

GRANTS COMMITTEE AGENDA



Tuesday 1 March 2011

at 2.00 pm

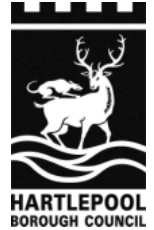
**in Committee Room C,
Civic Centre, Hartlepool**

MEMBERS: GRANTS COMMITTEE:

The Mayor, Stuart Drummond
Councillors Payne and H Thompson

- 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**
- 2. TO RECEIVE ANY DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST BY MEMBERS**
- 3. MINUTES**
 - 3.1 To receive the minutes of the meeting held on 5th January 2011 (previously circulated)
- 4. KEY DECISIONS**

No items
- 5. OTHER ITEMS REQUIRING DECISION**
 - 5.1 Civic Lottery Fund Grant Applications 2010/2011 – *Director of Child and Adult Services*
 - 5.2 Community Safety Capital Grants Allocation – *Director of Regeneration and Neighbourhoods*
 - 5.3 Community Pool 2011/2012 – *Director of Child and Adult Services*
- 6. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION**
 - 6.1 Hartlepool Sports Council Awards Allocation – *Director of Child and Adult Services*



GRANTS COMMITTEE

1st MARCH 2011

Report of: Director of Child and Adult Services

Subject: CIVIC LOTTERY FUND
GRANT APPLICATIONS 2010/2011

SUMMARY

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

The purpose of this report is to advise and seek approval for the third round of Civic Lottery Fund Grant applications in the 2010/2011 financial year.

2. SUMMARY OF CONTENTS

The report asks the Grants Committee to consider 15 applications from local organisations, 10 of which have not previously been supported with funding from the Civic Lottery.

3. RELEVANCE TO THE GRANTS COMMITTEE

The Grants Committee is responsible for determining the level of grant awards from the Civic Lottery.

4. TYPE OF DECISION

Non-key decision.

5. DECISION MAKING ROUTE

Grants Committee to determine awards at meeting, 1st March 2011.

DECISION(S) REQUIRED

The report asks members to approve/note:-

1. Grant aid to those organisations as recommended and detailed in **Appendix 2.**

Report of: Director of Child and Adult Services

Subject: CIVIC LOTTERY FUND
GRANT APPLICATIONS 2010/2011

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to advise and seek approval for the third round of Civic Lottery Fund Grant applications in the 2010/2011 financial year.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 In accordance with the procedure previously approved by the Grants Committee, the annual amount available for distribution of lottery grants is based upon the real rate of interest earned by the capital investment during the previous financial year. The amount is calculated on an apportionment of the Authority's interest balances to reserves; therefore, the total funding available for distribution in 2010/2011 is £12,200.
- 2.2 At a previous meeting of the Grants Committee Members agreed that £1,500 should be made available for Senior Citizens' summer outings and Christmas Parties. Therefore the balance available for distribution for the remainder of the year was £10,700.
- 2.3 **Appendix 1:** Civic Lottery Fund Grant Application Guidelines includes the Civic Lottery criteria and provides information for applicants relating to what can be funded, including funding for specific activities Senior Citizens outings and Christmas parties and team activities.
- 2.4 The current criteria for eligibility and distribution from the Civic Lottery Grant Fund require the Grants Committee to consider applications three times a year, in order that an overall view of applications can be obtained. In previous years, one third of the balance available has been distributed at each of the three meetings. As Members agreed that this approach should be maintained in this financial year, the amount available for distribution at this meeting will be £3,566 plus the balance remaining from the previous funding round of £30 making the total available for distribution at this meeting £3,596.
- 2.5 In order to assist the Grants Committee with the allocation of Civic Lottery funding Officers have considered each application to the fund and have made recommendations in relation to the allocation of funding, details of which can be found as **Appendix 2**.
- 2.6 The total sum sought in Round 3 is £12,030.

3. ROUND 3 APPLICATIONS

3.1 Applications for consideration where no previous grants have been awarded

Copies of the application forms are available in the Members' Library.

App. No.	Organisation	Reason for Application	Total Cost	Sum Sought
3447	A Chance to Succeed	Start up costs of project for students and volunteers	£15,970	£1,200
3448	Golden Flatts F.C.	Assistance with CRB, coaching, pitch, league and affiliation fees	£1,524	£1,500
3450	Hartlepool Carers Teens and Youth	Hall and transport costs	£1,996.40	£2,000
3453	Welfare Athletic F.C.	Assistance with pitch and league fees	£410	£200
3455	Headland F.C.	Assistance with pitch and league fees	£524	£380
3456	St Teresa's RC Church	Assistance with equipment and outings	£4,195	£750
3460	Retired People Table Tennis	Assistance with hire of Rossmere centre	£960	£300
3461	Fens Monday Club	Assistance with running costs including hire of Fens Heron Centre	£3,880	£500
3462	Pink Domino Garden Club	Assistance with hire of marquee for Garden Show and family fun day	£2,971	£570
3465	Hartlepool United Community Sports Foundation	Venue and coach hire	£1,530	£330

3.2 **Applications for consideration – second and subsequent requests**

Copies of the application forms are available in the Members' Library.

App. No.	Organisation	Reason for Application	Total Cost	Sum Sought
3449	Hartlepool Sports Council	Assistance with administration costs for two years	£560	£500
3452	Chester Road F.C.	Assistance with running costs, league, referee and membership fees etc	£900	£900
3457	Hartlepool Schools Football Association	Assistance with running costs including transport and pitch hire	£13,000	£500
3464	Hartlepool Headland Local History Group	Assistance with running costs, refreshments and entertainment to hold event	£5,932.25	£1,000
3467	Schooner Athletic F.C.	Assistance with league, insurance and referees fees	£200	£200

4. RECOMMENDATIONS

The report asks members to approve/note:-

1. Grant aid to those organisations as recommended and detailed in **Appendix 2**.

CONTACT OFFICER: John Mennear, Assistant Director (Child & Adult Services)

Background Papers

Applications to the Civic Lottery 2010/2011.

HARTLEPOOL BOROUGH COUNCIL

CIVIC LOTTERY FUND

GRANT APPLICATION GUIDELINES



Background

The Chief Solicitor advises me that pursuant to Section 7 of the Lotteries and Amusements Act 1976, a Local Authority may promote a local lottery for any purposes and in doing so, must give such publicity to the objects of the local lottery as will be likely to bring them to the attention of persons purchasing tickets or chances, these objects are then reflected in the eligibility criteria. The Authority are under a duty to apply the money accruing from the lottery (including interest) only to the objects of the lottery being that for which the lottery was promoted - as extended by the Secretary of State.

From 1977-1982, a Civic Lottery was promoted by this Council and a Civic Lottery Fund was established, the original object being for leisure recreational or environmental projects. There is provision in the legislation under Section 7(4) for the consent of the Secretary of State to be given to the appropriation of lottery funds to purposes outside the consent, for an amendment in the Council lottery, to include the provision of grants to local charitable organisations and on 4th December, 1989, the said consent was granted. Any further departure from the current criteria would require similar consent.

Current Criteria of the Civic Lottery Fund

The current eligibility criteria for assistance from the Civic Lottery Fund is as follows:-

1. Any application must be for either leisure, recreational or environmental projects and, following approval by the Secretary of State in December, 1989, it is now also possible for charitable organisations to qualify for assistance.
2. The Grants Committee will consider applications for assistance 3 times during the municipal year in order that an overall view of applications can be obtained.
3. The Grants Committee will assess each application on its merit.
4. Applicants must be based in the Borough of Hartlepool.
5. Applicants should be either organisations or individuals supported by a club/organisation.
6. Applicants are restricted to applying for assistance only once every 12 months.
7. The maximum amount of grant allocated is restricted to £2,000.
8. Grants must be claimed within one year of their approval.

Supplementary Criteria:-

Specific criteria relating to funding for team activities, including football, netball and jazz bands:-

- (i) Teams must comprise a majority of residents from areas of disadvantage as identified by the 1991 Census.
- (ii) Grants of up to £200 per team or band up to a maximum of £300 per group may be awarded as a contribution towards running costs. These costs are likely to include pitch and league fees and transport.
- (iii) Grant aid should not be used to establish new teams.
- (iv) Applications for equipment will not be supported, i.e. the purchase of strips, nets, balls etc.

Specific criteria relating to funding for senior citizen groups:-

Funding is available for senior citizens groups for either a summer outing or a Christmas party (not both). This is subject to funds being available and based on the number of members in the club.

- (i) Senior citizens groups with under 30 members can apply for a maximum of £60 for an outing or party.
- (ii) Groups with over 30 members can apply for a maximum of £100 for an outing or party.

