

**TEESDALE DISTRICT COUNCIL**

**Report To: GRANTS SUB-COMMITTEE  
3 November 2008**

**From:** Lead Member for Resources: Councillor GK Robinson

**Ward Member:** All

**Subject: GRANT APPLICATIONS 2008/09**

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**1.0 SUMMARY**

1.1 This report provides details of grant applications received for the current financial year. Members are requested to consider each application in relation to the suggested criteria.

**2.0 RECOMMENDATION(S)**

**2.1 It is recommended that**

**2.1.1 The applications for grants contained in Appendix C are considered.**

**3.0 LINK TO CORPORATE KEY PRIORITIES/AMBITIONS**

3.1 Priority: All priorities

3.2 Ambition: Potentially any ambitions

3.3 Outcome: Community groups, not for profit organisations and individuals receive financial assistance in contributing towards the Council's priorities

**4.0 BACKGROUND**

4.1 Grants, contributions and donations are reviewed annually as a part of the budget setting process. It was determined during the budget setting process for 2007/08 that this review should be undertaken by a Grants Sub-Committee, which was then established.

4.2 A total budget of £8,000 was allocated in respect of arts grants for each of the financial years 2007/08 and 2008/09. In 2007/08, £6,537 of applications were supported by the Grants Sub-Committee and approved by Council, leaving a balance of £1,463.10 that has been carried forward to the general grants contingency. Of the £8,000 budget available for 2008/09, £900 has been allocated (see Appendix B) leaving £7,100 available.

- 4.3 General grants of £158,400 were approved through the budget process for 2008/09. A contingency of £1,294 was also approved which has been increased by the balance carried forward from arts grants of £1,463.10. The total amount available to date therefore for general grants in 2008/09 was £159,863.10. Of this, £159,521.68 has already been allocated (see Appendix A), leaving a balance of £341.42.
- 4.4 The Executive Committee approved a further budget of £5,000 for general grants at its meeting on 6 October 2008. This increased the amount available for allocation to £5,341.42.

## **5.0 APPLICATIONS**

- 5.1 Five new applications have been received in respect of 2008/09 and are attached at Appendix C. The total value of these applications is £8,855 (£7,755 general grants and £1,100 arts).
- 5.2 Members are requested to consider each of the applications in relation to the following criteria:
- Links to the corporate priorities – are there any, does the project partially meet a priority, does it clearly deliver one
  - Evidence of need – is there any, how strong is it
  - Other funding – what percentage of the project costs are requested, have other organisations been approached
  - Sustainability – will funding be required in future years, will it reduce, will self financing be achieved
  - Value for money – what evidence is there that value for money is being achieved, how strong is this evidence
  - Quality of life impact – will the project improve the quality of life for a single ward or group or more than one, how many
  - Risk – what is the impact on the project if the grant requested is not approved or is reduced
  - Equality and diversity – is the project/activity available to all irrespective of race, sex, marital status, disability, religion, age, sexual orientation or political belief.

The scoring methodology developed during the budget process is attached at Appendix D.

## **6.0 STATUTORY CONSIDERATIONS**

### **6.1 Financial Implications:**

The budget detailed in paragraph 4 has been approved and any grants supported within the balance available will not therefore have financial implications.

### **6.2 Risk:**

<b>Risk</b>	<b>Category</b>	<b>Implications</b>
Grants are allocated to projects that are not consistent with the Councils priorities	Reputational, Financial	Priorities may not be achieved, value for money is not achieved, projects that are consistent with priorities may not proceed due to lack of funding

6.3 Equality and Diversity: Considered as part of the approval criteria.

6.4 Human Resources: None

6.5 Community Safety: None

6.6 Legal Issues: None

**Background papers:**

1. None

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## GRANTS APPROVED 2008/09 (GENERAL)

## APPENDIX A

<b>Organisation</b>	<b>Purpose</b>	<b>Amount Allocated</b> <b>£</b>
CAB	Core funding for bureau	25,000.00
Groundwork West Durham	Targeted youth work in rural areas across Teesdale	5,000.00
Day Clubs	Rent of 10 venues in Teesdale	9,705.00
2D CVS & volunteer bureau	Support existing level of service	6,000.00
TCV Rotters	Food waste	15,000.00
TCV Rotters	Green waste	38,000.00
Rape & Sexual Abuse Counselling Centre	Support for 2 part time staff and volunteers for counselling	4,000.00
DCC Safeguarding Adults	Establishment of a safeguarding adults unit	877.00
Durham Sport	Raising the profile of sport and development of a strategic approach to sports development	3,000.00
Groundwork West Durham	Gaunless Valley TIC caretaking support	1,500.00
Durham Area Tourism Partnership	Coordination and leadership of tourism	10,000.00
Enterprise Agency	Business support services	6,000.00
Etherley Parish Council	Litter picking	533.00
Gainford & Langton Parish Council	Litter picking	230.00
Cockfield Parish Council	Litter picking	260.00
Middleton in Teesdale Parish Council	Litter picking	101.00
Disability Access Forum	Rental of premises for wheelchair and mobility loan service	3,900.00
Middleton Plus	Core funding for administrator	2,600.00
Hamsterley Trailblazers	All weather riding route in Hamsterley forest	3,000.00
Radio Teesdale	Building network and ongoing support	15,000.00
Teesdale Village Halls Consortium	Grant scheme to provide aid to village halls	1,000.00
Teesdale Net	Development of a website for the community to access information and services	6,400.00
Community Energy Solutions North East (CES)	Funding to transfer Middleton residents to biomass sites	250.00
Teesdale & Weardale Search & Rescue Team	Funding gap following the withdrawal of discretionary rate	295.68

	relief	
North Pennines LEADER+	Partner contribution to LEADER+ programme	1,350.00
Lynesack & Softley Parish Council	Litter picking around the recreation area, common and highways	520.00
<b>Total</b>		<b>159,521.68</b>

**GRANTS APPROVED 2008/09 (ARTS)****APPENDIX B**

<b>Organisation</b>	<b>Purpose</b>	<b>Amount Allocated £</b>
The Bowes Museum	Lantern parade	500.00
Teesdale Pottery Group	Christmas exhibition and workshops	400.00
<b>Total</b>		<b>900.00</b>

## AGENDA ITEM NO: 4

### GRANTS APPLICATIONS 2008/09

### APPENDIX C

#### General

Organisation	Purpose	Impact if refused	Funding	Amount requested
Teesdale Credit Union	Marketing and promotion to inform residents of the benefits of the credit union	Financially vulnerable will only have access to legitimate doorstep lenders and illegal 'loan sharks'	Savings on deposit and loan interest – any donations and grants used for capital purposes	7,455.00
Barnard Castle Methodist Church	Offset costs of running music and flower festival 23-25 August	Roofing funds would be diverted onto project, delaying roof repairs	BCTC £250, other sponsors provide goods/materials, ticket sales	300.00
<b>Total</b>				<b>7,755.00</b>

#### Arts

Organisation	Purpose	Impact if refused	Funding	Amount requested
Play@Cotherstone	Workshops to create large puppets and costumes for mini festival in Cotherstone on 1 November	Workshops will not take place	None	250.00
Changeling	A ballad of the Gaunless Valley – a 10 day project to encourage people to sing	Significant part of project will not go ahead	Youth Music £3,500, Positive Futures £500	450.00
UTASS	Young peoples arts awards scheme run at the UTASS drop in centre	Difficult to run awards without the facilities that this grant would be used for	Possible future funding applications to Northern Arts and Trinity Guildhall	400.00
<b>Total</b>				<b>1,100.00</b>