

EMERGING NEEDS AND NEW INITIATIVES GRANT APPLICATIONS 2015/16

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ARTS			
Antoni Ruschil Violin Maker	<p>Antoni Ruschil set up his business as a violin maker and restorer in 2015, based in Kingston, to supply musicians with violins, violas, cellos and baroque instruments, as well as providing services for instrument repair and restoration. Activities will also include workshops and demonstrations on instrument making.</p> <p>The grant request is for £2,000 to support the development of the business as outlined in the Business Plan.</p>	n/a	<p>As a small private business, with no constitution or management committee, Antoni Ruschil Violin Maker is not eligible for grant aid for voluntary and community organisations.</p> <p>It is recommended that the owner makes contact with local business support through Kingston Chamber of Commerce.</p> <p>Recommendation: No grant</p>
Art of the Puppet Ltd	<p>Art of the Puppet Ltd was set up as a charity in 1979 (and is also a limited company) to support two international puppet festivals in 1979 and 1984. The organisation presents innovative quality theatre with a view to raising the status and profile of the marionette. The company has an active educational policy and runs a programme of work in schools, reaching large numbers of children every year. Since 1984, the charity has worked in partnership with Movingstage, its trading arm, supporting mainly educational activities promoted by the Puppet Theatre Barge.</p>	n/a	<p>The barge is based in Westminster but runs a summer season in Richmond involving 50 public performances and there is no information about how many people from Kingston have attended. Whilst dementia is an important issue, it appears to be a new topic for Art of the Puppet and would also be a new audience since their work has focused on children.</p> <p>It is recommended that the organisation contacts Adult Social Care in Kingston and makes links with the dementia strategy – perhaps they could explore ways in which the barge could visit Kingston and/or how Kingston residents could be specifically</p>

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	<p>The grant request is for £3,000 to develop a theatre production to engage with carers of people affected by dementia.</p> <p>This is expected to contribute to the following outcomes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Improved wellbeing of those affected by dementia and their families. 		<p>targeted.</p> <p>Recommendation: No grant</p>
BalletBoyz Ltd	<p>BalletBoyz is a registered charity and a dance and film company which tours nationally and internationally.</p> <p>In 2013/14 the company produced and delivered 20 films with an estimated TV audience of 1,125,000 people.</p> <p>The grant request is for £3,000 to help with the early development of a 3 day Dance Film Festival to be held in Kingston in 2016. The event will include screenings, workshops and a film competition. The grant would be used in 2015 to create a plan of work, explore partnerships, produce a brief/proposal for presentation to further partners and sponsors and begin the implementation of a fundraising strategy.</p> <p>This is expected to contribute to the following outcomes:</p>	n/a	<p>The RBK Arts Commissioning Manager is supportive of this application which has good links into the cultural strategy priorities.</p> <p>The award winning BalletBoyz charity is relatively new to Kingston, having moved into its own studio in the borough in 2012 and is potentially of great benefit to Kingston with its high quality, high profile events, European partners and TV commissions.</p> <p>In a 2013 survey, 98% of BalletBoyz audiences rated the company as 'excellent'.</p> <p>The Dance Film Festival will help to raise Kingston's profile as a vibrant cultural centre and benefit the local economy. An Emerging Needs and New Initiatives Grant of £1,700 is therefore recommended to contribute towards the initial planning and development of the project during 2015 and begin to implement a fundraising strategy</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Residents engaging in recreational, educational and social activities • Bringing high quality events to Kingston and raising Kingston's profile as a cultural centre • Showcasing dance films and forming part of a digital strategy to increase access to high quality dance • Enhanced community cohesion and benefits to the local economy. 		<p>for a 2016 Dance Film Festival in Kingston.</p> <p>Recommendation: A grant of £1,700</p>
Creative Youth	<p>Creative Youth is a registered charity formed in 2009. The organisation works with young people aged 5-26 years old and helps them to realise their potential through the arts: developing young people by equipping them with the skills and confidence to succeed in business and the arts and celebrating the achievements of young people in the arts worldwide during the International Youth Arts Festival. They are the Voluntary Sector Strategic Lead for Arts and Culture.</p> <p>The grant request is for £2,100 to establish a group of young artists who will act as peer educators and target hard-to-reach young people facing disadvantage in RBK to become part of the project and participate in a final showcase.</p> <p>This is expected to contribute to the following</p>	<p>2014/15 EN and NI £1,500</p> <p>2015/16 CIF grant £18,000</p> <p>2015/16 Strategic Partners £3,000</p>	<p>Creative Youth now works all year round with young people and adults and contributes to Kingston's place shaping agenda and cultural ambitions. Their creative approach, together with the relationships they are forging with funders, collaborators and commissioners, has the potential to bring many cultural benefits to the borough.</p> <p>However, the project for which they are seeking funding is very similar to the one proposed by the YMCA, which has been discussed with the Arts Officer.</p> <p>Because of the pressure on the budget, it is suggested that Creative Youth makes links with the YMCA to see how they can work together on this valuable initiative.</p> <p>Recommendation: No grant</p>