Recommendations for Civic Lottery 3rd Round 2010/2011

Number	Group	Reason for grant	Previous grants	Total Cost £	Requested £	Recommendation £
3447	A Chance to Succeed	Assistance with volunteer and students costs i.e. refreshments, volunteer expenses and printing	No	15,970	1,200	£200 towards printing costs
3448	Golden Flatts F.C.	Assistance with CRB checks. coaching courses, pitch, league and affiliation fees.	No	1,524	1,500	£200 for coaching & league fees
3449	Hartlepool and District Sports Council	Assistance with administration costs to cover annual awards expenses for 2 years 2011/2012	Yes	520	500	£250 towards 2 yrs administration costs
3450	Hartlepool Carers Teens and Youth	Assistance with hall hire and transport costs	No	2,996.40	2,000	£270 towards transport costs
3452	Hartlepool Chester Boys F.C.	Assistance with referees fees, kit cleaning, transport, insurance and membership fees	Yes	900	900	£200 towards referees fees
3453	Welfare Athletic F.C.	Assistance with pitch/league fees	No	410	200	£200 towards league fees
3455	Headland F.C.	Assistance with pitch and league fees	No	524	380	£200 towards league fees
3456	St Teresa's Catholic Church	Assistance with equipment and outings	No	4,195	750	£250 towards outings
3457	Hartlepool Schools Football Association	Assistance with running costs i.e transport and pitch fees	Yes	13,027	500	£200 towards transport & league fees
3460	Retired Peoples Table Tennis	Assistance with hire of Rossmere centre	No	960	300	£150 towards hire of centre
3461	Fens Monday Club	Running costs including room hire at Fens Heron Centre, craft materials and outing	No	3,880	500	£240 towards hire of centre
3462	Pink Domino Garden Club	Assistance with hire of marquee for Garden show and Family fun day	No	2,971	570	£350 towards the cost of hiring a marquee

3464	Hartlepool Headland Local History Group	Running costs,, refreshments and entertainment towards holding event	Yes	5,932	1,000	£350 towards cost of event insurance
3465	Hartlepool United Community Sports Foundation	Venue hire and coach hire	No	1,530	1,530	£330 towards coach hire
3467	Schooner Athletic F.C.	Assistance with league, insurance and referees fees	Yes	200	200	£200 towards insurance, referee & league fees
TOTALS					£12,030	£3,590

GRANTS COMMITTEE

1st March 2011



Report of: Director of Regeneration & Neighbourhoods

Subject: COMMUNITY SAFETY CAPITAL GRANTS
ALLOCATIONS

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

The purpose of this report is to advise Members of a request to amend the proposed schedule of works in respect of a Community Safety Capital Fund grant previously awarded and seek consideration/approval for recommended variation.

2. SUMMARY OF CONTENTS

Details of an amended schedule of works relating to the replacement of fencing to Summerhill Allotments.

3. RELEVANCE TO THE GRANTS COMMITTEE

Grants Committee has responsibility for determining the levels and conditions of grant award.

4. TYPE OF DECISION

Non-key.

5. DECISION MAKING ROUTE

Grants Committee on 1st March 2011.

6. DECISION(S) REQUIRED

Members of the Grants Committee are requested to consider/approve recommended amendments to the proposed schedule of works in respect of a previous award for the replacement of fencing at Summerhill Allotments.

Report of: Director of Regeneration & Neighbourhoods

Subject: COMMUNITY SAFETY CAPITAL GRANTS
ALLOCATIONS

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to advise Members of a request to amend the proposed schedule of works in respect of a Community Safety Capital Fund grant previously awarded and seek consideration/approval for recommended variation.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 The Council's capital budget for 2010/11 includes an allocation of £150,000 to implement community safety projects, which are associated with and contribute to Safer Hartlepool Partnership's strategy covering crime, disorder and substance misuse.
- 2.2 However at Cabinet meeting of 15th December 2008, a decision that the allocation of £50,000 from the annual Community Safety Capital budget to provide an investment scheme for CCTV cameras and equipment during 2009/10 to 2011/12 was approved.
- 2.3 Consequently the net Community Safety Capital Fund allocation for 2010/11 is £100,000.
- 2.4 The Safer Hartlepool strategy covers a 3 year period, with annual priorities agreed. Those annual priorities for the year 2010/11 are:
- Drug dealing and supply
 - Violent crime, including domestic abuse
 - Acquisitive crime
 - Criminal damage and anti-social behaviour, including deliberate fire setting
 - Preventing and reducing offending, re-offending and the risk of offending
 - Delivery of the alcohol harm reduction strategy 2006-2009 including the introduction of an effective local alcohol treatment service
 - Reassurance and Community engagement.

- 2.5 The Community Services and Safety Board, at its meeting in August 2000, approved criteria against which to judge a project's proposals as follows:
1. Clearly identifying the link to Action Plans for each relevant objective
 2. Outline the problem and proposals to remedy it
 3. Identify the cost and contribution from the Department budget
 4. Include an approximate timescale for implementation
 5. Include further information which is appropriate for officers/members to know about.
- 2.6 For the 2010/11 capital allocations, matched funding of 35% minimum is requested.
- 2.7 All projects are considered first by the Section 17 Officer Group which comprises senior officer representatives from all Council Departments. Applications are also considered by the Council's Regeneration & Neighbourhoods Departmental Management Team for comment as to how they fit into current financial priorities.

3. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 3.1 The net Community Safety Capital Grant Fund for 2010/11 has been amended to £100,000. A financial adjustment has added £980 to this year's allocation. In addition a contingency grant of £8,000, approved by Grants Committee on 17 August 2009 in respect of the Tunstall Court/Ward Jackson car park project is not required. The monies have, therefore, been recovered and are available towards this year's allocation, the revised overall amount of which is now £108,980.
- 3.2 Grants totalling £108,980 have been awarded during the current year which have fully utilised the 2010/11 allocation.

4. AMENDMENT TO A PREVIOUSLY APPROVED APPLICATION

Summerhill Allotments Security Fencing.

- 4.1 At a Grants Committee Meeting of 2nd. November 2010, Members considered and approved a grant award of £16,900 in respect of the replacement of two sides of the existing external fencing at Summerhill Allotments.
- 4.2 Summerhill Allotments site, comprising of 56 plots of which most are utilised, is situated at the end of Summerhill Lane, adjacent to Catcote School and in close proximity to Summerhill Centre and Country Park. The area is relatively remote, with little residential or business surveillance to assist overall security. The Rift House NAP Forum, has raised concerns regarding the security of the site and tenants which it was felt could be detrimental to

the overall management and occupancy of allotment plots. Furthermore were the allotments to become an attractor for crime and anti-social behaviour there was the risk that this could extend to adjacent premises such as Summerhill Centre and Catcote School.

- 4.3 To improve site security it was initially recommended that a scheme to replace existing 1.6/1.7 metre wood lathe fencing, to two sides, by metal palisade be progressed.
- 4.4 Following the grant award, and after full consultation with allotment plot holders and Community Safety, an alternative proposal has been put forward which if implemented, will result in the security of the site being even further enhanced at no additional cost
- 4.5 The change to the proposal is as follows; to retain the existing wooden boundary fencing and to increase this in height by the addition of a top length of 'mesh style' fencing approximately 650mm depth, clamped to existing fence posts. Horizontal supports will ensure rigidity of the additional height and the top 300 mm will be angled outwards to create a climb deterrent. This works would raise the overall fencing height to a minimum of 2.4 metres.
- 4.6 A particular advantage of this proposal is that an additional boundary of the allotments, which has been identified as being particularly vulnerable to intrusion, can now also be made secure, at the same cost as the original proposal.
- 4.7 The proposed amendment has been considered by the Police Crime Prevention Officer who is supportive of the measures. Adjacent ground levels do afford some external surveillance and the use of mesh to increase fence height will retain that visibility benefit as supported by the allotment strategy.
- 4.8 The original replacement fencing would have required planning approval. The revised arrangements will similarly require approval. Initial discussions have been held with planners and the proposal has been placed before the Planning One Stop Shop as a precursor to a formal application. A verbal update will be presented to Grants Committee Meeting on 1st. March 2011.

Financial Implications

- 4.9 The revised schedule of works will increase the original budgeted cost from £26,000 to £26,300.
- 4.10 Rift House NAP Forum has agreed that their injection of £5,000 will not be affected by the revised programme. Similarly an HBC Minor Works capital sum of £3,350 remains available. A contribution of £750 from revenue budgets will be increased to £1,050 to cover the additional cost.

- 4.11 The previously approved Community Safety Capital Grant award of £16,900 will remain unchanged.
- 4.12 The grant request fulfils the 35% contribution criteria.
- 4.13 All future revenue costs will be met by the Council.

5. RECOMMENDATION

- 5.1 Members of the Grants Committee are requested to approve the recommended variation to the previous grant award for the re-fencing of Summerhill Allotments.

6. BACKGROUND PAPERS

Individual grant application papers.

7. CONTACT OFFICER

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GRANTS COMMITTEE

1st March 2011



Report of: Director of Child and Adult Services

Subject: COMMUNITY POOL 2011/2012

SUMMARY

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

The purpose of this report is to advise and seek approval for the level of grant awards to community groups and voluntary organisations from the Community Pool for 2011/2012.

2. SUMMARY OF CONTENTS

Applications to the Community Pool have been invited for services provided in the 2011/2012 financial year from community groups and voluntary organisations. 28 applications have been made, totalling requests of £722,158.

The Community Pool budget for the 2011/2012 financial year has been set at £444,658. This includes a £50,000 reduction on the base budget of the 2010/2011 financial year which has been agreed as a result of the savings that have to be made because of the reduction in council funding and the Corporate Spending Review.

The balance remaining of the Community Pool for the 2010/2011 financial year is currently £53,132. Officers are requesting that this balance be rolled forward into the 2011/2012 budget. If the request is approved there will be a total balance of £497,790 to be committed during the 2011/2012 financial year.

Within the Community Pool budget, it is usual practice to allocate funding for Directed Lettings: support to groups for the hire of premises. The Directed Lettings allocation for 2011/2012 is £2,900. Also, Members agreed at the meeting of the Grants Committee in September 2010 that funding should be allocated for Hartlepool Sports Council for their sports awards. Therefore, £2,500 is being recommended for Hartlepool Sports Council in 2011/2012 to continue this initiative.

If the roll over of the balance of the 2010/2011 budget is approved and after the deduction of the Directed Lettings and Hartlepool Sports Council allocation this will leave a balance for distribution at this meeting of £492,390.

Three applications are not recommended for funding at this time. Details of these applications are included in the body of the report.

