

To: HOUSING AND SOCIAL WORK SERVICES COMMITTEE		Subject: SECTION 10 GRANTS	
From: HEAD OF SOCIAL WORK DEVELOPMENT			
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1. Purpose of Report/Introduction

The purpose of this report is to inform Committee of the applications received from voluntary organisations requesting Section 10 funding under the Social Work (Scotland) Act 1968, and to seek approval for payments, where appropriate, to the organisations concerned as detailed in the attached appendices.

2. Background

- 2.1. The Council is empowered under the Social Work (Scotland) Act 1968 to make grants or payments to voluntary organisations whose sole or primary purpose is to promote social welfare.
- 2.2. The Departmental budget for Section 10 grants for the period 2008/2009 is £475,160, which included a 5% inflationary uplift provided to all grant funded bodies by the Council.
- 2.3. The criteria applied to applications have been previously endorsed by Committee and are detailed below:-
 - **Performance/Quality, Value for Money:** consideration of quality services which represent good value for the Section 10 monies provided to the organisations concerned.
 - **Direct Services:** recognising the need to support voluntary organisations who provide direct services to individuals and care groups which would otherwise require the Social Work Department to provide substitute services.
 - **Provision of Local Services:** continued support to local organisations who provide worthwhile local services which benefit individuals and local communities.
 - **Continuity:** providing ongoing support to organisations which are currently funded through Section 10.
 - **Scope for Growth:** recognising the opportunities for creating new and meaningful provisions for the citizens of North Lanarkshire in the field of social welfare.
 - **Overall Funds:** taking account of the total money which is available to the Social Work Department for Section 10 funding.

- 2.4. In October 2008 the Service issued over 60 Section 10 applications to a range of organisations. To date 42 groups have submitted applications, including 7 organisations that have come to the end of their 3 year funding agreement and require to re-apply. Of the submitted applications all but one are previous grant holders. The recommendations associated with these assessments and any comments are contained in Appendix 1, 2 and 3 of this report.

3. Proposals/Considerations

- 3.1. As previously agreed by Committee, organisations in receipt of £10,000 and above are eligible for a three year funding agreement. Appendix 1A lists grant holders currently in receipt of 3 year funding agreements which terminate on the 31st of March 2009 and which require consideration for further funding. Appendix 1B identifies organisations recommended for an extended funding agreement for the first time. Appendix 1C lists organisations with agreements extending beyond 2009/10 where no decision is required.
- 3.2. Organisations recommended for annual grant funding are listed in Appendix 2.
- 3.3. Organisations applying for an annual grant where the recommendation is to refuse the application or continue for further information or discussion are listed in Appendix 3. There are a number of Lanarkshire based organisations that have applied to both North and South Lanarkshire Councils where further discussion may lead to more equitable funding arrangements including joint funding agreements and monitoring requirements.
- 3.4. The value of the grants requested to date plus the value of the 1 remaining three year funding agreement totals £703,558. This figure will increase with other applications expected during 2009/2010. As noted above, the Section 10 budget for 2009/2010 is £475,160. With the value of the requests received to date being in excess of the available budget, it will clearly not be possible to meet all of the funding requests.

4. Financial/Personnel/Legal/Policy Implications

- 4.1. Of the 42 applications received, 40 have been recommended for approval as outlined in Appendix 1 and 2. The available funding for 2009/10 is £475,160. The total value of the payments recommended is £446,267, which includes the value of the one continuing three year funding agreement of £17,000. If all the recommendations are approved this would leave a balance of £28,893 for any further applications expected during 2009/10. A number of existing grant holders have yet to submit applications for 2009/10 and it can be expected that further demands will be made on the budget during the year.

5. Recommendations

- 5.1. Committee is asked to:
- (i) Approve the funding recommendations in the appendices to this report; and
 - (ii) Note that exact final awards may vary subject to any Council decision on providing inflationary uplifts to grants to voluntary bodies.



