

NOTICE OF ITEM(S) OF BUSINESS  
TO BE CONSIDERED BY  
INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS OF THE CABINET

Date when item(s) to be considered:	16th February 2005 at 11am.
Name of Individual Member(s) (Portfolio Holder[s]) who will consider the item(s):	Councillors Mrs J Chandler and T V Rogers.
Subject of item(s) to be considered:	Grant Aid to Voluntary Organisations 2005/6.
Summary of item(s) to be considered:	To consider further applications for grant aid for Capital and Revenue Grant in 2005/6.  Supporting report attached.
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## INFORMATION FOR CABINET MEMBERS CLLRS T V ROGERS AND MRS J CHANDLER IN RESPECT OF AWARDS OF GRANT AID TO VOLUNTARY ORGANISATIONS 2005/06

(Report by Head of Community Services)

### 1. Summary

This report outlines the current position relating to earlier awards and sets out recommendations for both capital and revenue awards for 2005-06.

### 2. Capital Projects

2.1 The aim of this fund is to support capital projects which deliver a meeting place, a playground or a playing field to identifiable communities. It is also normal for projects supported by this fund to have significant lead in periods. Projects are then assessed against a range of further prioritised criteria. The priority order is:

- Priority 1 Projects to address legislative requirements;
- Priority 2 Projects for the correction of health and safety failures;
- Priority 3 Projects for the provision of facilities where none currently exist;
- Priority 4 Projects for the replacement of provision which has come to the end of its natural life; and
- Priority 5 Projects for the improvement or replacement of existing facilities.

2.2 The maximum grant payable to support any one project is £25,000, but no grant may exceed one quarter of the total cost for repairs or improvements, or one third of the cost for new facilities or extensions.

2.3 Appendix A attached provides details of those applications received, a brief summary of the purpose for which grant aid is requested, officer comments on the individual applications and recommendations.

2.4 The budgetary position for the Capital fund is shown below.

	<b>£k</b>
<b>Original 2004/05 Capital Allocation</b>	105
<b>Add</b> Amounts allocated but unpaid from earlier years	103
<b>Total 2004/05 Capital Programme</b>	<hr/> 208
<b>Less</b> Payments made to 31 January 2005	148
Items approved but not yet paid	95
<b>Uncommitted Balance Carried Forward to 2005/06</b>	<hr/> -35
<b>Add</b> 2005/06 Capital Allocation	110
<b>Total 2005/06 Capital Programme</b>	<hr/> <hr/> 75

Consequently, Members have the opportunity to allocate up to **£75k** at this meeting.

### 3. Revenue Projects

3.1 The table in 3.6 below shows that **£39,000** is available to support general revenue projects. All applicants for grants must:

- be not for profit organisations;
- be undertaking work within Huntingdonshire and must demonstrate a need for the service within the community that it serves;
- be engaged in activities which fit with the Council's priorities and objectives;
- be properly managed and able to demonstrate that they are able to achieve the objectives for which the grant is applied for;
- normally be seeking funding for a one-off project; and
- be prepared to provide detailed financial information for grants above £1,000.

3.2 In addition, Members will recall that previous grant aid policy decisions mean that applications (both revenue and capital) will not be considered for the following reasons:

- funding activities that are the responsibility of other statutory agencies;
- providing replacement funding for activities or services previously funded by other statutory agencies;
- funding pre school nurseries, after school clubs or other educational facilities and services;
- funding church or religious facilities (unless the facility is the only meeting place available to the community);
- funding core organisational activities.

3.3 Grants do not exceed the minimum of one third of the total cost of the project or £25,000.

3.4 The District Council provides revenue grant aid from this fund to six organisations via Service Level Agreements. These are:

- Huntingdonshire Citizens Advice Bureaux
- Huntingdonshire Federation of Volunteer Bureaux
- Hunts Forum for Voluntary Organisations
- Cambridgeshire ACRE (Leader+ Programme)
- Natural High
- Peterborough CVS Global Grants

3.5 Members agreed at their last meeting an award of £25,000 to The Pepys House Trust with the award deferred to the 2005-06 financial year. The Trustees have confirmed in writing that they anticipate having all the necessary funds in place this year to proceed with the purchase of the property.