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	<p>outcomes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increased community integration and cohesion Four emerging artists accessing work experience 20 participants accessing options for further training/education in their chosen field. 		
Digital Drama	<p>Digital Drama is a multi-media production Community Interest Company (CIC) which was set up in 2013. The company works with multi-generational and diverse communities to share stories and experiences thus connecting people through creative media projects.</p> <p>The grant request is for £3,000 towards research/development for new artistic projects, publicity, website development, social media marketing to enable Digital Drama to develop new projects to give more opportunities for more people to volunteer, participate and benefit from their activities.</p> <p>Outcomes include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Capacity building for the organisation to develop its offer working with partners such as Global Arts Kingston, the Rose Theatre, Anstee Bridge and several schools 	<p>2014/15 EN and NI £2,000</p> <p>2014/15 Nbhds £750 (£188 each)</p>	<p>The Arts Commissioning Manager is supportive of this application since the grant would enable further projects to be developed. Excellent feedback was received from the VE Day remembered events.</p> <p>The organisation works closely with the community through libraries and other contacts they have made during their time in the borough.</p> <p>Digital Drama includes people of all ages and backgrounds and provides numerous volunteering opportunities for people as a way to improve the physical mental health of all. As individuals, the staff of Digital Drama also volunteer within the Kingston community, specifically working with young refugees for Refugee Action Kingston.</p> <p>Recommendation: A grant of £1,700</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kingston residents will be able to volunteer, take part in workshops and learn from audio installations • Promoting a sense of belonging and community cohesion. 		
Global Arts Kingston	<p>Global Arts was formed in 2001 and is constituted as an un-incorporated association and is registered as a charity.</p> <p>The activity is BAME-led with a focus on opening up culture and traditions from different backgrounds for all to enjoy thus ensuring community cohesion as understanding and respect develops between people and communities that might not otherwise interact. Global Arts Kingston's work includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An annual programme of exhibits, showcases and performances • Participatory and educational arts projects celebrating the shared experience of heritage • Workshops, discussion groups and campaign action to represent diverse communities locally • Showcasing and celebrating the arts and heritage of Kingston's ethnic minority communities and bringing them to the widest 	2015/16 CIF £14,500	<p>Global Arts has worked hard over the last few years to develop its organisational capacity and the Arts Officer is supportive of this application.</p> <p>Global Arts Kingston has a good track record of working with other groups and supporting inclusive activities and this application reflects this approach.</p> <p>The project offers BME artists and community practitioners to develop their practice in a safe and inclusive environment, with a focus on working collaboratively and cross culturally.</p> <p>This will result in the development of a team of local artists and practitioners who can deliver more work for Global Arts Kingston and other RBK organisations and groups.</p> <p>It is hoped that this will lead to a long-term ongoing programme of professional development for young BAME artists in Kingston, working across different cultures.</p>

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	<p>possible audience.</p> <p>The grant request is for £2,250 for a pilot project involving setting up an ensemble of 5 BAME artists, who are in the early stages of their careers, to work collaboratively over 3 months with a particular focus on identity and diversity.</p> <p>Outcomes include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A space to develop new work, initially led by the topic of identity and diversity • Development of project ideas and a professional support network • Local artists equipped to deliver more work • Improved community cohesion. 		<p>Recommendation: A grant of £1,300</p>
<p>YMCA London South West</p>	<p>The YMCA London South West is a registered charity and company whose main activities include supported and move-on housing, gym and fitness facilities and engagement work with young people.</p> <p>The grant request is for £3,000 towards 'Our Town' dance/health promotion activity aimed at young people and community groups to celebrate the history, diversity and characteristics of the borough's different neighbourhoods through site-specific dance performances at local festivals or</p>	<p>2014/15 CIF £3,000</p>	<p>This application aligns well with the Arts and Cultural Strategy. The YMCA is acting as an umbrella organisation for other groups to work collaboratively with each other.</p> <p>The project will work with young people and community groups in different settings, targeting the more marginalised with the aim of giving them an opportunity to respond to their local environment in different neighbourhoods.</p> <p>Young people would be offered the opportunity to</p>

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	<p>events.</p> <p>Outcomes include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improved mental and physical wellbeing of participants • Introduction to the benefits of dance and movement • Increased confidence and self esteem • Place shaping and pride in celebrating local diversity, vitality and history. 		<p>attain the Bronze Arts Award as part of the programme as well as benefitting from the physical and psychological impact of movement. The programme would also be linked to the development of Kingston Youth Dance Company and the YMCA's volunteering programme.</p> <p>It is recommended that Creative Youth join with YMCA to pursue the activities outlined in their application.</p> <p>Recommendation: A grant of £1,800</p>
Total Arts Bid	£18,350	Total recommended	£6,500
COMMUNITY LANGUAGE AND CULTURAL			
Al Furat School	<p>Al Furat School was formed in 1994 and developed a constitution in 2008, to provide a service to children, youth and families from ethnic backgrounds. The service is delivered at Stanley Park High School in Carshalton and includes teaching Arabic community language, culture and art to children aged 4-16 years old, providing a social platform for students' families, social and cultural events, and debating integration and addressing social and domestic issues.</p> <p>The grant request is for £3,000 to contribute to</p>	2014/15 CIF (one year only) £3,000	<p>Al Furat School has moved to a base in Sutton, although Kingston residents still use the school. However, the Sutton base does change their eligibility for Kingston funding.</p> <p>In the light of this and changes to focus away from supporting non-English community language teaching, no grant is recommended.</p> <p>Recommendation: No grant</p>