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Appendix 1

Organisations eligible or in receipt of 3 year funding agreements

1A: Organisations currently in receipt of a 3 year funding agreement which terminates on 31st March 2009

Ref No	Organisation	2008/09 Award	2009/10 Request	2009/10 Recommendation for further 3 year funding agreement
01/2009	Watch Us Grow	£20,000	£21,683	£20,000 annually
05/2009	Family Mediation West	£10,868	£11,000	£10,868 annually
19/2009	Cumbernauld & Kilsyth Unemployed Workers Centre	£30,000	£30,000	£30,000 annually
21/2009	Newmains Community Advice Centre	£56,275	£49,742	£49,742 annually
40/2009	Chryston & District Carers Support Group	£15,593	£14,600	£14,600 annually
41/2009	PETAL	£10,868	£50,978	£10,868 annually
42/2009	TIAC	£86,627	£92,696	£86,627 annually
Total		£230,231	£270,699	£222,705 annually

1B: Organisations recommended for an extended funding agreement for the first time

Ref No	Organisation	2008/09 Award	2009/10 Request	2009/10 Recommendation for 2 year funding agreement
35/2008	Macmillan & CAB Partnership	£40,000	£40,000	£40,000 annually
32/2009	Rochsoles Community Resource Project	£8,300	£8,952	£8,300
Total		£40,000	£40,000	£40,000 annually

1C: Organisations in receipt of a 3 year funding agreement which extends beyond 2009/10

Ref No	Organisation	2008/09 Award	2009/10 Request	2009/10 Recommendation
41/2008	Victim Support Scotland	£17,000	£17,000	£17,000 annually
Total		£17,000	£17,000	£17,000 annually

Appendix 2

Organisations recommended for annual grant funding				
Ref No	Organisation	2008/09 Award	2009/10 Request	2009/10 Recommendation
02/2009	Alexander Retired Citizens Club	£500	£500	£500
03/2009	Deafblind Scotland	£6,384	£6,384	£6,384
04/2009	Anstruther Holiday Project	£1,000	£1,000	£1,000
06/2009	Pain Association Scotland	£750	£750	£750
07/2009	Lanarkshire Rape Crisis Centre	£10,973	£17,405	£10,973
08/2009	Wishaw Stroke Group	£500	£1,000	£500
09/2009	ABC Alcohol and Recovery Support Group	£700	£1,000	£700
10/2009	Cruse Bereavement Care Scotland - Lanarkshire Branch	£3,500	£4,990	£3,500
11/2009	Dementia Services Development Trust	£2,000	£2,000	£2,000
12/2009	Birthlink	£2,000	£5,200	£2,000
13/2009	NSPCC	£3,000	£3,469	£3,000
14/2009	Multiple Sclerosis Society - Cumbernauld	£900	£1,100	£900
15/2009	Parkinson's Self Help Group (North Lanarkshire)	£11,000	£24,636	£11,000
16/2009	Samaritans of Lanarkshire in Hamilton	£2,000	£2,000	£2,000
17/2009	Choices: One Parent Families West	£2,000	£12,000	£2,000
18/2009	Scottish Care & Information on Miscarriage (SCIM)	£2,000	£15,649	£2,000
20/2009	Lanarkshire Cancer Care Trust	£9,999	£25,000	£9,999
22/2009	Airdrie Self Help Group for Visually Impaired	£1,000	£2,580	£1,000
23/2009	Shotts & District Volunteer Addiction Group	£3,000	£3,000	£3,000
25/2009	Scottish Pensions Association- Cumbernauld	£400	£485	£400
26/2009	HOPE for Autism	£10,000	£15,000	£10,000

27/2009	Lanarkshire Couple Counselling	£3,500	£3,500	£3,500
28/2009	Scottish Marriage Care	£3,500	£7,418	£3,500
29/2009	Glenboig Neighbourhood House	£3,000	£3,000	£3,000
30/2009	Terrence Higgins Trust Scotland	£7,380	£7,600	£7,380
31/2009	The Spark Initiative (Spark Befriending Service)	£8,000	£20,000	£8,000
33/2009	Parkinson's Self Help Group - Motherwell	£8,796	£9,000	£8,796
34/2009	Scottish Spina Bifida Association	£5,000	£103,000	£5,000
35/2009	Monklands Asian Group	£5,000	£6,000	£5,000
36/2009	Kilsyth Old People's Committee	£1,000	£1,600	£1,000
37/2009	Headway Motherwell	£2,000	£7,660	£2,000
38/2009	North Lanarkshire Disability Forum	£37,480	£42,729	£37,480
Total		£166,562	£365,607	£166,562

Appendix 3

Organisations applying for annual grant where the recommendation is to refuse or continue for further information/discussion				
Ref No	Organisation	2008/09 Award	2009/10 Request	2009/10 Recommendation
24/2009	Age Concern Scotland	£6,000.00	£8,502.00	Continue
39/2009	Scottish Women's Aid	£0.00	£1,750.00	Refuse (we fund local organisations who pay affiliation fee to national body)