
GRANTS TO OUTSIDE ORGANISATIONS

1 SUMMARY

- 1.1. This report sets out the applications to be considered for financial support in 2006/07. **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
 - People with disabilities
 - 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 2006/2007

- 3.1. The current draft estimates for 2006/2007 in respect of grants and community support is:-

CAB	£ 78,200
General	£ 30,500

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 2005/6 and details of the Bureau's 2006/7 application.

	2005/06	2006/07 Application	2006/07 Recom- mendation
	£	£	£
Rochford and Rayleigh CAB	74,300	79,400	76,500
Outreach	1,800	=	=
	76,100	79,400	76,500

- 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.
- 4.3. The outreach payment was not used in 2005/6 and has therefore been withdrawn for 2006/7.

5 GENERAL GRANTS – PROPOSALS FOR 2006/7

- 5.1 In previous years a list of officer proposed grants relating to Appendices 1 & 2 has been made available to the Committee. This list is shown as **Appendix 3**. (This is to follow)
- 5.2 The recommendations are based on the following :-
- Where grants are notional the figures remain the same as for 2005/6.
 - 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 in line with their responsibilities within the new management arrangements.
- 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. Members have previously not applied this reduction to Rayleigh Physically Handicapped Club.
- A slightly higher level of funding is recommended for Rochford Sports Council and Rochford and District Access Committee due to their position as partners to the Council in the provision of services.
- Rayleigh and Rochford Association of Voluntary Service (RRAVS) had a service level agreement with the Authority. This agreement needs to be reviewed with other partner agencies, particularly in the light of the Local Area Agreement process and the involvement of the local voluntary sector within the Council. The recommendation shown in Appendix 3 should, therefore, be regarded as interim.

6 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1 The recommendations as approved can be met from the provisions within the budgets for 2006/2007.

7 PARISH IMPLICATIONS

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

8 RECOMMENDATION

- 8.1 It is proposed that the Committee **RESOLVES** to consider the applications as shown 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	2005/6 Grant	2006/7 Re-request	Funds Held	No. Residents Served	2005/6 Cost of Service	Parish Council Grant?	Registered Charity?	Use to which 2005/6 Grant was put	Benefits derived from 2005/6 Grant	Use to which 2006/7 Grant would be put.	Remarks.
			£	£	£		£	£					
1	Barling Magna Evergreens Club	3 / 5	110	Not specified	2,070	40	2,000	No	No.	Towards the cost of purchasing a piano.	Improved entertainment for members.	Maintaining levels of finance.	The Club offers entertainment and social activities to the elderly.
2	Essex Racial Equality Council	3 / 4	680	1,500	19,500 as at 31.3.05	In 2004/5 – no clients from RDC	30,000	No.	Yes	Towards running costs.	Enabled support to be available for Rochford residents if required.	Towards running costs.	EREC gives free advice to victims of racial discrimination, employers and the community and on community development.
1	Great Wakering OAP Club	3 / 5	100	100	5,300	80	7,400	No.	No.	Towards rent of hall and kitchen	The grant is a small proportion of the Club's income.	Towards cost of hall hire.	Regular social meetings, occasional outings and functions for the elderly of Gt. Wakering.
4	Historical Society of Rayleigh	3 / 5	235	195	150	167 members	1,350	No.	No.	Mainly related to payment of third party insurance premium	Insurance cover for the Historical Society for public opening of the Windmill and other activities.	Towards insurance premium and electricity costs.	The Society holds meetings & outings for its members + voluntarily mans the mill when it is open to the public.

	Organisation	Category A/B	2005/6 Grant	2006/7 Re-quest	Funds Held	No. Residents Served	2005/6 Cost of Service	Parish Council Grant?	Registered Charity?	Use to which 2005/6 Grant was put	Benefits derived from 2003/4 Grant	Use to which 2006/7 Grant would be put.	Remarks.
			£	£	£		£	£					
5	Hockley and Hawkwell Old People's Welfare Committee.	3 / 5	3,600	3,750	64,300	250-300	70,000	YesHockley PC	Yes.	Towards transport and vehicle maintenance costs and salaries.	Enabled services to be maintained.	Towards running, transport and salary costs.	The Day Centre provides hot lunches 5 days a week, a transport and visiting service and entertainment and outings for the elderly and disabled of Hawkwell and Hockley.
6	Hullbridge Pensioners Fellowship	3 / 5	110	150	3,800	110	3,000	No	No.	Towards the cost of cards and flowers for sick members.	Enabled Club to maintain its service.	To support services funded by the Club.	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.
7	Hullbridge Senior Citizens Welfare Council.	3 / 4	3,600	5,000	1,000 as at 31.3.05	30-40 per day. Open 3 1/2 days per week	15,000	Yes in 2005 from Hullbridge PC	Yes	Running costs of day centre and contribution towards replacement fire doors.	Improved standard of food and improved security.	To maintain low meal costs and upkeep of building including replacement windows.	The Welfare Committee runs a Day Centre 3 days a week lunches and social activities for the over 50's.

