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## GRANTS TO OUTSIDE BODIES

### 1 SUMMARY

- 1.1 Attached at **Appendix 1** to this report is a list of grant applications from existing recipients, and at **Appendix 2** a list of applications from new applicants.

### 2 CRITERIA

- 2.1 The criteria for the consideration of applications is set out below:-

Applications must be made each year. Any organisation not submitting an application will not receive funding.

(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. Totally dependent on Rochford District Council's funding.
2. Rochford District Council's funding represents greater than 50% of total funding.
3. Rochford District Council's grant is a valued contribution towards funding, and represents 10% or more of the organisation's total funding.
4. Rochford District Council's grant is notional funding towards the service and represents less than 10% of the organisation's total funding.

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

Some organisations may be selected to give a presentation to this Committee in support of their application.

### 3 YEAR 2003/2004

- 3.1 The current draft estimates for 2003/2004 in respect of grants and community support is:-

CAB	£72,700
General	£22,450

### 4 CITIZENS ADVICE BUREAU (CAB)

- 4.1 Included at Appendix 1 is an application from Rochford and Rayleigh Citizens Advice Bureau. The table below shows the funding awarded for 2002/3 and details of the Bureau's 2003/4 application.

	2002/03 £	2003/04 Application £	2003/04 Recommendation £
Rochford and Rayleigh CAB	68,000	72,200	70,000
Outreach	1,600		1,600
Mediation	<u>500</u>		<u>500</u>
	70,100	72,200	72,200

- 4.2 The application from the CAB is shown on the main agenda as it is by far the largest single application for support. It is the only service that is scored as a service priority 1 in that it complements the local authority statutory priorities. In the delivery of services, customers must feel that they have access to independent advice. Hence, in many of the Council's services, eg., council tax, housing benefits, housing and homelessness, the Council advises customers to contact the CAB for that independent advice.

### 5 GENERAL GRANTS – PROPOSALS FOR 2003/4

- 5.1 In previous years a list of officer proposed grants relating to Appendix 1 has been made available to the Committee. This list is shown as **Appendix 3**.

- 5.2 The recommendations are based on the following basis:-

- Where grants are notional the figures remain the same
- For the four strategically placed main old people's centres the grant is the same for each. Council funding is to recognise their service delivery and is not related to their net revenue position, premises costs, etc. of any centre.
- The recommended funding for the Historical Society for Rayleigh is an interim award mainly for the third party insurance in respect of Rayleigh Windmill. The support should be

considered after the renovation programme if additional public access is possible.

- The section marked ex hall hire relates to financial support that was linked to the cost of hiring halls from the leisure contractor. As such, the grants were regarded as out of proportion with other funded bodies. The link between hall costs and grants ended some years ago and now the grants are being eased back to a lower level. Previously Members have not applied this reduction to Raleigh Physically Handicapped Club.
- Rochford and District Access Committee currently work with the Council on disability access, etc.
- A higher level of funding is recommended for Rochford Sports Council as one of the Council's partners in the provision of the leisure service.

## 6 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1 The recommendations as approved will be included within the budgets for 2003/2004.

## 7 PARISH IMPLICATIONS

- 7.1 Applications have been received that affect most parishes in the District.

## 8 RECOMMENDATION

It is proposed that the Committee **RESOLVES**

The applications set out in Appendices 1, 2 and 3 to this report.

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### Background Papers:

Application forms

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## APPENDIX 1

## APPLICATIONS FROM EXISTING GRANT RECIPIENTS

	Organisation	Category A/B	2002/3 Grant	2003/4 Request	Funds Held	No. Residents Served	2002/3 Cost of Service	Parish Council Grant?	Registered Charity?	Use to which 2002/3 Grant was put	Benefits derived from 2002/3 Grant	Use to which 2003/4 Grant would be put.	Remarks.
			£	£	£		£	£					
1	Barling Magna Evergreens Club	3 / 4	110	115	600	40	3,000	No	No.	Entertainment, hall rent, Christmas dinner.	The grant was much appreciated by members.	Entertainment, strawberry tea, etc.	This is a social club for senior citizens, with weekly social meetings.
2	Cruse Bereavement Care – Southend Branch	3 / 4	100	300	3,540	60	3,054	£100 from Rochford	Yes	Towards training counsellors.	Enabled counsellors to provide a better service.	Towards expenses of counsellors working in the District.	The organisation provides free support to the bereaved. Friendship Groups are held in Rochford and Rayleigh.
3	Essex Racial Equality Council	3 / 4	620	900	10,296	Work only partially client based.	Estimate RDC £4,500, Essex £88,000	No.	Yes.	To increase services in the Rochford District.	Organisations within the District received advice and assistance.	Towards continuing and publicising the service.	EREC officers support and assistance to victims of racial harassment and discrimination and promotes equality.
4	Great Wakering OAP Club	3 / 4	100	100	1,000	90	10,000	No.	No.	Towards rent of hall.	Enabled costs to be kept down.	Towards cost of hall hire.	Fortnightly social meetings, occasional outings and functions for the elderly of Gt. Wakering.