3.6 The budgetary position with regard to revenue funding is summarised below: -

	£	£
<b>2005/06 Budget Allocations</b>		279,836
<b>Add</b> Likely under spend to be Brought forward from 2004/05		12,556
<b>2005/06 Expenditure Limit</b>		292,392
<b>Less</b> Grant aid via SLA to:-		
Huntingdonshire CABx	135,320	
Huntingdonshire FVBx	33,415	
Hunts Forum*	37,165	
Cambridge ACRE	3,371	
Natural High	7,000	
Peterborough CVS	10,000	
		226,271
<b>Less</b> Fixed grant sums:-		
**Sporting and artistic excellence awards		1,500
<b>Less</b> The Pepys House Trust		25,000
<b>2005/06 Uncommitted Budget</b>		<b>39,621</b>

\* Please refer to paragraph 5 of this report

\*\* (These are maximum sums and can be delivered back to general revenue grant aid if not required).

Consequently, Members have the opportunity to allocate up to **£39,621** at this meeting.

3.7 Appendix B attached to this report provides details of those revenue applications received, a brief summary of the application, officer comments and recommendations plus details of any awards made in 2004-05 financial year and the amount requested in 2005-06.

#### 4. Natural High

4.1 Members will recall that whilst they agreed an additional £1,000 on top of the previous £6,000 agreed to meet the organisation's increased accommodation costs. Members deferred a decision on the organisation's request for additional funding to address its shortfall in core operational funding that used to be provided via a Community Fund award. The Community Fund award ended in July 2004. Since then the organisation has been surviving by using its reserves, which will be depleted by March 2005. The organisation has funding for delivering its specific projects and initiatives. It is the management costs which present the organisation with concern

4.2 Natural High works in partnership with District Council Arts Services and Leisure Development Officers on a variety of arts initiatives that actively engage young people.

- 4.3 Huntingdonshire Community Safety Partnership is currently considering how the Safer, Stronger Communities Fund will be allocated for the financial year 2005/06. The Partnership will be considering funding applications that address the six crime and disorder priorities that have been identified for the Strategy period 2005/08. Natural High would be able to submit an application for financial assistance towards the organisation's core operational costs if the organisation is addressing one or more of the identified priorities. If any funding were made available it would be for one year only and would commence on 1 April 2005.
- 4.4 Officers have also approached the County Council's Youth Service in seeking longer term resources for Natural High's need to secure core funding. Any progress on this matter will be reported to Members at their meeting to consider grant aid for 2005/06.

## **5. Hunts Forum for Voluntary Organisations**

- 5.1 Members will recall that at last years Grant Aid meeting an application requesting funding from Hunts Forum for an additional post was referred to you from the Huntingdonshire Strategic Partnership Board. The post is to enable better voluntary sector involvement in the Strategic Partnership.
- 5.2 Members agreed to the principle that additional support should be provided to enable better voluntary sector involvement. However, Members did not agree that this cost should be borne exclusively by the District Council. Members agreed that the request should be refereed back to the Strategic Partnership board with a recommendation that other statutory partners contribute equally.
- 5.3 The Strategic Partnership management board are due to consider Hunts Forum's request at their meeting scheduled for 9 February. Subject to the other statutory agencies agreeing to contribute. The cost to the District Council will be £8,000 per annum. The District Council's Policy and Economic Development unit will provide £3,000 per annum to the project the balance coming from the grant aid budget.
- 5.4 It is **recommended** that Members agree an award of £5,000

## **6. Recommendations**

- 6.1 That Members agree the recommendation set out in section 5.4 of this report
- 6.2 That Members agree the recommendations set out in Appendices A and B of this report

### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

Grant Aid Applications Received

Grant Aid Capital & Revenue Application Forms

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APPENDIX A

CAPITAL GRANT AID APPLICATIONS – BUDGET AVAILABLE FOR ALLOCATION £75,000

Name of applicant	Synopsis of application	Officer comments	Priority & Recommendations
Brampton Parish Council	Grant Aid is requested towards costs associated with making alterations to the Community Centre, High Street, Brampton, to conform to DDA regulations. The Parish Council intend to install a 2-way disabled ramp to the rear of the building, plus alterations to existing toilet areas to allow the installation of a separate disabled toilet.	The project meets the District Council's eligibility criteria.  Total project cost £10,510 <b>Amount requested £7,500</b>	Priority 1  Award up to 25% of cost £2,650
Ellington Parish Council	Grant Aid is requested towards costs associated with the installation of a disabled toilet and a ramp to comply with DDA legislation. Also funds are requested towards costs associated with refurbishing the village hall kitchen and toilets to meet environmental health safety standards.	The project meets the District Council's eligibility criteria.  Total project cost £33,000 <b>Amount requested £11,000</b>	Priority 1/2  Award up to 25% of cost £8,250
Ramsey Town Council	Grant Aid is requested towards costs associated with replacing play equipment that fails to meet EN1176 and upgrading the current safety surfacing at Ramsey Forty Foot playing field, which has been gifted to the Town Council.	The project meets the District Council's eligibility criteria. However, prior to any funds being released a risk assessment should be undertaken on the present equipment.  Total project cost £12,000 <b>Amount requested £12,000</b>	Priority 3  Award up to 25% of cost £3,000

Name of applicant	Synopsis of application	Officer comments	Priority & Recommendations
St Neots Town Council	Grant Aid is requested towards costs associated with providing a community centre for the Eatons area of St Neots (Eaton Ford and Eaton Socon)	<p>The Town Council have identified where the funds for such a project will come from:-  C.C.C. £100,000  Town Council £200,000  WREN £20,000  HDC £25,000  PWL Loan £180,000</p> <p>There are no community facilities in the Eatons area of St Neots.</p> <p>Total project cost £525,000  <b>Amount requested £25,000</b></p>	Priority 3  Award £25,000
Upwood and the Raveleys Parish Council	Grant Aid is requested towards costs associated with providing play facilities within the parish.	<p>The project meets the District Council's eligibility criteria. Currently there are no play facilities within the village. The Parish Council at their meeting on 6 September 2004, agreed to provide the necessary site for a safe play area.</p> <p>Total project cost £42,400  <b>Amount requested £25,000</b></p>	Priority 3  Award up to 33% of cost of new facilities. £14,150

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Colne Parish Council	Grant Aid is requested towards costs associated with replacing the present safety surface of bark chippings with rubber safety matting, installing two spring animals for toddlers, small tower, two new junior goal posts and BMX / skateboard equipment.	The aim is to replace equipment installed when the playing field was purchased and developed in the early 1960s. Prior to any funds been released a risk assessment should be undertaken on the present equipment.  Total project cost £25,000 <b>Amount requested £10,000</b>	Priority 4  Award up to 25% of cost £6,250
Brampton Parish Council	Grant Aid is requested towards costs associated with creating an office for the Parish Clerk that is accessible to the public. The Parish Clerk currently works from home and does not have an office accessible to the public.	Does not meet the District Council's eligibility criteria. See report §§2.1 and 3.2  Total project cost £4,000 <b>Amount requested £2,500</b>	No Award
Chatterbox Pre-School Playgroup	Grant Aid is requested towards costs associated with purchasing a new building to replace the current mobile building that is now nearing the end of its days. The building will be used by children between the ages of 0-12 (playgroup, out of school club).	Does not meet the District Council's eligibility criteria. See report §§2.1 and 3.2 Total project cost £130,000 <b>Amount requested £130,000</b>	No Award
Friends of Sawtry Playpark	Grant Aid is requested towards costs associated with upgrading the playpark facilities to meet DDA requirements, and the purchase of suitable play equipment for disabled children.	The responsibility for ensuring the Play Park meets legislative requirements rests with the respective Parish Council, and not the District Council.  Total project cost £13,000 <b>Amount requested £7,000</b>	No Award

Name of applicant	Synopsis of application	Officer comments	Priority & Recommendations
St John the Baptist, Holywell-cum-Needingworth	The applicant has requested that members reconsider this grant aid application. Grant aid is requested towards costs associated with undertaking urgent repairs to the roof and tower of this Grade 1 listed church building.	Does not meet the District Council's eligibility criteria. See report §3.2 Total project cost £228,000 <b>Amount requested £10,000</b>	No Award
<b>Total Recommendations £ 59,300</b>			