Officers are recommending that the decision relating to one application is deferred to the next meeting of the Grants Committee.

Due to the financial difficulties faced by the Council going into 2011/2012 and the pressures on the voluntary/community sector, the Council is currently reviewing how it supports third sector organisations. The outcome of the review should be known by the end of September 2011. This being the case, options for how the Community Pool could be allocated in 2011/2012 have been provided as **Appendix 2 and Appendix 3** to be considered by Grants Committee.

3. RELEVANCE TO PORTFOLIO MEMBER(S)

The Grants Committee is responsible for determining the level of grant awards from the Community Pool to the voluntary sector.

4. TYPE OF DECISION

Non-key.

5. DECISION MAKING ROUTE

Grants Committee to determine awards at meeting, 1st March, 2011.

6. DECISION(S) REQUIRED

Members are requested to approve/note:-

1. The end of year balance for 2010/2011 Community Pool currently £53,132, to be rolled forward into the 2011/2012 Community Pool budget.
2. The levels of budget allocated for Directed Lettings.
3. An award of £2,500 for Hartlepool Sports Council for their sports award scheme.
4. Consideration of the recommendations in **Appendix 2 and Appendix 3** and approval of funding Options 1 or 2.
5. Recommendations to defer the application from Radio Hartlepool as detailed in the body of the report.
6. Any allocation of grant aid to groups known to be experiencing financial difficulties to be released in monthly/quarterly instalments, as appropriate, in order to safeguard the Council's investment and minimise risk.

7. The rejection of the applications from Red Dreams, Victim Support and Hartlepool Hospice as detailed in paragraph 4.4 of this report.
8. Any remaining balance of the Community Pool to be considered for allocation against bids at future meetings within the 2011/2012 financial year subject to the funding option selected.

Report of: Director of Child and Adult Services

Subject: COMMUNITY POOL 2011/2012

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to advise and seek approval for the level of grant awards to community groups and voluntary organisations from the Community Pool for 2011/2012.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 The Community Pool provides financial assistance to support those aspects of the activities of the voluntary/community/not for profit sector that clearly reflect the aspirations of the Council's Community Strategy.
- 2.2 The Council has identified, within the Community Strategy's aims and themes, a number of corporate strategy priorities. The main objective of the Community Pool is to support the activity of strengthening communities.
- 2.3 Applications are processed against set criteria, which can be found as **Appendix 1**.
- 2.4 Grant aid awarded is generally provided as a contribution towards the core costs of an organisation's operation and in many instances helps to match other funding streams.
- 2.5 The Community Pool budget for the 2011/2012 financial year has been set at £444,658 this includes a £50,000 reduction on the base budget of the 2010/2011 financial year. This reduction in the budget has been agreed as a result of the savings that have to be made because of the Council's reduction in funding due to the cut in the Corporate Spending Review.
- 2.6 However, Officers are requesting the roll forward of the balance of the 2010/2011 Community Pool budget of £53,132. If this request is approved the total available to commit during the 2011/2012 financial year would be £497,790.

3. CONSIDERATION OF AWARDS

- 3.1 Application to the Community Pool is open to all, however, the majority of the applications for 2011/2012 are from groups that have received grant aid previously and are somewhat **dependant** on financial support from the Council to ensure their sustainability.

- 3.2 Applicants can apply for a one-year revenue grant or a three-year tapering revenue grant and as part of the assessment process, applications have been categorised to ensure that financial support is maintained to those groups providing services that complement the Authority's strategic aims and objectives. **Appendix 1** The criteria and guidance notes for applicants provides information for applicants relating to what can be funded and how applications are assessed.
- 3.3 In accordance with the criteria, applications have been categorised as follows:-
- (i) Providers of services that are of strategic importance.
 - (ii) Community development/capacity building initiatives.
 - (iii) Established groups who have been fully constituted for in excess of two years and have not been previously supported from the Community Pool.
 - (iv) Other organisations/groups.
- 3.4 Consideration is given to the group's operational activity with funding provided as a proportion of the core costs and the potential of the group to access other funding in order to achieve a complete financial package for their activities.
- 3.5 Some groups have applied for substantially larger grants compared to those approved for 2010/2011. Some groups have taken action to cope with the reduction in funding from other sources, including measures to reconfigure the activities of the organisation, proactively seeking other funding and making plans to sell their services in order to ensure the sustainability of the organisation. In some cases the outcome of other fundraising applications is imminent and in some cases is dependant on the outcome of any application to the Community Pool. Many groups have identified exit strategies which they will put into place should their bid for to the Community Pool be rejected.
- 3.6 Where grant aid has been approved and where it is considered to be appropriate, in order to safeguard the Council's investment and minimise risk, Officers would suggest that Members of the Grants Committee allow Officers to make an informed decision about the frequency of payments to grant recipients. Normally grant aid is paid out in 2 instalments, but this could be tailored according to the prevailing circumstances of the group to monthly or quarterly payments.

4. **OPTIONS CONSIDERATION FOR 2011/12**

The traditional route of making recommendations, based on the applications received for the new financial year has not been provided for Members consideration within this report. Changes to financial circumstances require consideration of alternative approaches. Two options are proposed. The first option addresses the changed financial position of the Pool. The Community Pool budget for 2011/12 has been reduced by 10% of the 2010/11 budget.

Additionally the Council may make additional cuts to budgets in 2012/13. This is due to the outstanding Service Delivery Review and potential impact of the Comprehensive Spending Review. The second option seeks to apply criteria for future Community Pool disbursement and eligibility in line with Member recommendations proposed as part of the Budget process. These aim to target commissioning of service provision with measurable outcomes rather than the current contribution to core costs. Two options for recommendations are included as **Appendix 2** and **Appendix 3**.

Option 1 includes recommendations that are based on the award that the group received in 2010/2011 then reduced by 10% which is in keeping with the reduction to the overall reduction in the Community Pool budget. Therefore, no account is made of the actual bid submitted where this has for some reason, been increased beyond that of the award in 2010/11.

However, additional consideration has been given to those groups that would be disproportionately affected by any reduction to their funding. Where this is deemed to be the case additional funding has been allocated to bring these awards back to the current years level. An Equality Impact Assessment has been prepared and is included for Members information as **Appendix 4**.

Option 2 is a more radical recommendation and proposes funding for a 6 month period only. Grant recommendation is calculated as 50% of the grant within the Option 1 recommendation. If Members approve this option all groups who are awarded a grant would have the funding paid in one instalment. The balance of the Community Pool after the six month period would be £261,981. This approach would allow for a 'new scheme' to be established in this current financial year which would provide support through grants or commissioning to groups providing services that are of strategic importance.

The basis of this option is in line with a Member desire to move from core cost contribution to that of a 'commissioned' service in recognition of clearly determined and delivered outcomes.

This may prove somewhat difficult to bring into fruition in the timescale identified and bears a considerable risk that it is: a) undeliverable, and b) causes extensive hardship for the supported groups. The implication being that if a group were no longer supported, they may be left with insufficient time to manage a downsizing of operation or have funding to cover their staff redundancy liabilities.

This is not a viable option in the view of Officers for 2011/12. However, it is included for consideration as it does reflect longer term expressed Member wishes. It could be developed within 2011/12 in order to be approved and implemented from 2012/13. In this way all current groups would be aware of the new funding proposal and criteria from the time of the annual call for 2012/13 submissions in November 2011.

5. GRANT APPLICATIONS FOR 2011/2012

5.1 As detailed in paragraph 2.6 of this report, the total budget available for 2011/2012 is £497,790. 28 applications from community groups and voluntary organisations that provide services in Hartlepool have been received. The value of these applications totals £722,158 far exceeding the total budget available.

5.2 **Appendix 2 and Appendix 3** provides a list of all the applications to the Community Pool for 2011/2012 and details 2 options for recommendations relating to those applications. Where funding is being recommended, information relating to the expenditure of the grant is also provided. Detailed below, are the four broad areas into which these applications fall:-

5.3 One: Ongoing Commitments

Within the Community Pool budget it is usual practice to allocate funding for Directed Lettings: support to groups for the hire of premises. Based on demand in the 2010/2011 financial year, Officers are recommending that £2,900 should be allocated for Directed Lettings for 2011/2012.

At a meeting of the Grants Committee in September 2010 Members approved an award of £2,500 for Hartlepool Sports Council and also agreed that the funding should be allocated every year thereafter at the beginning of the year as a contribution towards their annual sports awards. Officers are recommending that £2,500 be allocated for 2011/2012 to Hartlepool Sports Council.

Taking all of the above into consideration the uncommitted balance available for distribution therefore is £492,390.

5.4 Two: Applications Recommended for Rejection

Red Dreams: The application from Red Dreams is being recommended for rejection at this time. The application falls into Category 3 'Established groups who have not been previously supported'. Officers are recommending rejection of this application because another existing, regularly supported group carries out similar work to Red Dreams is being recommended for support and as resources are limited we must avoid duplication of provision. Also as the group has not been supported from the Community Pool previously the group won't be deemed reliant on funding from the Community Pool.

Victim Support: The application from Victim Support is being recommended for rejection at this time because the application is for an enhanced service over and above what is currently being provided in Hartlepool at the moment. Victim Support is in receipt of a considerable grant from the North East Region Ministry of Justice Grant for the Teesside Division, the Head Office of which is based in Middlesbrough. This grant supports all the work delivered from Middlesbrough. Victim Support has also applied to the Safer

Hartlepool Partnership for funding for the Hartlepool project but the outcome of this application is not known yet. As Victim Support has not been supported with funding from the Community Pool in recent years and as resources are limited, and the application is for a considerable amount, £28,325, officers do not feel that given the pressures on the budget it would be appropriate to make a positive recommendation in relation to this application at this time.