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	<p>part of the ground rent of the school property to be hired and staff pay. If these expenses are covered, the capital raised from the school fees charged to the parents will be available to fund other essential initiatives.</p> <p>Outcomes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To teach cultural language to children aged 4-16 • To become a hub for people of ethnic minority backgrounds to socialise and not feel isolated • To provide a service to the youth within ethnic minority groups where they will be able to preserve their culture through language but at the same time be able to integrate with the wider community. 		
<p>Greek School of St George</p>	<p>The Greek School of St George was founded in 1964 to teach Greek language, culture, music and dance to children and adults on Saturday mornings.</p> <p>The grant request is for £3,000 to contribute towards the running costs of the school including teachers' salaries, rent, utilities, equipment, stationery and other expenses.</p> <p>Outcomes:</p>	<p>2014/15 EN and NI £1,500</p>	<p>The School continues to promote Greek language but there is little evidence provided of shared cultural events and links with Global Arts Kingston (as advised in 2014/15). The Council is no longer able to continue to fund non-English community language teaching and any future grant support is likely to focus on inclusive community activities.</p> <p>The Greek School of St George is encouraged to continue to seek funding from other sources. A reduced grant is recommended to support this</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Success of pupils in GCSE and A Level examinations. 		<p>transition.</p> <p>Recommendation: A grant of £450</p>
<p>Kingston, Surbiton and District Cheder</p>	<p>Kingston, Surbiton and District Cheder was formed in 1957 and currently has 25 children and young people up to the age of 18. The Cheder provides education in Jewish studies and offers activities for children of all ages from a drop-in centre for parents with babies and toddlers to young people aged 15-18 learning leadership skills.</p> <p>The grant request is for £3,000 to help cover the cost of premises, utilities, staffing, educational trips, books and other resources including educational software.</p> <p>Outcomes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Promotion of learning, tolerance and integration in the community Participation in multi-faith events Promotion of inclusion and community cohesion. 	<p>2014/15 EN and NI £1,500</p>	<p>The Kingston, Surbiton and District Cheder is involved in multi-faith events such as the Holocaust Memorial Day and inter-faith concerts and makes a significant contribution to community cohesion.</p> <p>However, the Council is no longer able to continue to fund non-English community language teaching and any future grant support is likely to focus on these kinds of inclusive community activities.</p> <p>The Cheder is encouraged to join the mailing list of the Council's Equalities and Community Engagement Team (ECET) to receive its monthly newsletter which includes details about community events and funding information.</p> <p>In the light of changes in the funding environment generally, it is important that the Cheder develops a funding strategy that takes account of these challenges.</p> <p>Recommendation: a grant of £900</p>
<p>Malayalam Arts and Sports Society</p>	<p>The Malayalam Arts and Sports Society was set up in 2009 to promote and advance education and the values of South Indian Malayalee Culture and Arts, to promote integration and community</p>	<p>n/a</p>	<p>The Malayalam Arts and Sports Society works with ECET, Global Arts Kingston and KREC and contributes to the planning and delivery of the Carnival. This is a new group working hard to</p>

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	<p>cohesion, provide language, cultural and music classes, as well as sports leisure and recreational activities.</p> <p>The grant request is for £2,937 to cover part of premises hire costs, tutors wages and to purchase sound equipment, to support their multi-cultural and musical events.</p> <p>Outcomes include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meet increased demand for language and culture classes • Self reliance in sound equipment • Greater opportunities to promote aims for integration and community cohesion. 		<p>engage the community and provides activities around Malayalam arts and culture which are not available in mainstream provision.</p> <p>These activities provide opportunities to signpost people to other services and the Society is committed to working with other agencies in the borough.</p> <p>The Group normally hires sound equipment for every event at a cost of £300. The purchase rather than hire of equipment would be more cost effective and the Group has the technical expertise within its members to operate and maintain the equipment.</p> <p>Recommendation: A grant of £900</p>
Total Community Languages Bid	£11,937	Total recommended	£2,250
ENVIRONMENTAL			
Kingston Environment Centre	<p>Kingston Environment Centre, formed in 2012, is a not-for-profit company limited by guarantee. It is in the process of applying for registered charity status.</p> <p>The grant request is for £1,800 for the installation of a security gate at Tolworth Medieval Manor to</p>	2015/16 CIF £15,000	<p>RBK owns the freehold for this site and if gates are in place, this will open up the land for public use, providing a local green amenity and a revitalised area in terms of grassland and flora and fauna.</p> <p>The Green Spaces Service Manager is supportive of the application, particularly since the Lower Mole</p>

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	<p>include the removal of vegetation, the removal of a bund and the installation of the gate.</p> <p>Outcomes include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cattle able to graze on the site • Grassland sward improved • Increase in grassland flora and butterfly numbers • Easier access for land management • Freed up costs of mowing. 		<p>Project Group is involved in doing the work and has a good track record of delivery.</p> <p>A question was raised about how this fits with the potential development of a Country Park on this site and whether this proposal should be part of the bigger development. However, the addition of gates at this point would enable the site to be opened up immediately whereas the potential for a Country Park is still some way in the future.</p> <p>In the light of this a grant is recommended to bring this site to valuable public use.</p> <p>Recommendation: A grant of £1,620</p>
<p>Kingston Environment Centre (Hogsmill Community Garden)</p>	<p>Kingston Environment Centre (KEC), formed in 2012, is a not-for-profit company limited by guarantee. It is in the process of applying for registered charity status. The Hogsmill Community Garden is a project of the Environment Centre and aims to create a garden for the local community and promote environmental awareness and knowledge of the natural world.</p> <p>The grant request is for £3,000 to provide walling, a poly tunnel, seating, site preparation and a pond liner.</p>	<p>2015/16 CIF £15,000</p> <p>2015/16 KT Nbhd £750</p>	<p>Although this project aligns with the Green Spaces Strategy, there are concerns about the Hogsmill Community Garden's capacity to run this project. It needs to develop greater capacity and needs more volunteers. An application to Kingston Town Neighbourhood Committee has recently been agreed which should provide some start up funding.</p> <p>Kingston Environment Centre and the Hogsmill Community Garden Project is encouraged to seek advice and support from Kingston Voluntary Action and Go Kingston Volunteering.</p>

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	<p>Outcomes include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provision of an open green educational space for the community, disabled people, schools and the university to enjoy • Pond, raised beds, paths, seating, poly tunnel • Raising of plans from seed and wild life area. 		<p>Recommendation: No grant</p>
<p>Kingston Permaculture Reserve</p>	<p>Kingston Permaculture Reserve is an unincorporated association originally set up in 1992 but re-formed in 2005. Its main aim is to manage in line with permaculture principles (growing food sustainably and with low resources) and its activities take place at their site at Tolworth Allotments.</p> <p>The grant request is for £3,000 to provide 300 summer holiday activity days for school children.</p>	<p>n/a</p>	<p>Although this a good site and interesting work is going on, there are concerns with issues over the lease and even more importantly, concerns over the safety and practicality of the site to accommodate large numbers of children.</p> <p>There is very little information in the application about what activities will be available, who will be running them and what outcomes they will achieve.</p> <p>In addition, schools in Kingston do a lot of gardening work with children.</p> <p>Recommendation: No grant</p>
<p>River Thames Boat Project</p>	<p>The River Thames Boat Project is a registered charity set up in 1988. They provide accessible days and residential trips and educational activities on board their specially adapted and accessible barge, the Richmond Venturer, including activities relating to the environment. Their users are mainly school children and</p>	<p>2014/15 EN and NI £1,500</p>	<p>Over the years the River Thames Boat Project has been successful in providing a high quality and memorable river experience for its users and is always adapting its offer to meet new challenges.</p> <p>This new project demonstrates a development of the service provided and offers an opportunity for</p>