APPENDIX B

REVENUE GRANT AID APPLICATIONS – BUDGET AVAILABLE FOR ALLOCATION £39,621

Name of applicant	Synopsis of application	Officer comments	Recommendations
1 <sup>st</sup> Hunts Scout Group	<p>Grant aid is requested towards costs associated with the hire of premises and the purchase of new games equipment and activity material.</p> <p>Total cost of project for which grant aid is requested £1,000</p> <p><b>Amount of grant aid requested £1,000</b></p>	<p>The applicant is requesting 100% funding the organisation brought forward £996. from 2002 to 2003 and has financial assets totalling £1,870.</p>	No Award
1 <sup>st</sup> Needingworth Scout Group	<p>Grant aid is requested towards costs associated with the purchase of new tents for use by the scout and cub packs.</p> <p>Total cost of project for which grant aid is requested £2,400</p> <p><b>Amount of grant aid requested £1,800</b></p>	<p>The Scout groups income and expenditure account show that the organisation have financial reserves over £4,000. However last year the organisation had an operating deficit over £3,000. Nevertheless the organisation is able to fund the purchase of tents from within its own resources.</p>	No Award
Age Concern Cambridgeshire	<p>Grant aid is requested towards costs associated with the provision home care, day care and advocacy services for older people in Huntingdonshire.</p> <p>Total cost of project for which grant aid is requested £23,303</p> <p><b>Amount of grant aid requested £7,742</b></p> <p>Award made in 2004/05 £2,350</p>	<p>The organisation supports 39 over 60's clubs in Huntingdonshire, organises 4 Huntingdonshire forum meetings for older people per year and 3 countywide forum events. Age Concern are involved in a variety of partnership groups with the District Council.</p>	Award £2,410

Name of applicant	Synopsis of application	Officer comments	Recommendations
AICH	<p>Grant aid is requested towards cost associated with the organisations general running costs.</p> <p>Total cost of project for which grant aid is requested £54,859</p> <p><b>Amount of grant aid requested £7,500</b></p> <p><b>Award made in 2004/05 £2,650</b></p>	<p>The organisation is in the process of going through a major reorganisation and realignment of its working practices. The organisations annual expenditure budget for 2003/04 was £96,685 the budget for 2005/06 has been reduced to £54,895, following the end of the Community Fund award.</p> <p>See report §3.2</p>	Award £2,720
Alconbury Community Pre-School	<p>Grant aid is requested towards cost of purchasing an interactive whiteboard and a computer.</p> <p>Total cost of project for which grant aid is requested £2,300</p> <p><b>Amount of grant aid requested £2,300</b></p>		<p>No Award</p> <p>Note assistance in kind is available via the District Council's rural access help service, who having upgraded their PCs have surplus equipment available.</p>
Alzheimer's Society	<p>Grant aid is requested towards cost of purchasing a laptop computer for use in delivering a programme of courses throughout the district for carers of those suffering with dementia.</p> <p>Total cost of project for which grant aid is requested £1,900</p> <p><b>Amount of grant aid requested £950</b></p>	<p>The applicant indicates in their application that the training courses are delivered in partnership with Hunts PCT. Therefore Officers consider that the PCT should be approached for funding for this equipment.</p>	No Award