Hartlepool Hospice: The application from Hartlepool Hospice is being recommended for rejection at this time. As Hartlepool Hospice has not been supported with funding in recent years, and are therefore not reliant on funding from the Community Pool and as resources are limited and the application is for a considerable amount, £25,338, officers are recommending rejection of this application.

5.5 Three: Applications Recommended for Funding

With the budget being substantially oversubscribed Officers have taken a very cautious approach in relation to the formulation of the levels of funding recommended for applicant groups.

In some cases, substantial increases on last years levels have been requested; usually because a funding stream which was previously used to match local authority funding has come to an end. However, because of the difficult financial situation that the council finds itself in and the savings that have to be made from the Community Pool, two options are being put before the Grants Committee for their consideration and are included as **Appendix 2** and **Appendix 3**.

In both funding options there are 24 applications which are being recommended for approval at this meeting. All of these applications are from groups that have been supported with funding from the Community Pool previously and have come to some extent to depend on this funding.

The loss of funding from other sources could result in some groups making supplementary applications to the Community Pool in the new financial year having to reduce services or cease their operation altogether. When expressions of interest were invited from groups the information that was sent to them at the time explained the financial pressures the Council were facing and that some difficult decisions may have to be made. However, Officers feel that it is important to stress that Hartlepool Borough Council via the Community Pool or otherwise does not have the resources to replace funding lost from other sources and that voluntary sector groups should take appropriate measures to reduce their dependency on grant funding. It would appear that many groups have taken action, have drawn up exit strategies and some have issued redundancy notices to staff.

Specific Issues relating to applications recommended for funding

Officers would like to highlight some specific issues relating to 4 applications which are being recommended for funding at this time. Clearly a 10% cut in

the size of the Community Pool would impact on the community generally. An Equality Impact Assessment aims to identify any negative impact in relation to those groups protected under equality legislation as well as ensuring good race relations are promoted. There are 4 groups which fall into the criteria of the assessment. Details of which follow:-

Harbour: The Harbour project is jointly funded by Stockton Borough Council. We have been advised that Stockton Borough Council will be supporting the project into 2011/2012. Therefore Officers are recommending that the grant awarded from the Community Pool for 2011/2012 is maintained at the same level as the award for 2010/2011 to enable the project to carry on. This being the case Officers are recommending that an award of £15,760 be approved for SEARCH.

Hartlepool Access Group: Shopmobility: Members are aware of the difficulties Shopmobility were having during 2009/2010. The group has made positive changes to its management and has reorganised its structure enabling the group to operate within its means. However, Shopmobility is still reliant on its funding from the Community Pool because the funding is matched with funding from PPG Ltd, who manage the Middleton Grange Shopping Centre, this being the case if the grant from the Community Pool was reduced then the likelihood is that PPG would reduce their grant, which would have double the impact on Shopmobility. Therefore, Officers are recommending that any award to Shopmobility be maintained at the level that was approved in 2010/2011 which was £23,949.

The Salaam Centre: As a result of this work it has been established that The Salaam Centre could be affected by a reduction to its grant more than other groups because of the clientele it serves and the fact that it is the only organisation that works with the ethnic minority groups in Hartlepool. The centre is moving to new premises in March which is a critical point in the group's development. However, the running costs of the new building will be uncertain and the groups bid to the Community Pool for 2011/2012 was based upon estimates for the running of the new building. Therefore, any reduction in funding could cause the group serious financial pressures and could put at risk the successful relocation of The Salaam Centre. Officers are recommending that the grant to the Salaam Centre for 2011/2012 is maintained at 2010/2011 levels which is £15,850.

Hart Gables: As a result of carrying out the Equality Impact Assessment Officers are recommending that the award to Hart Gables is maintained at 2010/2011 levels. As Hart Gables is the only group in Hartlepool providing services specifically for the gay and lesbian community in Hartlepool Officers are recommending that an award of £11,556 is approved for 2011/2012.

5.5 Four: Deferred Applications

Officers are recommending that decision relating to the application by Radio Hartlepool be deferred until the next meeting of the Grants Committee. Radio Hartlepool has not yet achieved the quality assurance mark PQASSO.

Funding for the assessment was provided from the Community Pool in the current financial year. Also, the outcome of the Viewpoint survey is not known yet. Radio Hartlepool has been included in the survey which went out in January 2011. The findings of the survey will assist Officers to make an informed decision regarding the bid from Radio Hartlepool.

This being the case funding has not been ring fenced for this application and any future award would reduce the balance remaining for any applications from groups who may require consideration of further in-year support to safeguard their future.

6 CONCLUSION

- 6.1 For the 2011/2012 financial year, a total of 28 applications have been made by community groups and voluntary organisations that provide services in Hartlepool. The value of the applications totals £722,158 which far exceeds the budget available of £497,790 which includes the roll forward of the balance of the 2010/2011 budget. **Appendix 2** and **Appendix 3** provides a list of all the applications.
- 6.2 For 2011/12 it is strongly advised that option 1 for grant disbursement is selected. This is soundly based on the current criteria and is clearly based on fair and equitable reduction in grant as determined in the 2011/12 budget setting process fully approved at Council on 10 February 2011.

7 RECOMMENDATIONS

Members are requested to approve/note:-

1. The end of year balance for 2010/2011 Community Pool currently £53,132, to be rolled forward into the 2011/2012 Community Pool budget.
2. The levels of budget allocated for Directed Lettings.
3. An award of £2,500 for Hartlepool Sports Council for their sports award scheme.
4. Consideration of the recommendations in **Appendix 2** and **Appendix 3** and approval of funding Options 1 or 2.
5. Recommendations to defer the application from Radio Hartlepool as detailed in the body of the report.
6. Any allocation of grant aid to groups known to be experiencing financial difficulties to be released in monthly/quarterly instalments, as appropriate, in order to safeguard the Council's investment and minimise risk.
7. The rejection of the applications from Red Dreams, Victim Support and Hartlepool Hospice as detailed in paragraph 4.4 of this report.
8. Any remaining balance of the Community Pool to be considered for allocation against bids at future meetings within the 2011/2012 financial year subject to the funding option selected.

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Background Papers

Applications to the Community Pool 2011/2012.



HARTLEPOOL BOROUGH COUNCIL

COMMUNITY POOL 2011/2012

CRITERIA AND GUIDANCE NOTES FOR APPLICANTS

The main aim of the Community Pool is to support those aspects of the activities of the voluntary/ community/not for profit sector that clearly reflect the aspirations of the Council's Community Strategy and Neighbourhood Renewal Strategy.

HARTLEPOOL AMBITION

COMMUNITY STRATEGY AND NEIGHBOURHOOD RENEWAL STRATEGY 2008-2020

Within the main strategic document, there are 8 aims and themes, which are clearly set out as priorities:-

- Jobs and the Economy
- Life Long Learning and Skills
- Health Care
- Community Safety
- Environment
- Housing
- Culture and Leisure
- Strengthening the Communities

CORPORATE STRATEGY

The Council has identified within the Community Strategy's aims and themes a number of corporate strategy priorities. The main objective of the Community Pool is to support the activity of strengthening communities.

Community Pool resources are targeted to vulnerable sectors of the community and to those organisations delivering effective and appropriate services that complement the Authority's strategic aims, "to empower individuals, groups and communities and increase the involvement of citizens in all decisions that affect their lives".

Within the Strengthening Communities theme are a number of objectives which groups funded from the Community Pool can collaborate with the Council to achieve its corporate objectives:-

- To empower local people to take a greater role in the planning and delivery of services and strategies that affect their individual lives, their local neighbourhood and the wider community.
- To increase opportunities for everyone to participate in consultation, especially "hard to reach" groups and those communities affected.
- To improve the accessibility of services and information ensuring that providers address the varied needs and requirements of the whole community.
- To fully value the voluntary and community sector and to support them to secure their long-term future through contracted service delivery, promoting volunteering and the agreement of longer term funding settlements.
- To ensure Hartlepool is a cohesive community where there is a sense of belonging for all and where people of different backgrounds, circumstances and generations are able to get along free from discrimination and harassment.

In order to identify the most disadvantaged communities for the purposes of assessing applications to the Community Pool, the rankings found in the Index of Multiple Deprivation 2004 will be used to ascertain the nature of deprivation in Hartlepool.

The following ward is in the top 1% of deprived wards nationally: **Stranton**.

The following wards are in the top 5% of deprived wards nationally: **Owton, Dyke House, Brus, St Hilda**.

The following wards are in the top 10% of deprived wards nationally: **Grange, Rift House.**

Groups targeting areas of greatest disadvantage in the town will receive a higher priority for funding.

Weightings will be applied to grant applications depending on the location of the applicant organisation and the area they serve.

FUNDING CATEGORIES

The Community Pool funding categories are as follows:-

(i) PROVIDERS OF SERVICES THAT ARE OF STRATEGIC IMPORTANCE. This includes:-

Those groups/organisations that provide services to support disadvantaged individuals. Groups may require specialist expertise, e.g. Legal advice, debt counselling, and self-improvement opportunities.

Applications from those groups providing services that directly complement the services provided by the local authority and are considered strategically important will receive priority particularly those who provide:-

- Legal advice and guidance.
- Income generation, credit union support and debt counselling.
- Voluntary sector infrastructure support: accreditation, management, fundraising.
- Counselling services.

(ii) COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT/CAPACITY BUILDING INITIATIVES. This includes:-

those groups which support the development of community capacity, including the formation of tenants and residents groups, and seek to improve interaction between local residents and statutory service providers, including local partnerships and networks and groups working proactively to facilitate the engagement of disadvantaged sectors, to encourage them on to the first step and then signpost them onto provision elsewhere, if necessary, providing support and training to encourage self help.