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8	Mayday Mobile	3 / 5	1,220	2,200	12,100	830 drives	12,500	No.	Yes	Running and admin. costs and maintenance of vehicles.	Support of community transport for the elderly and disabled. RDC also provides free accommodation at the Civic Suite, although the 2 nd floor room is not ideal.	Towards running costs.	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.
9	Rayleigh Age Concern	3 / 4	3,400	3,976	25,400	35-40 per day	11,500	No	Yes	Towards running costs.	Enabled service to continue.	Towards improvement of heating system.	The organisation provides lunches, light refreshments and some social functions for the elderly.
10	Rayleigh Good Fellowship Club	3/3	400	2,000	3,400	60+	3,500	No	No.	Towards cost of hall rent.	Enabled Club to continue weekly meetings.	Towards the cost of hall hire.	The Club holds weekly meetings, outings and holidays for Pensioners

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			£	£	£		£	£					
11	Rayleigh No. 1 Club.	3 / 4	325	1,000	5,000	70	3,500	No.	Yes.	Towards the cost of hall hire.	Subsidised outings and low level of subscription.	Towards the cost of hall hire.	The Club holds weekly meetings, occasional trips and holidays for the elderly.
12	Rayleigh Physically Handicapped Club.	3 / 4	800	2,000	15,200	40-50	6,000	No	Yes (Affiliated)	Towards hall hire costs.	Able to devote higher proportion of funds to entertainment and transport	Towards hall hire and vehicle insurance costs.	The Club holds weekly social meetings and regular entertainment for disabled residents of Rayleigh.
13	Relate	3 / 4	900	900	370	143 cases	380,000	No	Yes	To provide a bursary to clients in the Rochford and District area.	Enabled Relate to give 692 hours of support to Rochford residents.	To give a service to Rochford residents who are unable to pay.	Relate offers counselling and support to anyone experiencing relationship problems.
14	Rochford & District Access Committee for the Disabled.	3/2	300	500	80	Total population of District	500	No.	No.	Towards running and transport costs.	Enabled Access Committee to continue its work.	Towards the annual running costs of the Committee.	The Access Committee liaises with organisations at District and County levels to promote disabled access issues.
15	Rochford & District Old People's Welfare Committee.	3 / 4	3,600	4,000	43,500	50 meals per day	20,150	Yes £150 pa from Ashingdon PC	Yes	Towards general running and transport costs.	Prevented loneliness and isolation amongst the elderly, housebound and disabled.	Towards running and transport costs.	The Welfare Committee provides day centre facilities including lunches, entertainment and other services for the elderly.

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16	Rochford & Rayleigh CAB	1/2	76,100	79,400	80,100	16,000	132,000	2,300 from several Parishes	Yes	Salaries, overheads and running costs.	Enabled over 16,000 contacts to be made with clients.	To meet the cost of salaries, overheads, training and running costs and expenses.	The Bureau would be forced to close without the Council grant. It provides free advice and information on benefits, employment, legal matters, etc.
17	Rochford Sports Council.	2/2	3,400	4,400	10,800	Unknown	3,500 in 2004/5	No.	No.	Towards promotion of tournaments and grants.	Enabled courses to be held and grants made towards expenses.	Towards admin. costs, maintaining and improving services.	The Sports Council gives monetary grants, training, support and liaison to local sports clubs and individuals and runs an annual Festival of Sport.
18	Royal Association for the Deaf	3/5	600	750	Funds held at Colchester	250	Not known	No	Yes	Towards running costs.	Enabled deaf residents of the District to obtain help and advice.	Towards running costs.	The Association provides help to the deaf community on all aspects of daily life.

APPENDIX 2

ORGANISATIONS NOT CURRENTLY RECEIVING GRANT

	Organisation	Category A/B	2006/7 re-quest £	Funds Held £	No. Residents Served	2005/6 Cost of Service £	Parish Council Grant? £	Registered Charity?	Use to which 2006/7 Grant would be put.	Remarks.
1	Downhall Under Fives	3/3	Not specified	13,600	20 children per session max.	28,000	No	Yes	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Costs of moving to temporary premises 2. Either repair or renewal of former premises or new building. 	DUF provides play facilities to Rayleigh children. It has had to move to temporary accommodation whilst a survey is carried out to assess the safety and repairability of its permanent home.
2	Essex Disabled People's Association Ltd. (EDPA)	3 / 4	800	861,000	600	64,700 for blood pressure/stroke events.	Not within Rochford District.	Yes	Towards the cost running blood pressure/stroke awareness events in the District.	EDPA is requesting the funding to run blood pressure/stroke awareness events in the District in partnership with Rochford Rotary Club. The grant would cover the cost of accommodation, transport and staff for a 6-hour session.

Appendix 3 is to follow