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Burleigh Hill Playgroup	<p>Grant aid is requested towards funding to support the enhancement of outdoor &amp; physical play equipment. Also to develop an outdoor garden area.</p> <p>Total cost of project for which grant aid is requested £1,000  <b>Amount of grant aid requested £1,000</b></p>	See report §3.2	No Award
CALC	<p>Grant aid is requested towards funding the organisations support and assistance to Parish and Town Councils.</p> <p>Total cost of project for which grant aid is requested £90,500  <b>Amount of grant aid requested £3,000</b>  Award made in 2004/05 £2,600</p>	<p>The organisation works in partnership with the District Council on a number of initiatives. The applicant is requesting a 13% increase on last year's grant aid award. CALC are only proposing an inflation increase to their member organisations for 05/06. Three other authorities in Cambridgeshire are proposing no increase above the present levels of awards.</p>	Award £2,665
Cambridgeshire Consultancy in Counselling	<p>Grant aid is requested towards making available professional counselling to those who would not otherwise be able to afford it.</p> <p>Total cost of project for which grant aid is requested £9,198  <b>Amount of grant aid requested £5,000</b></p>	<p>The organisation has been operating for 26 years. In the past year, approximately 900 hours counselling has been provided to Huntingdonshire residents. The request for funding is due to increasing demand on services, which can no longer be funded from within the charity.</p>	No Award

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CAYC	<p>Grant aid is requested towards enabling the organisation to continue to actively promote and support the development of quality youth work with young people in the Huntingdonshire area.</p> <p>Total cost of project for which grant aid is requested £2,500  <b>Amount of grant aid requested £1,900</b>  Award made in 2004/05 £1,750</p>	<p>CAYC provides direct support to 22 groups in Huntingdonshire. Additionally via the Active Citizens project CAYC supported young people led initiatives in Huntingdon, Brampton, Sawtry and Yaxley.</p>	Award £1,795
Cambridgeshire Family Mediation Service	<p>Grant aid is requested towards enabling the organisation to continue to provide information for couples contemplating separation and divorce. Mediation is available for separating couples and support to parents whose children are undergoing counselling as a result of parental separation or divorce.</p> <p>Total cost of project for which grant aid is requested £135,500  <b>Amount of grant aid requested £900</b>  Award made in 2004/05 £575</p>	<p>6.4% of service users came from the Huntingdonshire area. Also 390 counselling sessions were provided to children and young people.</p>	Award £590

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Care Network	<p>Grant aid is requested towards enabling the organisation to establish a project called Helping Hands in Hunts. The aim of the project is to support vulnerable people in rural communities by establishing small good neighbour schemes aimed at enabling the elderly to remain independent in their own homes and communities.</p> <p>Total cost of project for which grant aid is requested £61,142 <b>Amount of grant aid requested £2,000</b></p>	<p>The functions and services proposed by the applicant will support vulnerable people in rural communities, who do not have access to the support services available in urban areas.</p>	<p>Award £2,000 Start Up Award</p>
Choices	<p>Grant aid is requested towards enabling the organisation to fund an outreach service in Huntingdonshire for women who have become disadvantaged by the effects that childhood sexual abuse has had on their lives.</p> <p>Total cost of project for which grant aid is requested £45,697 <b>Amount of grant aid requested £6,534</b></p>	<p>This organisation is currently providing a service for 45 clients of which 9 are Huntingdonshire residents. The amount of funding requested represents 100% of the cost of establishing a service in Huntingdonshire.</p>	<p>No Award</p>
Cornerstone Care in Confidence	<p>Grant aid is requested towards enabling the organisation to develop an education programme to take into secondary schools in the Huntingdon area. The organisation provides trained counsellors to support those facing an unplanned pregnancy.</p> <p>Total cost of project for which grant aid is requested £300 <b>Amount of grant aid requested £300</b></p>	<p>The reduction in the number of teenage pregnancies is a major target of the Health Service, and funding is available from the PCTs for such initiatives.</p>	<p>No Award</p>

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DISH	<p>Grant aid is requested towards enabling the organisation to continue to provide its information and advice service to disabled people and their carers.</p> <p>Total cost of project for which grant aid is requested £45,717</p> <p><b>Amount of grant aid requested £6,858</b></p> <p>Award made in 2004/05 £4,900</p>	<p>In 2004, DISH has responded to 721 enquiries and has assisted individuals to access £218,000 in unclaimed benefits.</p>	Award £5,025
Fenstanton Spectrum	<p>Grant aid is requested towards costs associated with producing the monthly magazine/newsletter for the residents of Fenstanton and Hilton.</p> <p>Total cost of project for which grant aid is requested £5,500</p> <p><b>Amount of grant aid requested £500</b></p>	<p>The magazine/newsletter serves a very specific community if funding is required the respective parish council's should meet the cost.</p>	No Award
Go 4 It	<p>Grant aid is requested towards costs associated with providing a weekly venue (Medway Centre) for disabled people to meet socially. The bulk of the grant aid request will be used towards transport and accommodation costs.</p> <p>Total cost of project for which grant aid is requested £18,000</p> <p><b>Amount of grant aid requested £5,000</b></p>	<p>The club used to be financed and managed by the County Council's Social Services. See report §3.2</p>	No Award