	Organisation	Cate- gory A/B	2002/3 Grant	2003/4 Re- quest	Funds Held	No. Resi- dents Served	2002/3 Cost of Service	Parish Coun- cil Grant?	Regi- stered Char- ity?	Use to which 2002/3 Grant was put	Benefits derived from 2002/3 Grant	Use to which 2003/4 Grant would be put.	Remarks.
			£	£	£		£	£					
5	Historical Society of Rayleigh (formerly Rayleigh Antiquarian and Natural History Society)	3 / 3	190	300	640	121 member s, but Mill open to general public.	1,230	No.	No.	Payment of third party insurance premium.	Meant that insurance premiums did not have to be met from members' subscriptions.	Towards insurance premium and electricity costs.	The Society holds meetings & outings for its members + voluntarily manning the mill when it is open to the public.
6	Hockley and Hawkwell Old People's Welfare Committee.	3 / 4	3,300	5,000	21,100 Sinking fund £50,600	Approx. 70	69,150	No.	Yes.	To offset transport and minibus costs and help with visiting service.	Enabled charges to clients to be kept to a minimum.	Towards transport and day to day running costs.	The Committee runs a day centre for the elderly and disabled 5 days a week, with a hot lunch and afternoon activities. Outings and visiting service also arranged for housebound. The sinking fund is to provide for the repair and improvement of the premises.

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			£	£	£		£	£					
7	Hullbridge Pensioners Fellowship	3 / 4	110	200	9,100	100	1,900	No	No.	Towards the cost of hall rent, entertainment and functions.	Enabled the Club to keep membership fees down.	Towards the cost of hall hire and entertainment.	The Club holds trips, holidays and functions for the elderly as well as weekly meetings with entertainment and refreshments and celebratory gifts for Christmas, anniversaries, etc.
8	Hullbridge Senior Citizens Welfare Council.	3 / 3	3,300	25,000	5,700	50-60	24,000	No.	Yes	Maintenance work and general upkeep of Day Centre.	Centre maintained in good order.	Replacement of some fire doors and windows and, if possible, installation of gates to prevent youths from causing a nuisance.	The Welfare Committee runs a Day Centre 4 days a week lunches and social activities for the elderly.
9	Mayday Mobile	3 / 3	1,100	2,000	38,500	896 drives	13,000	No.	Yes	Towards office running expenses.	Enabled service to continue.	Towards office expenses, maintenance of minibus and wheelchair and drivers' mileage claims.	Mayday provides a transport service for the elderly and disabled of the District for appointments, shopping, outings, etc. They also run a weekly club and a loan scheme for walking aids. They consider the Council gets good value for its grant.

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			£	£	£		£	£					
10	Rayleigh Age Concern	3 / 3	3,300	3,300	24,600 (incl. reserve of £10,666 )	30+	17,500	No	Yes	Towards running and transport costs.	Enabled service to continue.	Towards running and refurbishment costs.	The organisation provides lunches, light refreshments and some social functions for the elderly.
11	Rayleigh Friends of Southend Hospital Cancer Centre.	3 / 3	110	110	25	All cancer patients benefit, but it is not known how many live in the District.	250	No.	No.	Towards hall hire	Enabled hall hire for 2 events which raised over £800.	Towards the cost of hall hire for fundraising events.	The Friends hold events to raise funds for additional equipment, services and support for cancer patients at Southend Hospital. Balances held are low as funds raised are paid to the hospital monthly. Over £12,000 was raised in the past year.
12	Rayleigh Good Fellowship Club	3 / 3	560	1,500	2,700	80+	3,000	No.	No.	Towards hall hire costs.	Enabled Club to keep members' subscriptions low.	Towards the increasing costs of hall hire and entertainment.	The Club holds weekly social meetings for the elderly
13	Rayleigh No. 1 Club.	3 / 3	450	2,000	2,230	80+	3,500	No.	Yes.	Towards the cost of hall hire and social activities.	Increased club membership.	Towards maintaining Club at present standards and cost of hall hire.	The Club holds weekly meetings, occasional trips and holidays for the elderly.