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	<p>vulnerable and/or socially isolated members of the local community including people with mental and physical disabilities and older people. The boat is based at the Barge Dock, Thames Side, Kingston but travels up and down the Thames between Windsor and Putney.</p> <p>The grant requested is £3,000 towards their Eco Venturers programme (formerly called "One Planet Living") which will enable up to 100 local people to take part in a worldwide citizen science project run by the EarthWatch Institute, that aims to better manage and protect freshwater quality.</p> <p>Outcomes include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increased understanding of local freshwater ecosystems • Contribution to a global citizen science project • Increased interest and knowledge about science • Opportunities for residents to engage in recreational, educational and social activities. 		<p>residents to engage with a world-wide project on monitoring water quality and offers them a chance to reach out to the wider global community and see their contribution to the bigger picture.</p> <p>The River Thames Boat Project has a good track record of engaging users and this project contributes to objectives in the Kingston Plan including Objective 3: Protect and improve the quality of our local environment, Objective 9: Support people to be independent and Objective 10: Encourage people to take an active part in the social and cultural life of the community.</p> <p>The boat may need to find a new mooring when the Gloriana comes to Kingston.</p> <p>Recommendation: A grant of £1,300</p>
<p>South West London Environment Network</p>	<p>The South West London Environment Network (SWLEN) became a registered charity in 2012. It was previously known as Richmond Environment Network which was formed in 2004.</p>	<p>n/a</p>	<p>SWLEN has an excellent track record of work in Richmond in tackling fuel poverty and providing hands-on help to help residents understand what they can do to save energy.</p>

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	<p>The organisation's key activities include promoting energy saving for households and not-for-profit organisations by carrying out energy assessments, providing advice and holding events.</p> <p>The grant request is for £3,000 to work with Cambridge Road Estate Residents Association and the Malden Manor Community Project to promote the benefits of saving energy, and to carry out 40 home energy checks between October 2015 and April 2016.</p> <p>Outcomes include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Residents become more aware of the potential to save energy costs • Individual homes will save on energy costs and CO₂ emissions • Homes will be warmer. 		<p>As an independent organisation, SWLEN does work that the energy companies do not do and works closely with residents, including encouraging Energy Champions in Cambridge Road and Malden Manor. SWLEN needs to work with Public Health and 'Thinking Minds' to make sure that there is no duplication in what they are doing. It would also be useful to contact TransitionTown Kingston, who did some similar work last year.</p> <p>Recommendation: A grant of £1,800</p>
Total Environmental Bid	£13,800	Total recommended	£4,720
<i>VCS INFRASTRUCTURE SUPPORT</i>			
Voluntary and Community Sector Strategic	Kingston Voluntary Action (KVA) chairs the network of local Voluntary and Community Sector (VCS) Strategic Partners. KVA is the umbrella	n/a	This application relates to KVA acting as co-ordinator/facilitator for the engagement of VCS organisations in themed events focusing on

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Partners under the umbrella of Kingston Voluntary Action	<p>organisation supporting the whole of the VCS in Kingston, providing advice, guidance and training on a wide range of issues.</p> <p>The grant request is for £3,000 to stimulate the co-ordination and promotion of activities for different themed 'festivals/events' to include the cost of venue hire, publicity and volunteer expenses working through the VCS sub-sector leads, eg for older people, carers, BME groups, etc. These themed events raise awareness of VCS provision in Kingston and encourage people to be involved.</p> <p>Outcomes include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improved overall health and reduced health inequalities • People supported to be independent • People encouraged to take an active part in the social and cultural life of the community. 		<p>different dedicated weeks, eg Mental Health, Later Life, etc.</p> <p>Feedback from the Enjoying Later Life Festival showed that there was an interest in these 'festival' themed events delivered at different times of the year.</p> <p>The success of these events depends on co-ordinating and publicising existing activities rather than developing new ones. KVA, as the VCS Strategic Partner for infrastructure, will work with the relevant other Strategic Leads and Council officers to support the planning and delivery of these festival events.</p> <p>Recommendation: A grant of £2,700</p>
Total Infrastructure Support Bid	£3,000	Total recommended	£2,700
PLAY			
Chessington Kids Club	Chessington Kids Club was formed in 1992 and operates from Castle Hill Primary School. The	2014/15 EN and NI	Chessington Kids Club (Holiday Club Play Scheme) offers quality childcare provision in a safe