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Grafham Water Sailability	<p>The applicant has submitted 2 grant aid applications the first application is requesting financial assistance towards the clubs general operation costs. The second application is requesting financial assistance towards the purchase of a new Challenger sailing dingy.</p> <p>Total cost of projects for which grant aid is requested £19,000 <b>Amount of grant aid requested £4,500</b></p>	<p>Whilst the District Council did not award a grant to this applicant in the present financial year the District Council have regularly supported the organisation in previous years. The organisation financial accounts show that at 31 October 2004 the organisation had reserves totalling £10,833.</p>	<p>Award £2,300 (for dinghy only)</p>
Great Gidding After School Club	<p>Grant aid is requested towards costs associated with creating a room within the after school club with a multi-sensory theme.</p> <p>Total cost of project for which grant aid is requested £2,306 <b>Amount of grant aid requested £2,306</b></p>	<p>See report §3.2</p>	<p>No Award</p>
Hartford Bridge Club	<p>Grant aid is requested towards costs associated with the replacement of card tables, cloths and playing cards.</p> <p>Total cost of project for which grant aid is requested £305 <b>Amount of grant aid requested £300</b></p>	<p>The replacement of the equipment outlined in the application is part of the organisations core running expenses, and as such should be financed from the clubs own resources.</p>	<p>No Award</p>

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Hemingford Abbots Playgroup	<p>Grant aid is requested towards costs associated with establishing a regular weekly meeting place for parents/carers of pre school and/or special needs children.</p> <p>Total cost of project for which grant aid is requested £1,000  <b>Amount of grant aid requested £2,500</b></p>	See report §3.2	No Award
Holme Village Pre-School	<p>Grant aid is requested towards costs associated with providing a secure outside area that can be used as an extension to the pre-school classroom.</p> <p>Total cost of project for which grant aid is requested £3,000  <b>Amount of grant aid requested £750</b></p>	See report §3.2	No Award
Houghton & Wyton Bowls Club	<p>Grant aid is requested towards costs associated with the upgrading of the clubs bowling green by installing banks at either end of the green.</p> <p>Total cost of project for which grant aid is requested £6,496  <b>Amount of grant aid requested £2,000</b></p>	The proposed improvements would bring the facilities up to national standards. The club currently has 40 members, it is hoped the improvements will enable the club to hold onto experienced players who presently move on to other clubs whose facilities meet EBA/EBF standards.	Award £2,000

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Huntingdon Community Radio	<p>Grant aid is requested towards costs associated with the purchase of a computer</p> <p>Total cost of project for which grant aid is requested £10,000</p> <p><b>Amount of grant aid requested £850</b></p>	<p>Huntingdon community radio broadcast a service once or twice a year on a special licence from OFCOM. The computer will be used to store the organisation's music.</p>	<p>No Award</p> <p>Note assistance in kind is available via the District Council's rural access help service, who having upgraded their PCs have surplus equipment available</p>
Kimbolton Rainbow Guides	<p>Grant aid is requested towards costs associated with funding transport costs for taking the members on day trips to facilities suitable for the age group.</p> <p>Total cost of project for which grant aid is requested £200</p> <p><b>Amount of grant aid requested £200</b></p>	<p>These costs are part of the organisation's general operational expenses.</p>	<p>No Award</p>
New Ramp Group (NRG)	<p>Grant aid is requested towards costs associated with the NRG Festival. The festival incorporates both free and paid events comprising skateboard and BMX competitions and live music performed by local bands.</p> <p>Total cost of project for which grant aid is requested £5,000</p> <p><b>Amount of grant aid requested £3,000</b></p>	<p>The festival was organised for the first time last year it is proposed to hold next year's event as part of the official opening of the new skate park, which will generate substantial publicity throughout the region.</p>	<p>Award</p> <p>£1,700</p>

