



Rochford District Council

To the Meeting of: CORPORATE RESOURCES SUB-COMMITTEE

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Report of: HEAD OF FINANCIAL SERVICES

Title: GRANTS TO OUTSIDE BODIES

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Report approved by

Corporate Objectives

To increase Rochford's focus on the community in all stages of the service-planning and delivery process

Background

The Head of Financial Services attaches at Appendix 1 a list of grant applications from new applicants, at Appendix 2 a list of applications from existing or previous recipients, at Appendix 3 a list of applications for hall hire and at Appendix 4 an application received as a result of the advertisement in Rochford District Matters.

As requested by this Sub Committee at its meeting on 11 November 1999, the availability of grants was advertised in the December issue of Rochford District Matters. As will be seen from above, one completed application had been received in time for the preparation of this report, although enquiries have been made by other organisations.

Members will recall that a set of criteria for the consideration of applications has been established and is set out below:-

(A) Service Delivery Priority

1. Provide a cost effective, community-focused service that complements the local authority's statutory priorities.
2. Provide a cost effective, community-focused service that complements the local authority's discretionary priorities.

- 3 Provide a local service either solely or mainly for the following priority groups:

Elderly
Handicapped
Children
Other groups identified through the Council's policies.

(B) Funding Priority

1. Applications must be made each year. Any organisation not submitting an application will not receive funding.
2. Totally dependent on Rochford District Council's funding.
3. Rochford District Council's funding represents greater than 50% of total funding.
4. Rochford District Council's grant is a valued contribution towards funding, and represents 10% or more of the organisation's total funding.
5. Rochford District Council's grant is notional funding towards the service and represents less than 10% of the organisation's total funding.
6. The remainder of the grants budget not awarded by the end of the financial year to be carried forward to the following financial year.

Any applications received during the year will be judged solely against the above criteria.

Some organisations may be selected to give a presentation to the Council's Corporate Resources Sub Committee in support of their application.

Year 2000/2001

A copy of the current draft estimates for 2000/2001 in respect of grants and community support is attached at Appendix 5.

Crime and Disorder Implications

None

Environmental Implications

None

Financial Implications

The recommendations as approved will be included in the budget for 2000/2001.

Legal Implications

None.

Parish Implications

Applications have been received from most parishes in the District.

Proposed that this Sub-Committee RECOMMENDS

That the applications shown in Appendices 1, 2, 3 and 4 to this report be determined. (HFS)

Background Papers

Applications from