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	<p>group runs a term time breakfast club, after school club and a holiday club play scheme which runs during Easter and summer holidays. A range of activities for children aged 4-11 are offered to meet all of the children's individual needs. Children with learning difficulties, behavioural problems and any other special needs are encouraged to participate and integrate with all children.</p> <p>The majority of children that attend the play schemes come from local disadvantaged areas, low income backgrounds and single parent families. There are a total of 50 children who use the after school club and between 22 and 29 children who access the play schemes each day.</p> <p>A grant of £1,905 is requested to help fund 2-3 Support Workers for the Holiday Club play schemes, so that children with special needs including disabilities, challenging behaviour and various forms of autism, can be offered places. Chessington Kids Club will fund the balance of cost and extra workers as needed.</p> <p>Outcomes include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More children with extra support needs can attend • Children will develop skills and interact socially with able bodied children 	£1,800	<p>and caring environment and provides respite care during the school holidays for parents/carers and the Service Area Officer supports the application.</p> <p>This is a good play scheme that integrates children with disabilities and also includes many children from low income households. There is a high demand for places and many children return on a regular basis.</p> <p>Positive verbal and written feedback is received from parents, carers and children that attend the play schemes. Ofsted rates the organisation as 'good' with good safeguarding arrangements and well-trained staff.</p> <p>There is evidence that extra support workers are needed as there is increased demand from parents and carers who are seeking respite care during the school holidays. The Support Workers provide the necessary stability, skills and extra support to enable the children who have special needs to develop at their own pace whilst attaining their individual aims.</p> <p>The organisation works closely with the Early Years Service and are an active member of the Kingston out of school network and participate in Kingston Summer Splash Programme offering places for social services referred children and vulnerable</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support works have the necessary skills to enable children to attain their individual aims. 		<p>children.</p> <p>The scheme's reserves remain at a very modest level and a grant is recommended to cover the cost of support workers for the play scheme enabling them to offer places to children from Kingston with disabilities and other special needs.</p> <p>Receiving the grant will mean that children with extra needs will be able to access the play schemes. They will benefit by being given the opportunity to develop skills, particularly interacting socially with able bodied children and how to express their own individual needs. The support workers provide the necessary stability and skills to enable children to attain their individual aims. If this grant were not available, the Club could perhaps apply for other funds such as 'Aiming High' which is targeted at disabled children.</p> <p>Recommendation: A grant of £1,620</p>
Total Play Bid	£1,905	Total recommended	£1,620
SOCIAL WELFARE – ADULTS			
Addiction Support and Care Agency (ASCA)	Addiction Support and Care Agency (ASCA) is a registered charity and company limited by guarantee, established in 1990. ASCA aims to	2014/15 EN and NI £2,000	ASCA provides a range of valuable support to people who suffer as a result of the misuse of alcohol and other substances and also provides

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	<p>support those who misuse alcohol and drugs, their partners, relatives and friends through the provision of counselling, group work, assessment, advice and information services. Some of their specialist services include a young person's outreach alcohol project, probation partnership alcohol project and carers' support service.</p> <p>ASCA's head office is in Richmond but it also operates from an office in Ditton Road, Surbiton. The charity works closely with the Kingston Drug and Alcohol Team, CMHT, Social Services, Kaleidoscope and the Probation Service.</p> <p>A grant of £2,413 is requested towards the cost of extending their operational hours to Thursday evenings for those with an alcohol and/or drug misuse problem and their carers and family members. This would include advice and information, assessments and one-to-one counselling.</p> <p>Expected outcomes are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increased engagement with more people • Provision of more 'out of hours' appointments • Alleviate the waiting list • Provide quick access to assessment and counselling 	<p>2015/16 CIF £5,000</p> <p>2015/16 Strategic Partners £5,000</p>	<p>preventative services. ASCA works in a genuinely strategic way with close links to RBK, particularly through the SPAD (Drug and Alcohol Team) and with Kingston schools and with the Community Wellbeing Service.</p> <p>This service, run by ASCA, fills a specific gap not addressed by other addiction services: the families and carers of addicts are commonly overlooked, especially as the carers themselves often do not see themselves as carers.</p> <p>ASCA has already increased its services to run on Saturday mornings but these sessions are now over-subscribed as are the existing evening services.</p> <p>Extension of the service to Thursday evenings will offer access to those who cannot access sessions in the day, which is particularly helpful for those who are maintaining employment or those who are seeking work and have to attend appointments during the day.</p> <p>Recommendation: A grant of £1,300</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meet the demand on current evening slots. 		
Aurora Health Foundation	<p>Aurora Health Foundation is a registered charity and company limited by guarantee that provides specialist therapeutic services for adults abused in childhood, which can have a long lasting detrimental effect on their health and emotional wellbeing. The organisation is based in Kingston Vale and has 45 users aged 18-65, a third of which come from Kingston.</p> <p>Aurora's services include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Counselling Complementary therapies Group support Training and support services to other healthcare agencies to help build their capacity to work effectively with victims. <p>Evidence-based research studies have shown the need for the service, eg by NSPCC; Aurora has also conducted locally based research that shows over 70% of victims are referred to the voluntary sector.</p> <p>The grant request is for £3,000 to contribute to essential overheads including rent to increase the</p>	2014/15 EN and NI £2,500	<p>Aurora Health Foundation provides a specialist service for a group at high risk of mental health problems. Research evidence suggests that tackling sexual abuse is a national priority and various government reports highlight the degree of unmet need in this area and the long-lasting harm that the experience of child sexual abuse can have on adult survivors.</p> <p>Aurora is intending to increase its capacity to be able to deal with more clients (75 as opposed to the current 50 – a third of whom come from Kingston).</p> <p>Kingston Wellbeing Service is somewhat reluctant to make formal referrals to Aurora and there are concerns about the cost of the service (though it does offer concessions) as well as the use of trainee counsellors as supervisors. The charity is an organisational member of the British Association for Counselling and Psychotherapy and the Survivors' Trust.</p> <p>However, there is a need to increase peer support locally for vulnerable groups so it is recommended that a grant of £1,300 is awarded, towards the group support services provided by Aurora.</p> <p>It is also recommended that the Aurora Health</p>