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Papworth Tennis Club	<p>Grant aid is requested towards costs associated with the construction of 4 macadam courts, practice area and kids' zone as well as providing floodlighting and ensuring the venue has access for wheelchairs.</p> <p>Total cost of project for which grant aid is requested £172,000  <b>Amount of grant aid requested £5,000</b></p>	<p>The Tennis Club has generated £30,000 from various fundraising activities and is seeking external funding to raise the balance.</p> <p>The organisation is applying to the District Council as 35% of the club's 200 members come from Huntingdonshire.</p>	Award £5,000
Peterborough & District Samaritans	<p>Grant aid is requested towards costs associated with improving security at the organisation's base.</p> <p>Total cost of project for which grant aid is requested £6,396  <b>Amount of grant aid requested £2,815</b>  Award made in 2004/05 £2,000</p>	<p>The organisation provides a service 24 hours per day and twice this year the organisation has been subject to break-ins through the organisation's door. Consequently the organisation has decided to replace the present doors with security doors.</p>	Award £2,050
Pidley Village Hall	<p>Grant aid is requested towards costs associated with improving the car park at the village hall.</p> <p>Total cost of project for which grant aid is requested £950  <b>Amount of grant aid requested £2,000</b></p>	<p>The village hall accounts for year ending 31 October 2003 identify that the village hall association have reserves totalling £8,432.</p>	No Award
Playtimes Playgroup	<p>Grant aid is requested towards costs associated with the purchase of folding tables and chairs for adults and a storage shed.</p> <p>Total cost of project for which grant aid is requested £1,725  <b>Amount of grant aid requested £1,725</b></p>	See report §3.2	No Award

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Ramsey Tennis Club	<p>Grant aid is requested towards costs associated with the refurbishment and upgrading of the 2 existing tennis courts.</p> <p>Total cost of project for which grant aid is requested £20,000  <b>Amount of grant aid requested £1,000</b></p>	<p>This application was first considered via the Ramsey Area Partnerships Community chest-funding programme. The application was not successful as the fund is very limited and well over-subscribed. The request outlined was the limit for the fund to which the tennis club applied.</p>	Award £1,000
Relate Cambridge	<p>Grant aid is requested towards enabling the organisation to fund its outreach service in Huntingdonshire to adults who are experiencing relationship difficulties.</p> <p>Total cost of project for which grant aid is requested £3,131  <b>Amount of grant aid requested £1,650</b>  Award made in 2004/05 £1,600</p>	<p>In 2003-04 18% of sessions held in Huntingdonshire, the client paid nothing. For 55% of all sessions the clients paid less than the actual cost (which is £35 per session). Between April and September of this year the organisation helped 131 people living in the Huntingdonshire area (14% of all clients).</p>	Award £1,650
Spurgeons Childcare	<p>Grant aid is requested towards enabling the organisation to fund the salary and associated costs of one part time refuge worker (20hrs per week)</p> <p>Total cost of project for which grant aid is requested £164,950  <b>Amount of grant aid requested £14,000</b></p>	<p>The post for which funding is requested will provide support to women fleeing domestic violence, who are accommodated at Caroline Norton House women's refuge.</p>	No Award