	Organisation	Cate- gory A/B	2002/3 Grant	2003/4 Re- quest	Funds Held	No. Resi- dents Served	2002/3 Cost of Service	Parish Coun- cil Grant?	Regi- stered Chari- ty?	Use to which 2002/3 Grant was put	Benefits derived from 2002/3 Grant	Use to which 2003/4 Grant would be put.	Remarks.
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14	Rayleigh Physically Handicapped Club.	3 / 3	800	800	5,200	45	3,000	No.	Yes (Affili- ated)	Towards hall hire costs.	Able to devote higher proportion of funds to entertainment.	Towards hall hire costs.	The Club holds weekly social meetings and regular entertain- ment for disabled residents of Rayleigh.
15	Rayleigh Over 50 No. 2 Club	3 / 3	250	300	350	50+	660	No.	No.	Towards entertainment and outings.	Enabled service to continue.	Towards the cost of providing entertainment.	The Club provides regular social meetings and outings for the elderly.
16	Rochford & District Access Committee for the Disabled.	3/1	100	160	520	Not known.	190	No.	No.	Towards running costs.	Enabled Access Committee to carry on its work for a further year.	Towards the annual running costs of the Committee.	The Access Committee attempts to ensure that all residents are able to access all buildings within the District.
17	Rochford & District Old People's Welfare Committee.	3 / 3	3,300	4,000	32,270	Approx. 50	25,900	£300	Yes	Towards general running and catering costs.	Enabled Committee to continue its work.	Towards running costs.	The Welfare Committee provides day centre facilities including lunches, entertainment and other services for the elderly.

	Organisation	Category A/B	2001/2 Grant	2002/3 Re-request	Funds Held	No. Residents Served	2001/2 Cost of Service	Parish Council Grant?	Registered Charity?	Use to which 2001/2 Grant was put	Benefits derived from 2001/2 Grant	Use to which 2002/3 Grant would be put.	Remarks.
			£	£	£		£	£					
18	Rochford & Rayleigh CAB	1 / 2	68,000	72,200	69,200 (21,889 earmarked)	13,000	112,700	Total of £1,200 from Hullbridge, Hawkwell and Rochford	Yes	Salaries, overheads and running costs.	Enabled Bureau to continue operating.	To meet the cost of salaries, overheads and running costs.	The Bureau would be forced to close without the Council grant. It provides free advice and information on benefits, employment, legal matters, etc.
19	Rochford Sports Council.	2/1	2,250	4,350	5,800	Not known	8,50	No.	No.	Towards cost of Festival or Sport; sponsoring and coaching athletes.	Enabled courses to be held and grants made towards children's expenses.	Towards admin. Costs, grants to County level athletes, sponsorship of coaching, staging of Festival of Sport and room hire for meetings.	The Sports Council gives monetary grants, training, support and liaison to local sports clubs and individuals and runs an annual Festival of Sport.
20	Royal Association for Deaf People	3 / 4	550	1,000	Branch figure not available	Variable	70,000 (national organisation)	No.	Yes	Towards running costs of Southend centre.	Enabled services to be maintained.	Towards running costs.	The Association provides care and support at its Southend Centre for hearing impaired people.

## APPENDIX 2

## ORGANISATIONS NOT CURRENTLY RECEIVING GRANT

	Organisation	Category A/B	2003/4 re-request	Funds Held	No. Residents Served	2002/3 Cost of Service	Parish Council Grant?	Registered Charity?	Use to which 2003/4 Grant would be put.	Remarks.
			£	£		£	£			
1	Canewdon Community Association and Village Hall	3/3	1,000	1,100	Facility available to the population of Canewdon	11,000 (+ one off grant for external repairs)	Yes – varies according to project to be carried out - £2,225 in 2001/2	Yes	Towards the provision of a new heater for the Hall.	The Association runs the Village Hall which is used for village community events and hired for private and club functions. The Association also provides a newsletter. The present heating is inadequate, particularly for use by the elderly.
2	Guide Association – Rayleigh & Rochford Divisions	3 / 4	1,000	209,800	Approx. 600	Not known	No.	Yes	Towards the cost of replacement of the Association's building.	The facility is used for meetings, training for leaders and Guides, foreign exchange visits, etc.
3	Hockley Over 60's Club	3 / 3	100	500	Approx. 30.	1,200	No	No.	To help boost the Club's entertainment.	The Club provides regular social meetings and functions for the over 60's of Hockley.
4	3 <sup>rd</sup> Rochford Rainbows	3 / -	Not specified	686	16-18	687	No.	No.	To help with the cost of hall and running costs.	Rainbows provides various activities for 5-7 year olds.
5	Rural Community Council of Essex	This was a late application, therefore, the usual information is not available. The application is for £100 for the Rural Initiatives Fund which gives small pump-priming grants to new village-based voluntary initiatives 9 projects were supported in 2001/2, none of which were in Rochford District.								
6	Stepping Out Club	3 / 4	£150	1,037	9	1,200	No.	No.	Towards the cost of hall hire and outings.	The Club provides social activities and outings for the blind and partially sighted.
7	So Speak	3 / 4	12,000	17,200	Variable	12,000	No	Yes	Towards the funding of an agency which was previously funded by the Primary Care Trust. Original application made to Drug Reference Agency.	So Speak is an agency which gives help and support to people who were abused during childhood, many of who turn to drugs and/or alcohol. Clients referred from GP's, Social Services, psychiatrists, etc.
8	Victim Support	3 / 4	2,000	47,900	Approx 1,500	56,000	No	Yes	Towards training costs and volunteers' expenses and raising awareness of the service in the District.	The organisation offers free, confidential support and help to crime victims.