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	<p>capacity from approximately 50 to 70 survivors of childhood abuse.</p> <p>This is expected to contribute to the following outcomes for their clients:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reduced risk of self harm and suicidal thoughts • Reduced depression, stress, anxiety, panic attacks, etc. • Increased optimism and self-coping skills regarding flashbacks and panic attacks • Increased well-being, confidence and social integration • Employment/occupational/educational prospects • Increased trust in others. 		<p>Foundation continues to work with RBK/NHS Mental Health Services, particularly in the changing funding environment, to decide on jointly agreed outcome measures and with Kingston Voluntary Action in terms of capacity building.</p> <p>Recommendation: A grant of £1,300</p>
<p>Centre for Community Development</p>	<p>The Centre for Community Development (CCD) is a humanitarian organisation committed to supporting poor and disadvantaged people and marginalised communities. Although the main focus is the Tamil community, it partners with other communities in Kingston working with ethnic minorities. Its main activities include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Elders Empowerment Programme • Tamil Women Development Forum 	<p>2014/15 EN and NI £1,500</p> <p>2014/15 KT Nbhd £750</p>	<p>The Centre for Community Development has good reach into the Tamil community and works closely with the Council's ECET, who are supportive of the application. Their Elders Empowerment Programme provides a wide range of activities and was highlighted as a good example in the Annual Public Health Report for Kingston in 2013 which focused on older people.</p> <p>The organisation reports an increased need for its</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Healthy Mind Project. <p>The grant request is for £3,000 to contribute to the Elders Empowerment Programme to meet growing needs. Their activities include a drop-in, physical fitness activities, cognitive training, computer skills, home visits and befriending.</p> <p>Outcomes include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increased self confidence • Promotion of self care and healthy lifestyle choices • Reducing isolation • Improved mental and physical wellbeing • Encouraging different communities to work together. 		<p>services and is planning to extend the hours of the drop-in service and physical fitness sessions as well as developing new activities as requested by users. These include additional trips/outings using RaKAT for house-bound members as well as organising home visits to those identified by members of the community and Adult Social Care.</p> <p>Recommendation: A grant of £900</p>
Fastminds	<p>Fastminds was formed in 2013 and aims to provide support for adults with Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD) whether they are diagnosed or not, in order to improve their quality of life and improve understanding of the challenges presented by ADHD in the wider community.</p> <p>Fastminds meets weekly at Queen Mary's Hall, Cambridge Gardens and twice a month on Friday</p>	2014/15 KT Nbhd £750	<p>Fastminds provides a valuable service to local adult residents living with ADHD – not only have the numbers doubled but they are also receiving increasing referrals from other organisations such as ADDISS (the National Attention Deficit Disorder Information and Support Service) and MIND.</p> <p>It is estimated that between three and four percent of the adult population suffers from ADHD. Using figures from the 2011 census this would equate to</p>

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	<p>evenings at the New Malden Baptist Church. The membership has doubled in the past 12 months from 12 to 25, seven of who come from outside the borough.</p> <p>The grant request is for £3,000 towards providing outreach support, advice and information as well as offering the opportunity to engage in creative projects such as the 'Smile for Health' Project.</p> <p>Outcomes include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improved self-awareness, communication and acceptance of ADHD and its impact • Improved understanding of the strategies to help people manage the condition • Reduced isolation through peer support • Support to engage with medical profession if undiagnosed to access an assessment. 		<p>approximately 3,750 – 5,000 adults living with the condition in RBK. This suggests that demand for the services provided by Fastminds (currently the only organisation in the borough) will continue to increase.</p> <p>Fastminds is encouraged to continue to work with local commissioners and other service providers in the context of the changing funding environment.</p> <p>Recommendation: A grant of £1,300</p>
Fircroft Trust	<p>The Fircroft Trust is a registered charity working in Kingston with adults living in the community with moderate to severe mental health problems and/or learning disabilities. The service includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A Resource Centre for over 90 adults living in the community • Residential care for 8 adults with complex needs and Supported Living for 15 tenants at 	<p>2015/16 CIF £7,000</p> <p>2015/16 Strategic Partners £6,000</p>	<p>The Fircroft Trust is the only centre based service provider in Kingston for people with both learning difficulties and mental health problems. This is particularly useful for people coming out of hospital and for those who find it difficult being out in the community. The services the Trust provides are well established but also continually evolve to meet users' needs.</p>

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	<p>Firs Court in Chessington.</p> <p>The Fircroft Trust is also the Voluntary Sector Strategic Lead for mental health.</p> <p>The grant request is for £3,000 to provide sessional staff to relieve the increasing demands on staff time due to increasing numbers of people with complex mental health problems requiring support in the community. This would enable more people to receive help, particularly those with a need for one-to-one support.</p>		<p>Fircroft's main RBK funding is for residential services and they have to work hard to raise funds for activities for their day users. Mental health support in the community is a priority and it is valuable to increase and extend positive activities for people, in line with the Active and Supportive Communities Strategy being implemented by Adult Social Care.</p> <p>Fircroft is encouraged to continue to work with local commissioners in the light of the changing funding environment.</p> <p>Recommendation: A grant of £900</p>
<p>Independent Yemen Development Ltd managing MENA Women Project</p>	<p>Independent Yemen Development Ltd is a company limited by guarantee set up in 2012.</p> <p>Activities include women-only exercise classes, sewing, outings, coffee mornings, provision of healthcare information and support for finding employment. The group aims to link women from minority ethnic groups, in particular from the Middle East and North Africa and Asia, with local services and to reduce the isolation they often experience due to language and cultural barriers.</p> <p>The grant request is for £2,229 to help get this new group's activities started and, on the basis of its uptake, to assess its viability and the value of</p>	<p>n/a</p>	<p>The organisation's activities take place at the Milaap Centre for women from minority ethnic groups, in particular from the Middle East and North Africa. They work closely with ECET who are supportive of their work to reduce isolation, particularly for women, and to be able to work with them to address their health and wellbeing needs.</p> <p>Independent Yemen Development Ltd's work fits well with the Refugee and Migrant Strategy and Public Health priorities to reduce social isolation and improve health and wellbeing amongst socially excluded and disadvantaged groups, who have particular needs in relation to mental health, English language, housing, employment and</p>

