
RAYLEIGH, ROCHFORD AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION FOR VOLUNTARY SERVICE (RAVS) - UPDATE ON PERFORMANCE

1 SUMMARY

- 1.1 This report updates Members on the progress made by RAVS against their business plan as approved by the Grants to Outside Organisations Sub-Committee in July 2007.

2 INTRODUCTION

- 2.1 The Grants to Outside Organisations Sub-Committee approved three year funding for RAVS subject to satisfactory performance against their business plan.
- 2.2 It was agreed at the meeting that Members would receive updates at 6 monthly intervals on their progress and Officers would meet with them every three months to monitor performance. The Community Planning Officer met with them in November and February.

3 Progress made against the Business Plan

- 3.1 The Business Plan attached as Appendix A sets out the progress made in detail since the agreement in July.
- 3.2 Developments worth highlighting here and some being in addition to the Business Plan are:-
- The Volunteer Centre achieving accredited status in December 2007.
 - RAVS has passed level One of the PAQASSO accreditation – a quality assurance system.
 - Securing £23k of funding with the STAR partnership to provide joint training in Rochford and Rayleigh for people currently seeking employment to gain CV, interview and IT skills.
 - A bid to the National Capacity Builders programme for three year funding that will further support their and the sectors development to be better able to provide support to front line organisations. The outcome of this bid will be known at the end of March, but is worth £135,000 over the three years.
 - Being the fund holder for the Active Rochford Partnership.
 - Bid to Adult Health & Community Well-being for £18k to provide an Adult Carers project.

4 RECOMMENDATION

- 4.1 It is proposed that the Board **RESOLVES** to note the progress and achievements of RAVS to date.

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Background Papers:-

Grants to Outside Organisations Sub-Committee – 26 July 2007.

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