Applications from local community groups, particularly those who actively provide:-

- Advocacy in relation to issues affecting the voluntary sector.
- Support to strengthen voluntary sector infrastructure; accreditation, management.
- Support with fundraising.
- Support to volunteers.
- Development of capacity building projects/activities.

(iii) ESTABLISHED GROUPS WHO HAVE NOT PREVIOUSLY BEEN SUPPORTED FROM THE COMMUNITY POOL

Groups who are considered to be established i.e. who have been fully constituted for in excess of 2 years, who have not been awarded grant aid from the Community Pool previously can apply for financial support if they are meeting the aims and objectives of the Community Pool.

(iv) OTHER ORGANISATIONS/GROUPS. This includes:-

All applications, which do not fall into the other 3 categories, but provide valuable services with measurable outcomes for the benefit of Hartlepool residents living in the most disadvantaged wards, can be considered for funding.

ALLOCATION OF FUNDING FROM THE COMMUNITY POOL

Funding is offered on a two-tier system.

➤ 3 YEAR REVENUE TAPERED GRANT

Groups can apply for a 3 year tapered funding agreement in principle subject to budgetary availability. In the second and third years of the agreement, grant recipients will be afforded, in principle, 75% and then 50% of the award made in Year 1. Under this scheme, groups cannot apply for funding from the Community Pool in year 4.

➤ 1 YEAR REVENUE TAPERED GRANT

1 year funding with applications being processed alongside all others in subsequent years.

Grant aid will only be approved for revenue funding to support organisational running costs. A funding formula will be applied with the main priority being the staffing costs of a group. Key posts within an organisation, as identified by the Community Resources Manager, can be supported with a percentage of salary costs.

Applicants should note that:-

Capital works will not be supported, i.e.

New applications for initiatives in areas currently benefiting from regeneration initiative funding will receive a lower priority.

Play initiatives will receive a lower priority because of the alternative funding sources e.g. Play Opportunities Pool.

There is no upper limit in relation to the amount applied for from the Community Pool, but applications for less than £5,000 will not be considered from the Community Pool but will be signposted to other funders.

MONITORING OF GRANT AID

All grant aid is managed through a funding agreement, which includes the terms and conditions, under which grant aid has been awarded.

The spend and the outputs/benefits relating to the grant will be monitored and if it is found that grant aid has not been spent appropriately or outputs/benefits not achieved then measures may be taken to reclaim the grant.

APPEALS PROCEDURE

Groups applying to the Community Pool will be given the opportunity to appeal against a decision made by the Grants Committee in respect of their application for funding. An appeal must be made in writing, as it will be presented to the Grants Committee for their consideration.

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APPLICANT GROUP & ROLE OF THE GROUP	GRANT AWARDED 2010/2011	REQUEST 2011/2012	2010/2011 GRANT MINUS 10%	EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT	ANNUAL AWARD 2011/2012 UP TO	REJECT/ DEFER	NOTES PROPOSED EXPENDITURE OF GRANT/REASON FOR DEFERRAL/REJECTION
CATEGORY 3: ESTABLISHED GROUPS WHO HAVE NOT BEEN PREVIOUSLY SUPPORTED							
RED DREAMS	£ -	£ 5,792.00	£ -	£ -	£ -	REJECT	Alternative provider is being
A resource for young people encouraging							recommended for funding. No
individuals or groups of young people within the arts							reliance on grant aid . Funding
including performing, visual, media and written							not available. See report for
arts as a means of advancing their lives,							more information.
developing their skills, capacities and capabilities.							
VICTIM SUPPORT	£ -	£ 28,325.00	£ -	£ -	£ -	REJECT	No reliance on grant aid. Funding
Provision of support to victims and witnesses through							not available . See report for
partnerships and referral to relevant help and							more information.
information.							
HARTLEPOOL HOSPICE	£ -	£ 25,338.00	£ -	£ -	£ -	REJECT	No reliance on grant aid. Funding
Works to provide the relief of sickness offering a range							not available. See report for more
of specialist palliative care and support to							information.
individuals and their families at their time of need							
CATEGORY 4: OTHER ORGANISATIONS/GROUPS							
WEST VIEW PROJECT	£ 20,862.00	£ 37,810.00	£ 18,776.00	£ -	£ 18,776.00		Contribution to salary costs
Provider of activities including sports and adventure							Development Manager &
training for the benefit of the community including							Administrator
children and young people							
THE ORB CENTRE	£ 5,000.00	£ 6,000.00	£ 4,500.00	£ -	£ 4,500.00		Contribution to salary costs of two
Provider of activities for young people from the Foggy							p/t Youth Workers (min award)
Furze, Stranton and Dyke House wards							
HEADLAND FUTURE	£ 12,600.00	£ 12,500.00	£ 11,340.00	£ -	£ 11,340.00		Contribution to the salary costs of
Facilitator and provider of a wide range of activities							an Operations Manager
for young people and the community as a whole							
HARTLEPOOL COMMUNITY STUDIO	£ 21,250.00	£ 22,850.00	£ 19,125.00	£ -	£ 19,125.00		Contribution to salary costs Venue
Provider of a venue for a wide range of activities							Manager, Venue Engineer/Trainer,
including music, performance, rehearsal, drama and							Administrator
comedy							

APPLICANT GROUP & ROLE OF THE GROUP	GRANT AWARDED 2010/2011	REQUEST 2011/2012	2010/2011 GRANT MINUS 10%	EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT	ANNUAL AWARD 2011/2012 UP TO	REJECT/ DEFER	NOTES PROPOSED EXPENDITURE OF GRANT/REASON FOR DEFERRAL/REJECTION
CATEGORY 4: OTHER ORGANISATIONS/GROUPS CONTINUED							
EPILEPSY OUTLOOK	£ 9,283.00	£ 13,261.00	£ 8,355.00	£ -	£ 8,355.00		Contribution to salary costs
Provider of support to sufferers of epilepsy and their families and carers							Manager
OWTON MANOR WEST NWATCH & RES ASN	£ -	£ 22,262.00	£ 12,554.00	£ -	£ 12,554.00		Contribution to salary costs Centre
Facilitator and provider of activities/services for the local community (NOT ELIGIBLE TO APPLY IN 2010/2011)							Manager & Administrator (40%)
HARTLEPOOL CATHOLIC BOXING CLUB	£ 5,000.00	£ 18,200.00	£ 4,500.00	£ -	£ 4,500.00		Contribution to rent (minimum award)
Provider of facility for training and competitive boxing for the benefit of young people							
BELLE VUE COMMUNITY SPORTS & YOUTH CTRE	£ 22,603.00	£ 25,000.00	£ 20,343.00	£ -	£ 20,343.00		Contribution to salary costs Finance
Provider of a wide range of services for the local community including sports facilities and community rooms to hire and accommodation for other voluntary organisations							Officer & Caretaker
HART GABLES	£ 11,556.00	£ 17,916.00	£ 10,400.00	£ 1,156.00	£ 11,556.00		Contribution to salary costs
Provider of support to the lesbian, bi-sexual, gay and trans-sexual community in Hartlepool.							Manager & Finance Worker
MAKING A DIFFERENCE	£ 8,587.00	£ 12,587.00	£ 7,728.00	£ -	£ 7,728.00		Contribution to salary costs Project
Provider of counselling services, practical support and information for young people who are experiencing emotional distress and/or have behavioural problems.							Co-ordinator and lease costs
VOLUNTARY WHEELS	£ 6,296.00	£ 10,000.00	£ 5,666.00	£ -	£ 5,666.00		Contribution to salary costs
Provider of affordable community transport scheme.							Co-ordinator Driver
HARTLEPOOL FAMILIES FIRST	£ 27,357.00	£ 27,221.00	£ 24,621.00	£ -	£ 24,621.00		Contribution to salary costs
Provider of a range of services including the Health Bus, the Play Bus, an after school and holiday play including the Street project formerly known as RESPECT.							Manager, Finance Officer & Senior Street Worker
ADVANCE	£ 8,608.00	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -	No bid received for 2011/2012
Provider of service for children & young people with Attention Deficit Hyperactivity disorder							

APPLICANT GROUP & ROLE OF THE GROUP	GRANT AWARDED 2010/2011	REQUEST 2011/2012	2010/2011 GRANT MINUS 10%	EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT	ANNUAL AWARD 2011/2012 UP TO	REJECT/ DEFER	NOTES PROPOSED EXPENDITURE OF GRANT/REASON FOR DEFERRAL/REJECTION
CATEGORY 4: OTHER ORGANISATIONS/GROUPS CONTINUED							
WYNYARD CAFÉ.COM	£ 5,000.00	£ 9,000.00	£ 4,500.00	£ -	£ 4,500.00		Contribution to salary costs Manager/ Cook (min award)
Community café serving healthy menu choices.							
HARTLEPOOL RADIO	£ 2,500.00	£ 20,000.00	£ -	£ -	£ -	DEFER	Group has not completed quality assurance assessment yet and Viewpoint survey findings not yet available.
Community radio station							
SUPPLEMENTARY AWARDS 2010/2011:							
VOLUNTARY WHEELS	£ 5,000.00						
TOTAL RECOMMENDATIONS 2010/2011	£ 490,828.00						
ROUND 1: 2011/2012							
TOTAL REQUESTS ROUND 1 2011/2012		£ 722,158.00					
RECOMMENDATIONS AS ABOVE:			£ 450,374.40	£ 6,712.00	£ 457,086.00		
FINANCIAL POSITION 2011/2012:							
			2010/11 AWARD MINUS 10%	EIA	OPTION 1		
BASE BUDGET 2011/2012			£ 444,658.00		£ 444,658.00		
plus carry forward (if approved)			£ 53,132.00		£ 53,132.00		
Total to commit 2011/12			£ 497,790.00		£ 497,790.00		
TOTAL COMMITMENTS ROUND 1:							
ALLOCATION FOR DIRECTED LETTINGS			£ 2,900.00	£ -	£ 2,900.00		
HARTLEPOOL SPORTS COUNCIL			£ 2,500.00	£ -	£ 2,500.00		
RECOMMENDATIONS ROUND 1			£ 450,374.40	£ 6,712.00	£ 457,086.00		
TOTAL RECOMMENDATIONS ROUND 1			£ 455,774.40	£ 6,712.00	£ 462,486.00		
BALANCE LEFT TO COMMIT ROUND 2					£ 35,304.00		