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	<p>the service it provides.</p> <p>Outcomes include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reducing isolation • Improving wellbeing, confidence and self esteem. 		<p>access to services and information.</p> <p>Recommendation: A grant of £900</p>
<p>Kingston Pensioners' Forum</p>	<p>Kingston Pensioners' Forum is a consultative and social forum for older people in Kingston which was set up in 1994 and forms part of the Greater London Forum for Older People. Its role is to debate needs and concerns on local and national issues to feed in to local and national activities, as well as to provide social activities for its members. Kingston Pensioners' Forum holds monthly meetings at the URC and organises occasional trips and regular special events.</p> <p>A grant of £1,000 is requested towards running costs and hall hire for the monthly meetings and other activities of the Forum and to promote its activities to new members.</p> <p>The Forum provides a focus for older people to reduce isolation and enables them to get their voices heard in shaping services and influencing local plans.</p>	<p>2014/15 EN and NI £1,000</p>	<p>The Kingston Pensioners' Forum is an important organisation for older residents of Kingston. Its meetings have regularly attracted around 50 people and these numbers are increasing. The meetings not only provide a social function but also serve to inform older people about issues that affect them with speakers invited from local statutory and voluntary organisations.</p> <p>The Pensioners' Forum is an important group for consultation and engagement but it is encouraged to continue to extend its membership amongst BME communities and to consider joint working/ joint events with other groups/communities.</p> <p>The organisation provides a good network of support as well as being a valuable source of information and a forum for debate. The Forum works collaboratively with other organisations in the borough and has extended its membership to ethnic minority groups through its links with KCIL, Kingston CAB and other agencies.</p>

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			Recommendation: A grant of £900
Learn English at Home	<p>Learn English at Home (LEAH) is a registered charity formed in 1996. LEAH recruits and trains volunteer tutors to give English lessons to residents from ethnic minority communities who for cultural, domestic or other reasons are unable to attend outside classes.</p> <p>The organisation works with over 500 people with low levels of English offering services such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One to one English tuition • Group conversation classes • Fitness classes • Outings and social activities • Information about local services. <p>The grant request for £2,997 is to support the piloting of a functional literacy class, based in two primary schools in Kingston to focus on reading and writing skills.</p> <p>Outcomes include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improved communication between parents and their children's schools 	2015/16 CIF £18,000	<p>LEAH has an excellent track record as a provider of English teaching, particularly for isolated and disadvantaged groups.</p> <p>These classes would be run by LEAH volunteers, who are trained to teach ESOL and they would take place when the parents are dropping off their children at school in the morning. A crèche would be provided for adults with young children.</p> <p>As a pilot this would enable LEAH to refine their offer to schools, which could then potentially be funded through the schools. Enabling parents to engage with their children's schools can have a significant impact on their children's achievements.</p> <p>Recommendation: A grant of £900</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Parents better able to complete forms and reply slips, read letters and reports and help children with written work. 		
Recovery Initiative Social Enterprise (RISE)	<p>Recovery Initiative Social Enterprise (RISE) was formed in 2011 and is a user-led social enterprise delivered by individuals who have experienced substance misuse, addiction and mental health problems.</p> <p>The organisation has developed its range of activities to include walking, peer support, wellbeing workshops, women's peer support, arts and crafts, drama therapy, photography, music, poetry and a Community Cafe.</p> <p>The grant request is for £2,997 to support RISE Unite which is intended to promote the integration of Kingston's Polish community. The grant is requested to contribute to venue hire, refreshments and overheads for engagement events at the Community Cafe.</p> <p>Outcomes include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Improve the life of vulnerable people from the Polish community in Kingston Reducing isolation Improve access to information, advice and 	2015/16 CIF £4,000	<p>Anecdotal evidence suggests that the Polish community is having difficulty in integrating and accessing local services.</p> <p>In the 2011 Census 1,919 residents had Polish as their first language and ECET agrees there is a need for support for this community, as referenced in the Refugee and Migrant Strategy.</p> <p>However, there are some concerns about the extent of RISE's diversification and capacity.</p> <p>Whilst it is important to be responsive to new needs, it is also vital to recognise the importance of signposting to existing services.</p> <p>RISE is encouraged to continue to work with KVA on developing its business strategy.</p> <p>Recommendation: A grant of £900</p>

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	services.		
Recovery Initiative Social Enterprise (RISE)	<p>Recovery Initiative Social Enterprise (RISE) was formed in 2011 and is a user-led social enterprise delivered by individuals who have experienced substance misuse, addiction and mental health problems.</p> <p>The organisation has developed its range of activities to include walking, peer support, wellbeing workshops, women's peer support, arts and crafts, drama therapy, photography, music, poetry and a Community Cafe.</p> <p>This grant request is for £2,933 to support a project called Community Access to Education (CAte) designed to address the essential life skill needs of people over 18 in Kingston, who are poor, marginalised, socially isolated or excluded and who may have poor wellbeing.</p> <p>The work has focused on Alpha Road, Surbiton and Norbiton and concentrates on basic skills such as confidence, language and wellbeing.</p> <p>Outcomes include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Providing opportunities for people to achieve their potential and improve their quality of life • Individuals taking responsibility for themselves 	2015/16 CIF £4,000	<p>This is RISE's second application focusing on marginalised and socially excluded people (18+) including students. The intention is to run five community projects comprising Arts and Crafts, Learning English, Environmental Activities, Access to Creativity and Holistic Personal Development. These will take place once a week over 33 weeks and it is estimated that they will reach 75 people.</p> <p>However, because of budget constraints and concerns about whether RISE is over-stretching itself, it is only possible to fund one of their applications.</p> <p>In the light of this and the greater priority of the needs of the Polish community, no grant is recommended.</p> <p>Recommendation: No grant</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tackling health inequalities. 		
Roundabout	<p>Roundabout is a registered charity that provides a drama therapy service that is accessible to everyone in the community. Roundabout Drama Therapy provides psychological, educational and artistic benefits to a wide range of disadvantaged people throughout Greater London.</p> <p>The grant request is for £2,961 to fund one of the drama therapists to work with residents of Amy Woodgate Residential Care Home. Drama therapy allows people to explore their imaginations and use their social skills to communicate and can help people with dementia to reduce anxiety and depression and increase confidence.</p> <p>Outcomes include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increased ability to express and explore feelings Improved social interaction skills Increased capacity to deal with anxiety. 	n/a	<p>Roundabout is the largest charity of its kind and the only organisation in the UK to offer tailor-made professionally facilitated drama therapy sessions to such a wide range of clients, including nurseries, schools, day centres and residential settings.</p> <p>Dementia is a growing and difficult issue and new approaches to helping people cope are to be welcomed.</p> <p>Discussions with Amy Woodgate staff have revealed that this has proved to be a worthwhile, valued experience by the residents, but Amy Woodgate is unable to provide the drama therapy sessions from its own resources.</p> <p>It is recommended that Roundabout be referred for a Neighbourhood Grant and that links be made with the Adult Social Care Services to support this initiative.</p> <p>Recommendation: No grant</p>
Saheli	Saheli was established in 1989 to provide social and cultural activities and provide on-going support for isolated, vulnerable and lonely women, mainly from the Asian community. Its	2014/15 EN and NI £500	Saheli provides a safe environment where members have the freedom to express themselves. The organisation is adapting to the changing environment by providing support for digital

