

Review Update

Review	Voluntary and Community Sector Commissioning Framework
Committee/Task Group	Voluntary and Community Sector Commissioning Framework Task Group
Chair	Councillor Jeanette Aron
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Response	Cabinet 8 October 2012

Recommendation		Response
1.	The Small Grants Fund should be continued.	Cabinet agrees the continuation of the Small Grants Fund. <i>(resolution 3 – Cabinet minutes)</i>
2.	The total Small Grant Fund should be £50,000.	
3.	The limit for individual small grants should be £2,000.	Cabinet delegates responsibility to the Head of Community Services in consultation with the Portfolio Holder and the Chair of the Voluntary and Community Sector Commissioning Framework Task Group to approve the eligibility criteria for the Small Grants Fund. <i>(resolution 4 – Cabinet minutes)</i>
4.	Application criteria should include projects and 'invest to save' initiatives.	
5.	The process for Small Grant applications should encourage match funding.	

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<p>6. The priorities in the draft Commissioning Framework document as detailed below are supported:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Infrastructure support to the voluntary and community sector • Enabling people with physical mobility problems to access services in the town centre • Advice Services • Arts and Culture • Community Centres • Sport 	<p>Cabinet agrees the service commissioning priorities as identified in 3.4 of the Cabinet response.</p> <p><i>(resolution 2 – Cabinet minutes)</i></p>

Officers have provided updates on the implementation of the Commissioning Framework (Appendix 1) and the Small Grants Fund (Appendix 2)