COMMUNITY POOL 2011/2012	OPTION 2	
APPLICANT GROUP & ROLE OF THE GROUP	SIX MONTHS FUNDING REJECT/DEFER	NOTES PROPOSED EXPENDITURE OF GRANT
CATEGORY 1: PROVIDERS OF SERVICES THAT ARE OF STRATEGIC IMPORTANCE		
WEST VIEW ADVICE & RESOURCE CENTRE	£ 13,103.00	Contribution to salary costs Centre Manager,
Provider of welfare benefits advice, information		& Advice Manager
and support to the local community		
HARTLEPOOL CITIZENS ADVICE BUREAU	£ 36,130.00	Contribution to salary costs Bureau Manager,
Provider of advice and information debt advice,		Deputy Manager, Telephone Advice Worker,
employment law, welfare benefits, community care		Admin/Finance Officer
HARBOUR SUPPORT SERVICES: SEARCH	£ 7,880.00	Contribution to salary costs of 1 p/t
Provider of counselling and support services to male		Counsellor & Administrator
and female survivors of rape and sexual abuse		
HARTLEPOOL ACCESS GROUP:	£ 11,974.50	Contribution to salary costs Manager, 2 p/t
SHOPMOBILITY		Equipment Workers & Book Keeper & running costs
Provider of mobility equipment to enable disabled people		
to travel around the town independently		
HARTLEPOOL CREDIT UNION FORUM	£ 16,793.00	Contribution to salary costs Membership Supervisor,
Provider of credit union facility to tackle financial		Membership Officer, Collector & contribution to
exclusion		rent & running costs
HARTLEPOOL CARERS	£ 14,249.00	Contribution to salary costs Manager
Provision of support of local carers to improve the		& Administrator
quality of life for all people who are looking after		
somebody through the provision of advice, information		
and development of services.		
(10/11 FUNDING WAS FOR 5 MONTHS ONLY)		

APPLICANT GROUP & ROLE OF THE GROUP	SIX MONTHS FUNDING REJECT/DEFER	NOTES PROPOSED EXPENDITURE OF GRANT
CATEGORY 2: COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT/CAPACITY BUILDING INITIATIVES		
OWTON FENS COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION	£ 10,316.50	Contribution to salary costs Project Manager & Finance Manager
Provider of support, advice and information to other voluntary and community groups		
HARTLEPOOL VOLUNTARY DEVELOPMENT AGENCY	£ 12,778.00	Contribution to salary costs Manager & Finance Officer
Provider of support, advice and information to other voluntary and community groups.		
HARTLEPOOL PEOPLE CENTRE	£ 12,153.50	Contribution to salary costs Manager & Administrator
Facilitator and provider of a range of services and activities, courses and training for residents of all ages.		
THE WHARTON TRUST	£ 8,458.50	Contribution to salary costs Manager & Admin/Finance Officer
Facilitator and provider of a range of activities, courses training and a community library.		
HEADLAND DEVELOPMENT TRUST	£ -	No bid received for 2011/2012
Provider of advice, information and support to residents and other voluntary/community groups		
MANOR RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION	£ -	No bid received for 2011/2012
Facilitator and provider of a wide range of services and activities , courses and training for residents of all ages		
THE SALAAM CENTRE	£ 7,925.00	Contribution to salary costs of Advice Worker & Caretaker
Provider and facilitator of services and a resource centre for ethnic minority communities in Hartlepool.		

APPLICANT GROUP & ROLE OF THE GROUP	SIX MONTHS FUNDING	NOTES
	REJECT/DEFER	PROPOSED EXPENDITURE OF GRANT
CATEGORY 3: ESTABLISHED GROUPS WHO HAVE NOT BEEN PREVIOUSLY SUPPORTED		
RED DREAMS	REJECT	NOT APPLICABLE
A resource for young people encouraging		
individuals or groups of young people within the arts		
including performing, visual, media and written		
arts as a means of advancing their lives,		
developing their skills, capacities and capabilities.		
VICTIM SUPPORT	REJECT	NOT APPLICABLE
Provision of support to victims and witnesses through		
partnerships and referral to relevant help and		
information.		
HARTLEPOOL HOSPICE	REJECT	NOT APPLICABLE
Works to provide the relief of sickness offering a range		
of specialist palliative care and support to		
individuals and their families at their time of need		
CATEGORY 4:OTHER ORGANISATIONS/GROUPS		
WEST VIEW PROJECT	£ 9,388.00	Contribution to salary costs Development Manager
Provider of activities including sports and adventure		& Administrator
training for the benefit of the community including		
children and young people		
THE ORB CENTRE	£ 2,250.00	Contribution to salary costs of two
Provider of activities for young people from the Foggy		p/t Youth Workers (min award)
Furze, Stranton and Dyke House wards		

APPLICANT GROUP & ROLE OF THE GROUP	SIX MONTHS FUNDING REJECT/DEFER	NOTES PROPOSED EXPENDITURE OF GRANT
CATEGORY 4:OTHER ORGANISATIONS/GROUPS CONTINUED		
HEADLAND FUTURE	£ 5,670.00	Contribution to the salary costs of an
Facilitator and provider of a wide range of activities		Operations Manager
for young people and the community as a whole		
HARTLEPOOL COMMUNITY STUDIO	£ 9,562.50	Contribution to salary costs Venue Manager,
Provider of a venue for a wide range of activities		Venue Engineer/Trainer & Administrator
including music, performance, rehearsal, drama and		
comedy		
EPILEPSY OUTLOOK	£ 4,177.50	Contribution to salary costs Manager
Provider of support to suffers of epilepsy and their		
families and carers		
OWTON MANOR WEST NWATCH & RES ASN	£ 6,277.00	Contribution to salary costs Centre Manager
Facilitator and provider of activities/services for the		& Administrator
local community (NOT ELIGIBLE TO APPLY IN 2010/2011)		
HARTLEPOOL CATHOLIC BOXING CLUB	£ 2,250.00	Contribution to rent (minimum award)
Provider of facility for training and competitive		
boxing for the benefit of young people		
BELLE VUE COMMUNITY SPORTS & YOUTH CTRE	£ 10,171.50	Contribution to salary costs Finance Officer
Provider of a wide range of services for the local		& Caretaker
community including sports facilities and community		
rooms to hire and accomodation for other voluntary		
organisations		
HART GABLES	£ 5,778.00	Contribution to salary costs Manager &
Provider of support to the lesbian, bi-sexual, gay		Finance Worker
and trans-sexual community in Hartlepool.		

<u>ROUND 1: 2011/2012</u>	OPTION 2	
BASE BUDGET	£ 444,658.00	
plus carry forward (if approved)	£ 53,132.00	
Total to commit 2011/12	£ 497,790.00	
TOTAL COMMITMENTS ROUND 1:		
ALLOCATION FOR DIRECTED LETTINGS	£ 2,900.00	
HARTLEPOOL SPORTS COUNCIL	£ 2,500.00	
RECOMMENDATIONS ROUND 1 OPTION 2	£ 228,543.00	
TOTAL RECOMMENDATIONS ROUND 1	£ 233,943.00	
BALANCE LEFT TO COMMIT	£ 263,847.00	



Equality Impact Assessment (Predicted Assessments)

Lead Officer: John Mennear	Published Date : 00.00.2011
Who has undertaken the assessment: Community & Youth Resource Manager	
Date forwarded to Departmental Diversity Rep: 00.02.2011	

Is the subject to be assessed a: (Please tick) <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;"> Strategy <input type="checkbox"/> Policy <input type="checkbox"/> Service <input type="checkbox"/> </div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;"> System <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Project <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ </div>
Name of the assessed and brief description: Community Pool – The Council's financial support to the voluntary sector.

