Member, Health and Communities for grant funding to four local organisations to deliver housing related projects which have a positive impact on health.

2. Information and analysis:

- 2.1 The Derbyshire Health and Housing Group was established in 1995 to develop a partnership approach to reducing health inequalities through improved housing standards.
- 2.2 The group administers the awarding of grants funded from the Public Health budget, to housing and health related projects which are designed to reduce health inequalities.
- 2.3 A Public Health officer chairs the group and following the transfer of the public health function to Derbyshire County Council in April 2014, it was agreed by Cabinet at its meeting 4th March 2014 the Derbyshire Health and Housing Group could continue to allocate the budget via grant funding for 2014/15
- 2.4 The current budget from the Public Health Ring Fenced grant is £35,608, and is to be allocated to new or innovative health and housing projects which enhance existing programmes, reduce inequalities or add value.
- 2.5 Following an application and prioritisation screening procedure conducted during July 2014, the Group propose the following allocation for consideration and approval. The list those applications which do not meet the application or screening procedure is included.

Projects for Approval				
Organisation	Area	Project Scheme	Total Funding 14/15 requested	Total Funding 14/15 proposed
P3 (Housing Association) - Connecting	Whole of Derbyshire	Mobile information and internet resource, social isolation/access to housing/health/in rural areas, one stop shop.	£9,913.00	£9,000.00 Meets guidelines, service delivery

Derbyshire		At local events/market days/community centres/churches etc.		across Derbyshire to isolated populations Sustainable from continued revenue funding. Can operate on reduced funding.
NCHA - Nottingham Community Housing Association - IRIS - Identification and referral to Improve safety) domestic violence.	Amber Valley	Risk identification service for domestic abuse in GP surgery clusters. Early intervention community response to Domestic abuse.	£10,000.00	£9,000.00 Meets guidelines, new innovative project working with health professional, full housing and health links. Can operate on reduced funding
ddvsas - Derbyshire Domestic Violence and Sexual Abuse Freedom programme	Derbyshire Wide	'Freedom out of hours' – a twelve week domestic abuse awareness course currently only available 9-5 weekdays. Funding for extension of hours for existing project for evening and Saturday mornings.	£9,557.00	£8,608.00 Meets guidelines, added value, links to housing and health. Can operate on reduced funding.
Good news family care - Freedom 2 live	High Peak	Project for women with life controlling conditions that are life controlling conditions e.g. Drugs and alcohol.	£10,000.00	£9,000.00 Meets guidelines, has full housing and health links to services,

				no other residential recovery centre for women with children. Can operate on reduced funding.
			TOTAL	£35,608.00
Projects not meeting funding guidelines				
Bright Opportunity – opportunities to speak	High Peak	Funding for PC, Printer, camera, refreshments, advertising costs, website design, rent, and staffing costs. what kind of equipment.	£10,000	Does not meet funding guidelines, no housing element. Funding for office equipment and rent, no service delivery, setting up social club
Home Start Amber Valley - Bolsover big hopes, big future school readiness project	Bolsover	Provide volunteers, who are trained to support families, ref: by health visitors, children's centres.	£9,099.18	DCC has taken a strategic decision not to fund Home-Start schemes + Does not meet funding guidelines, no housing element, and duplication in some areas of service delivery.

The Derbyshire Federation for Mental Health - Accommodation drop in support	High Peak Derbyshire Dales	Pilot project – face to face support for those recovering/living with MH who require assistance with housing related issues	£9,642.00	Funding required to cover cuts in Supporting People funding. Not innovative, new, no indication on application how this sits with current service provision.
Futures Homescape - A quick step back in time	Amber Valley	Redevelopment of a community centre to develop dementia friendly environment/ 1950 tea room/tea dances/singing for the brain memories to Music	£4,960.00	Does not meet funding guidelines. Funding required refurbishing community centre for 1950's Tea dances for those with dementia. No service delivery/training etc.
Adullam - Kick Start Challenge Change	High Peak, North East Derbyshire, Chesterfield	Residential course for vulnerable homeless/ care leavers/young people 16-24 in supported Accommodation/ receipt of support services	£8,700.00	Does not meet funding guidelines, no housing element.
Reach the Charity - Healthier Life Healthier you		Improve H & WB of 55+ living at Oaklands village, increase physical activity, social isolation	£9,750.00	Does not meet funding guidelines, no housing element. Should already be

				working with Care Co-ordinator, and SD Healthy Partnership Manager part PH funded post.
Relate - Counselling Support in Amber Valley	Amber Valley	Free counselling for 10+ & family counselling in AV. Chaotic life/MH/DV/drug & Alcohol (with MAT teams) troubled families	£9,821.00	Does not meet funding guidelines, no links to housing, duplication in some areas of work with MAT Teams/ troubled families agenda, Counselling service
VCSPD- Voluntary Community Services Peaks and Dales - Home maintenance service, Derbyshire Dales	Derbyshire Dales	Develop maintenance, gardening, decorating in Ashbourne for older vulnerable people, funded by clients / with handy van etc	£9,959.00	Funding required for business set up costs to run home maintenance service that clients pay for, not clear how this fits with current services (trusted trader) those on low incomes (subsidies) other charitable organisations

				that may carry out this work free or low cost?
Home start South Derbyshire - Home start moving forward	South Derbyshire	Supporting vulnerable families, with at least one child under 5, victims of DV, including teenage parents.	£4,500.00	DCC has taken a strategic decision not to fund Home-Start schemes + No evidence for the demand for the service, duplication of some current housing options services, no evidence of links to other similar services.
DHA Derbyshire Housing Advice - Community learning centre - Next Steps	Erewash	Homeless prevention project	£9,810.00	Project already being delivered in Erewash. No links to current provision by EBC in application.
Amber Trust - On the way to wellbeing	Amber Valley	Five ways to wellbeing. a)connect b)Be active c) Take Notice d)Keep learning e) Give	£10,775.00	Does not meet funding guidelines, no housing element. Already running the Health

				Trainer service
Rural Action Derbyshire - Community Spirit Project	Derbyshire	Good neighbour scheme in rural areas	£7,000.00	Does not meet funding guidelines. Same application as submitted in March 2014. No strategic link or evidence, or links to other agencies who may duplicate some of this work

The funding is allocated for one year only, and the award process requires the organisation to sign Grant Agreement, provide outcomes monitoring data quarterly and to produce an evaluation report to enable effectiveness of the grant spend to be considered.

3. Financial considerations:

The Housing and Health grant funding of £35,608.00 will be funded from the existing public health ring fenced budget.

4. Other considerations:

In preparing this report the relevance of the following factors has been considered: legal, prevention of crime and disorder, equality and diversity, human resources, environmental, health, property and transport considerations.

5. Background papers:

None

6. Key Decision:

No

7. Call-in:

Is it required that call-in be waived in respect of the decisions proposed in the report? No

8. Officer's recommendation:

That the Cabinet Member, Health and Communities approves the allocation of the grant budget as set out in the report.

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