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St Ives Rowing Club	<p>Grant aid is requested towards enabling the organisation to employ a community rowing coach to develop a junior rowing programme.</p> <p>Total cost of project for which grant aid is requested £4,000</p> <p><b>Amount of grant aid requested £2,000</b></p>	<p>The grant aid requested is to match funds from the community sports coach scheme operated by Sport England and managed by Cambridgeshire &amp; Peterborough Active Sports Partnership.</p>	Award £1,330
St Ives Youth Theatre	<p>Grant aid is requested towards enabling the organisation to put on a performance at the Edinburgh Fringe Festival in August 2005.</p> <p>Total cost of project for which grant aid is requested £39,325</p> <p><b>Amount of grant aid requested £32,325</b></p>	<p>Funding is sought to meet costs associated with accommodation and transport. The theatre group intend to take the performers to both the holocaust centre at Newark and Auschwitz in Poland.</p>	No Award
St Neots and District Voluntary Welfare Association	<p>Grant Aid is requested towards costs associated with refurbishment and decoration of the association's premises.</p> <p>Total project cost £12,216</p> <p><b>Amount requested £2,000</b></p>	<p>This project is part of the organisation's core costs.</p>	No Award
St Neots Holidays at Home	<p>Grant aid is requested towards enabling the organisation to organise and arrange holiday activities for children from the St Neots from families that are facing very specific difficulties.</p> <p>Total cost of project for which grant aid is requested £23,175</p> <p><b>Amount of grant aid requested £1000</b></p> <p>Award made in 2004/05 £1,000</p>	<p>Last year the organisation supported over 240 children. Some of the children are nominated and financially supported by Social Services.</p>	Award £1,000

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St Neots Swans Swimming Club	<p>Grant aid is requested towards enabling the organisation to purchase an electronic timing system.</p> <p>Total cost of project for which grant aid is requested £14,933  <b>Amount of grant aid requested £6,315</b></p>	<p>The Swimming club has at present over 500 members. The electronic timing equipment would enable the club to retain high quality swimmers who currently have to move onto other clubs.</p>	No Award
Stukeley Meadows Residents Association	<p>Grant aid is requested towards enabling the organisation to provide a local community newsletter 4 times per year and an information booklet on local services.</p> <p>Total cost of project for which grant aid is requested £700  <b>Amount of grant aid requested £500</b></p>		£250 Start up Award
The Bridge Money Advice Centre	<p>Grant aid is requested towards enabling the organisation to provide a free debt advice service to residents of the St Ives area.</p> <p>Total cost of project for which grant aid is requested £2,410  <b>Amount of grant aid requested £950</b></p>	<p>The CAB already provides a licensed debt advice service in St Ives.</p>	No Award
U3A Huntingdon	<p>Grant aid is requested towards enabling the organisation to meet costs associated with the organisations general operating expenses.</p> <p>Total cost of project for which grant aid is requested £1,400  <b>Amount of grant aid requested £500</b></p>	<p>The organisation has a current membership of approximately 240 and is growing. The funds requested are to enable the organisation to operate a number of courses that members have indicated they wish to see run.</p>	No Award

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Upwood 55 Plus Club	<p>Grant aid is requested towards enabling the organisation to organise a summer coach outing for members.</p> <p>Total cost of project for which grant aid is requested £1,400  <b>Amount of grant aid requested £500</b></p>	<p>Costs for trips etc are part of the organisations general operating costs. The organisations accounts show the group have financial resources totalling £3,600</p>	No Award
Vitalise	<p>Grant aid is requested towards enabling the organisation to subsidise planned breaks for 29 disabled people and their carers at the organisations centres.</p> <p>Total cost of project for which grant aid is requested £10,208  <b>Amount of grant aid requested £2,552</b></p>	<p>The organisation was previously known as the Winged Fellowship Trust and up to this present financial year members had supported the organisation. There is no referral process. Disabled people or their carers book places independently from care service providers.</p>	No Award
Vocal Academy	<p>Grant aid is requested towards enabling the organisation to purchase a trailer to transport the organisations collapsible staging.</p> <p>Total cost of project for which grant aid is requested £3,500  <b>Amount of grant aid requested £3,500</b></p>	<p>The organisation has requested funds to replace its existing trailer. Funds for such equipment should be met by the organisation.</p>	No Award
Warboys Cricket Club	<p>Grant aid is requested towards enabling the organisation to purchase outdoor cricket practice facilities.</p> <p>Total cost of project for which grant aid is requested £7,000  <b>Amount of grant aid requested £2,500</b></p>	<p>Presently the club has no outdoor practice facilities. The proposed new facilities will link into the clubs youth development plan with local schools.</p>	Award £1,875

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Warboys Sports Ground Trust	Grant Aid is requested towards costs associated with the overhaul of the trust's gang mowers.	This is part of the organisation's core costs.	No Award
<b>Total recommendations = £37.360</b>			

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