What is being assessed is (please tick) <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;"> Existing <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> New <input type="checkbox"/> </div>
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Is a copy of the new policy/strategy attached (please tick) The criteria of the Community Pool can be found as Appendix 1 to the report. <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;"> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> </div> If No, where can it be viewed?
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Links into Community Strategy and Council Themes (please tick box(es))	
Jobs and the Economy <input type="checkbox"/> Lifelong Learning and Skills <input type="checkbox"/> Health and Care <input type="checkbox"/> Community Safety <input type="checkbox"/> Organisational Development <input type="checkbox"/>	Environment <input type="checkbox"/> Housing <input type="checkbox"/> Culture and Leisure <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Strengthening Communities <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Stage 1 - Overview

1. Please give a brief description of the aims, objectives or purpose. <i>(Note: Wherever possible please quote from the document)</i>						
<p>The major reductions made by the government in both mainstream funding and other grants made cuts in local authority spending inevitable. The Council is obliged to focus on its statutory and policy priorities, and to spread the impact by expecting those organisations which we fund to take a share of the cuts too. This includes those funded from the Community Pool.</p> <p>Clearly a 10% cut in the size of the Community Pool would impact on the community generally. An Equality Impact Assessment aims to identify any negative impact in relation to those groups protected under equality legislation as well as ensuring good race relations are promoted.</p>						
2. Who is responsible for implementation?						
Community and Youth Resource Manager.						
3. Who are the main stakeholders? (please tick)						
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Elected Members <input type="checkbox"/>						

Stage 2 – Research and Findings

4. What evidence do we presently have and what does it tell us? <i>(Include any numerical data, public consultation or involvement, anecdotal evidence and other organisations' experiences, outcome of any previous service related INRA, entry into the Risk register)</i>
<p>The Community Pool criteria, which is attached as Appendix 1, was reviewed in 2004. This included verbal and written consultation with the stakeholders on a one to one basis and in a group setting. All previous applicants to the Community Pool participated including groups dealing with issues relating to race, disability and gender on a day-to-day basis. Other community/voluntary groups who wished to contribute were encouraged to take part. The outcome of the review was an updated criteria for assessing applications which is in line with the aims and objectives of the Community Strategy. The new criteria was adopted in the 2005/2006 financial year. The grants scheme has continued to operate since that time with inflationary increases added to the budget each year. Grant awards</p>

have been fairly stable with only minor reductions in individual awards having been made as a result of the number of applications to the Community Pool increasing.

During 2005 an independent study took place regarding the value of Community Pool funding to the voluntary sector. The study found that the groups in receipt of the funding said it was important and helps them to deliver a wide range of services. One third of the groups supported by the Community Pool said the support was crucial and that they would not exist without it. None of the organisations would be able to maintain the services they provided without Community Pool funding. All of the groups surveyed indicated that Community Pool funding is important in helping to secure other funds.

During 2006 an audit of the voluntary sector was done regarding the withdrawal of European Funding. Seventy seven groups were identified as having either a paid member of staff or a building. Fifty five groups responded to the survey including all of the groups funded from the Community Pool in that year. The information was collated and a report was presented to Scrutiny Committee which detailed information regarding the respondents staffing, accommodation arrangements, legal status, volunteers, governance, activities carried out, service beneficiaries, income and expenditure and funding. Obviously, the information presented for consideration by Scrutiny was comprehensive and gave them a flavour of the activity, organisation and management of the groups. However, those groups who were in receipt of Community Pool funding alluded to the fact that they feel in a stronger position to lever in other funding as many funders look to the Local Authority to support an organisation before they themselves commit any funding.

In the 2010/2011 financial year the Community Pool has supported 34 organisations that provide services for all parts of the community. The value of the grant aid committed so far is £496,582.

For the 2011/2012 financial year the Community Pool budget has been set at £444,658 which is a reduction of £50,000 on the previous year's budget. We have received 28 applications which will be presented to Grants Committee on 1st March 2011. It is because of the reduction in the budget that this Equality Impact Assessment has been carried out.

5. Identify the gaps in the evidence that we presently have?

We do not have quantified evidence of people/groups potentially impacted by the reduction in Community Pool funding however, evidence we do have suggests that any reduction in funding could have a severe detrimental impact on applicant groups.

6. Record what needs to be done to gather further evidence to undertake the impact assessment?

A review of the Community Pool is currently being carried out. The findings of the review will go to the Grants Committee in late summer.

Please note: You will need to have viewed your data or insufficient data before answering the following questions. If no data is available, you will need to make a record of this within your answers below and indicate how this data will be gathered in the future. *(Please refer to glossary for the terms- unmet needs, differential impact, positive impact, negative impact and adverse impact provided in the guidance)*

7. Are there any unmet needs/requirements that can be identified from your research that impact specific equality groups? Which equality groups does it impact?

Current evidence is that the expressed needs/requirements of equality groups are that their funding for the 2011/2012 year from the Community Pool year remains stable. This could be managed by maintaining the level of award for the 2011/2012 financial year at the same level as the 2010/2011 year. Any reduction in funding would affect the equality groups disproportionately because they are the only groups delivering services to specific groups of people. The groups that have been identified as being affected would be: Harbour Support Services for the SEARCH project, Hartlepool Access Group for the Shopmobility project, The Salaam Centre and Hart Gables.

8. Are there any concerns that there could be a differential/positive/negative/adverse impact on the grounds of gender? Gender refers to male, female and transgender. Please explain your answer.

Any reduction in funding could have an adverse impact on Hart Gables because the group is the only group providing services specifically for the gay, lesbian and transgender communities in Hartlepool.

Any reduction in funding could have an adverse impact on Harbour Support Services, the SEARCH project because it is the only group delivering a counselling service for the victims of rape and sexual abuse.

9. Are there any concerns that there could be a differential/positive/negative/adverse impact on the grounds of racial or ethnic origin? Please explain your answer.

Yes, any reduction in funding could have an adverse impact on The Salaam Centre because the group is the only group providing services specifically for the ethnic minority communities in Hartlepool.

10. Are there any concerns that there could be a differential/positive/negative/adverse impact on the grounds of religion or belief? Please explain your answer.

No. The changes proposed in the attached report will have no differential impact on grounds of religion of belief.	
11. Are there any concerns that there could be a differential/positive/negative/ adverse impact on the grounds of disability? Please explain your answer.	
Yes, any reduction in funding could have an adverse impact on Hartlepool Access Group's Shopmobility because the group is the only group providing services specifically for the disabled community in Hartlepool.	
12. Are there any concerns that there could be a differential/positive/negative/ adverse impact on the grounds of age? Please explain your answer.	
No. The changes proposed in the attached report will have no differential impact on grounds of age.	
13. Are there any concerns that there could be a differential/positive/negative/ adverse impact on the grounds of sexual orientation? Please explain your answer.	
Yes, any reduction in funding could have an adverse impact on Hart Gables because the group is the only group providing services specifically for the gay, lesbian and transgender communities in Hartlepool.	
14. Summary of adverse impacts (please tick)	
Gender <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Disability <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Race/Ethnic Origin <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Age <input type="checkbox"/>
Religion/Belief <input type="checkbox"/>	Sexual Orientation <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Stage 3 – Consultation

15. Who have you consulted with?
<p>Previous consultations have been carried out with the voluntary and community sector groups who have been supported with funding from the Community Pool in relation to the review of the Community Pool criteria, the value of the Community Pool and the loss of European Funding and Audit of the Voluntary Sector in Hartlepool.</p> <p>Scrutiny Committee has been consulted with regarding the Audit of the Voluntary Sector and the Loss of European Funding.</p>

Also, when the Community Pool application pack for 2011/2012 was circulated to the voluntary/community groups a letter was included warning the groups of the proposed budget cuts and that the Community Pool budget was likely to be reduced which would obviously have a detrimental affect on the level of any awards made. The groups were encouraged not to depend on Community Pool funding and to devise an exit strategy which they could put into place should funding not be available from the Community Pool for the new financial year.

16. Summary of findings/recommendations from the consultation

All consultation has produced some valuable feedback on the Community Pool and how it supports groups. The consultation highlighted that many groups are dependant on funding from the Community Pool, the funding is matched with other funding streams to make a complete package, there is not much funding available for core costs apart from the Community Pool, the current system for allocating awards is clear and transparent.

Stage 4 – Adverse Impacts

17. Please give details of what the predicted adverse impact is expected and which groups or individuals it affects.

The funding awarded to all groups could be reduced which could have a knock on effect on the groups and the people who benefit from their services. If the group is unable to match any council funding awarded then they probably would have to make redundancies and as the Community Pool supports key member's of staff then the group may have to close or provide services with volunteers thereby curtailing service provision altogether or reducing service provision. If service provision is reduced or stopped altogether this would directly affect service users. E.g. if The Salaam Centre were to close other groups would not be in a position to provide the services The Salaam Centre provides because of the language barriers and the lack of cultural knowledge.

Groups that are funded from the Community Pool carry out work that assists the Council to achieve the aims and objectives of the Community Strategy. If the funding awarded to these groups was cut substantially the work may not get done which would affect the council its outcomes.

18. Record what immediate actions are taken prior to implementation to address the adverse impact?

The recommendations for the 2011/2012 awards are being maintained at the same level as the 2010/2011 approvals for the groups that are listed in question 7. The Grants Committee meets on 1st March 2011 to consider these recommendations.

19. Can the adverse impact be justified for any reason? Please explain.

(Legislation, promoting equality of opportunity for one group (positive action) etc.)

Any adverse impact on groups due to the reduction in funding could be justified because the Council is making significant savings on all budgets. The major reductions made by the government in both mainstream funding and other grants made cuts in local authority spending inevitable. The Council is obliged to focus on its statutory and policy priorities, and to spread the impact by expecting those organisations which we fund to take a share of the cuts too. This includes those funded from the Community Pool. This being the case the Community Pool has been reduced by £50,000 but the reduction is not as much as it could have been. However, our aim is to avoid any adverse impact by carrying out this Equality Impact Assessment.

Stage 5 – Action Planning and Publishing

20. What actions are needed to be taken after the implementation

Action	Responsible officer	Completion Date
A report to go to Grants Committee recommending the approval of awards at the same level as 2010/2011 for the groups listed in this assessment.	John Mennear Assistant Director, Community Services	01.03.11

21. What are the main conclusions from the assessment?

Any reduction in grant aid from the Community Pool to the groups mentioned in the assessment could have a detrimental impact on the group. Measures are being suggested within the assessment to minimise the risk of a reduction in funding however, this does not guarantee that groups will not be affected by other reductions in funding and may therefore have to take drastic action which could involve a reduction in services or the cessation of services which would affect many communities in Hartlepool.

22. How is the impact assessment published/publicised?	
The report to the Grants Committee regarding the Community Pool 2011/2012 and the attached appendices, including the impact assessment, will be published on the Hartlepool Borough Council website and will be available for all to see.	
23. How is the impact further assessed after its implementation?	
The impact will be further assessed as part of the review of the Community Pool and when outcomes are measured as part of the monitoring of individual awards.	
Signed: John Mennear _____	Date: 15/02/2011 _____
Assistant Director, Community Services	

GRANTS COMMITTEE

1st March 2011



Report of: Director of Child and Adult Services

Subject: HARTLEPOOL SPORTS COUNCIL AWARDS ALLOCATION.

SUMMARY

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

The purpose of the report is to update Grants Committee Members on the Hartlepool Sports Council awards allocated to date.

2. SUMMARY OF CONTENTS

Hartlepool Sports Council was awarded a grant of £2,500 in September 2010 from Community Pool funding. The grant was approved on the condition that the Sports Council grant criteria was improved to ensure the robustness of decisions made. Hartlepool Sports Council have completed their first round of funding applications and received 42 applications in comparison to last year's applications where only 7 were submitted.

Of the 23 successful applicants, 3 of these applicants were from athletes who compete at an international standard, 4 from a national level and 16 regional.

The process has enabled Sport and Recreation staff to use some of these athletes for programmes in relation to Hartlepool's Olympic Legacy.

3. RELEVANCE TO PORTFOLIO MEMBER

Culture Leisure and Tourism Portfolio includes Sport and Recreation.

4. TYPE OF DECISION

Non-Key.

5. DECISION MAKING ROUTE

For information only.

6. RECOMMENDATIONS

Members are requested to note the report

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ALLOCATION

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

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2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 Hartlepool Sports Council is a forum for all sports within Hartlepool. The Sports Council is made up of local Council Members, club representatives, officers from the Department's Sport & Recreation service and other co-opted persons, all of whom are committed to raising the profile of sport within the town.
- 2.2 The Sports Council provides grants to sports participants to assist with training, coaching fees and specialist equipment and hosts an annual sports awards event for local talent.
- 2.3 Funding for the grant process is secured from external sources, in most recent years Wynyard Park Ltd. This funding has continued into the current financial year 2010/11 for a total of £2000. However, the ability of Hartlepool Sports Council to secure funding to support the grants has often been difficult.
- 2.4 As a consequence, it had been agreed that work be carried out to maintain this valuable resource provided by Hartlepool Sports Council as the sustainability of the group was at risk. Officers from the Sport & Recreation Service had been working with the Sports Council's committee for a number of years to provide advice, but an injection of financial support specifically for individual sports grants were needed.
- 2.5 Officers met with the committee of Hartlepool Sports Council in August 2010 and discussed their difficulties regarding sports grants funding. It was agreed that a revised criteria be made alongside an application to community pool funding.
- 2.6 Community Pool funding of £2,500 was awarded in September 2010.

3 CURRENT POSITION

- 3.1 The award process is administered by the Hartlepool Sports Council with time allocated from Sport and Recreation officers to administer and publicise grants. Sport and Recreation have worked with the committee and agreed details of new grant criteria which have now been implemented.
- 3.2 New criteria ensures that applicants applying for sports grants are at least county standard or above and reside in, or represent a club, within the Hartlepool Borough Council area. Items which are now eligible for funding have also been increased to include competition fees and equipment. Applicants are expected to provide details of their competition history from the last twelve months as well as declare any previous grant aid received. New levels of funding have been introduced which means that depending upon the standard of the applicant, the greater the amount they are eligible to apply for. A maximum of £150 for county level applicants, £300 national and £500 for international athletes is available, subject to the reserves being available to disburse.
- 3.3 In 2010, before Community Pool funding was allocated, only seven applications for an award grant were received. A significant amount of time was therefore given to raising awareness of the grants availability. This included:
- Three Hartlepool Mail press releases
 - Advertisement on the Hartlepool Council website
 - Emails and letters to all clubs on the Sport and Recreation database and heads of PE in all secondary and primary schools.
 - Email to all key partners within Sport and Recreation
 - An opportunity for applicants to speak to an officer from Sport and Recreation via email or telephone regarding information on the grants. (All correspondence to the Hartlepool Sports Council is usually by post)
- 3.4 Forty two applications were received as a result of the increased profile and publicity. Short listing of the 42 applications was carried out by the Hartlepool Sports Council enabling a shortlist reduction to 23 using the new criteria.
- 3.5 All members of the following Hartlepool Sports Council committee meeting agreed to the 23 applications for approval. Three of these applications are international level; 4 are national and 16 county level. To ensure all eligible applicants could receive funding awards categories were reduced slightly to £475 international, £275 national and £100 for county level. Information regarding the outcome of the applications is documented in **Appendix 1**. The criteria have been applied consistently and ensure each level of applicant receives the same amount for their category.
- 3.6 As an outcome of Sport and Recreation's input into the process, a few of the athletes who applied for grants through the Hartlepool Sports Council have been asked to be involved in the Olympic Legacy programme.

- 3.7 In 2012, during the Olympic Games, a formal photography exhibition will be displayed within the Hartlepool Art Gallery. This will include memorabilia from past athletes as well as old school photographs. The professional exhibition will involve images of local female talented athletes taking part in their sport or coaching local players. Athletes highlighted from the Hartlepool Sports Council include Amanda Coulson (Boxing), Emma Cassell (Swimming) and Amy Coulson (Karate).
- 3.8 Further support has been given from Sport and Recreation officers for the grant recipients, who have contacted clubs / national governing body of sport to support the applicants and a follow up evaluation will be carried out in six months time to measure the impact that the award has made.
- 3.9 An award evening is scheduled for the 7th March at Brinkburn 6th Form College for successful applicants to receive their awards.

4 CONCLUSION

Funding secured through Community Pool and Wynyard Park Ltd has enabled a greater number of individuals to receive awards than in previous years. This has in turn given both the Hartlepool Sports Council and sport as a whole, a higher profile within the town. The amount and level of applications received within a small period of time, demonstrates the need for this grant process to enable athletes to reach their highest standard.

5 RECOMMENDATIONS

Members are requested to note the report.

CONTACT OFFICER: John Mennear, Assistant Director (Community Services)

Sports Council Applications January 2011

	Name	Age	Sport	Club	Level	Live/ Train/ Club in Hartlepool	Previously awarded?	Award Y/N
International Standard Applications								
1	Amy Coulson	27yrs	Karate	Hartlepool Wadokai	International	All three	£250 from AWAKAI	£475
2	Amanda Coulson	28yrs	Boxing	Hartlepool Catholic Boxing Club	International (part of team GB)	All three	Yes- amount not specified	£475
3	Gary Wilson	32yrs	Triathlon	Hartlepool Triathletes	International	All three	Yes- £150 YOS £100 Belle Vue	£475
National Standard Applications								
4	Bethan Kelly	13yrs	Canoe Slalom	Tees Tigers	National	Lives in Hartlepool	£100 HUFC	£275
5	Emma Cassell	13yrs	Swimming and Running	Middlesbrough Swim Club and Manor College	National	Lives in Hartlepool	Yes £500 Tees Valley Community Foundation	£275
6	Joseph Laybourn	16yrs	Swimming	Hartlepool Swim Club	National	All three	£400 Tees Valley Sports	£275
7	Harry Harris	18yrs	Athletics	Middlesbrough Athletics Club	National	Lives in Hartlepool	No	£275

Regional Standard Applications								
8	Vanessa Jacques	16yrs	Athletics	Gateshead Harriers	Regional	Lives in Hartlepool	No	£100
9	Heather Richardson	16yrs	Swimming	Middlesbrough Sw im Club	Regional	Lives in Hartlepool	No	£100
10	Liam Wilson	7yrs	Trampolining	Hartlepool Trampoline Club	Regional	Yes all three	No	£100
11	Callan Torka	14yrs	Swimming	Hartlepool Sw imming Club	Regional	Yes all three	No	£100
12	Callum Brass	11yrs	Swimming	Hartlepool Sw im Club	Regional	Yes all three	No	£100
13	Beth Turner	11yrs	Swimming	Hartlepool Sw im Club	Regional	Yes all three	No	£100
14	Hannah Picknett	14yrs	Rugby	Darlington Mow den Park	Regional	Lives in Hartlepool	No	£100
15	Samantha Wright	17yrs	Ice Skating	Billingham Ice Skating Club and Whitley Bay Ice Skating Club	Regional	Lives in Hartlepool	No	£100
16	Jamie Austw ick e	15yrs	Golf	Hartlepool and Seaton Carew Golf Club	Regional	Yes all three	No	£100
17	Gabrielle Hudson	12yrs	Cricket	Seaton Carew	Regional	Yes all three	No	£100
18	Matthew Henry	17yrs	Badminton	Brierton Badminton Club	Regional	Yes all three	No	£100
19	Kirsty Setchell	?	Football	Sunderland Academy	Regional	Lives in Hartlepool		£100
20	Matthew Campbell	14yrs	Ice Hockey	Whitley Bay	Regional	Lives in Hartlepool		£100

21	Danielle Smith	16yrs	Netball	Oaksw ay	Regional	Yes all three		£100
22	Christopher Atkins	18yrs	Rugby	Hartlepool Rovers	Regional	Yes all three		£100
23	Liam Austwicke	17yrs	Rugby	Hartlepool Rovers	Regional	Yes all three		£100

3 x international athletes Total £1425
 4 x national athletes Total £1100
 16 x regional athletes Total £1600
 Total £4125