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	<p>activities include lectures by clinicians, dieticians and health specialists as well as cultural events, computer classes and mobile phone training for the elderly.</p> <p>The grant request is for £3,000 to support creativity workshops to provide women and children with the opportunity to engage in recreational, educational and social activities, thus contributing to their quality of life.</p> <p>Outcomes include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Members will adopt a healthy lifestyle • Members gain confidence and are encouraged to take part in social and cultural events • Members will have a better understanding of technology • Members will become more independent. 		<p>developments. Saheli has been making more effort to raise funds through charging for coach trips and events as well as through membership fees.</p> <p>It is even more important, given the changing funding environment, that Saheli continues to seek advice and support from Kingston Voluntary Action on building its capacity and potentially finding other sources of funding.</p> <p>Recommendation: A grant of £450</p>
Total Social Welfare – Adults Bid	£32,530	Total recommended:	£9,750
<i>SOCIAL WELFARE – ADVICE AND INFORMATION</i>			
African Positive Outlook	African Positive Outlook (APO) was established in 1999 and is a registered charity. It was founded as a community response to the health and social	2014/15 EN and NI £1,500	APO has worked in partnership with a range of agencies over a number of years and many of the people who use APO's services are on low

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	<p>care needs of people from the African community.</p> <p>The organisation supports approximately 350 per annum and it is based in Kingston Town Centre but also operates at venues around the borough. Its main activities include, mental health awareness, drug and substance misuse including Khat prevention advice, sexual and reproductive health awareness, care skills training and a drop in service.</p> <p>The grant request is for £3,000 to enable APO, working with the Kingston Somali Community Association, to engage a part-time project worker to address issues emerging from the Social Welfare reforms by providing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One to one and group advice sessions • Help with access to on-line support • Support for job or training search. <p>Outcomes include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Better understanding of welfare reforms for 60 residents from local African and other BME communities • Access to courses and help with schemes such as Debt Relief Orders, the Lodgers Scheme and the Rent Deposit Scheme 	<p>2015/16 CIF £10,500</p>	<p>incomes and have relatively poor English language skills and often have health related issues.</p> <p>This project builds on work previously undertaken. Evidence suggests that members of the Somali community still have a poor understanding of the welfare reforms and may be ill prepared for the impact and may be reluctant to seek advice from KCABs and KCIL.</p> <p>APO has committed to invite a representative from KCABs to its group sessions and refer people on to them and other agencies as required.</p> <p>However, although it is recognised that members of the Somali community are more likely to seek information and advice from people who can speak their language, it is also important that the different agencies work together more closely to find out how the barriers to access can be reduced rather than create separate services for different communities.</p> <p>Welfare Reform is complex in terms of legislation and process and setting up a new service would be very demanding.</p> <p>In the light of this, and pressures on the budget, it is recommended that no grant is awarded to APO and that the Somali community should be</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Improved money management skills and employment skills. 		<p>signposted to kiaa and KCABs through the Kingston Somali Community Association. (see below)</p> <p>Recommendation: No grant</p>
<p>Kingston Somali Community Association</p>	<p>Kingston Somali Community Association (KSCA) is a registered charity which was formed in 2006. It was registered as a company limited by guarantee in 2008. KSCA provides educational, youth, care and support services for residents of the Royal Borough of Kingston. Services are currently provided by volunteers who see clients by appointment at the Richard Mayo Centre in Kingston and also at Queen Mary's Hall in Cambridge Gardens.</p> <p>The work currently carried out by KSCA focuses on delivering a range of services mainly for refugees, migrants and ethnic minorities, particularly for Kingston's Somali Community and those at risk of domestic violence or crime, to help them integrate into the broader community.</p> <p>KSCA's services include educational support for young people, training, interpreting and translation, advice, workshops on a range of topics including healthy eating, ICT, citizenship classes and dementia awareness, as well as sports and social events and trips.</p>	<p>2014/15 EN and NI £2,000</p>	<p>KSCA is the only voluntary agency that exclusively provides services for the Kingston Somali Community. It strives to meet individual and family needs whilst tackling social isolation by inculcating British culture and way of life. The focus is on helping users to acquire skills, access mainstream services and help them to integrate themselves into local communities by forming constructive social relations.</p> <p>KSCA's services are accessed by approximately 300 users which, according to a survey carried out by KSCA, covers most of the people of Somali living in Kingston, many of whom live in social housing.</p> <p>Through supporting and signposting clients to specialist services KSCA will help them to improve their quality of life. KSCA recognises the importance of working with other agencies as part of Kingston Information and Advice Alliance (kiaa) and the CAB.</p> <p>KSCA is also applying for other funding streams</p>

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	<p>A grant of £2,841 is requested towards core costs and the provision of an information, advice and guidance (IAG) service to the Somali Community in Kingston.</p> <p>KSCA provides signposting to other services and helps refugees and asylum seekers to access mainstream services.</p> <p>The key outcomes that will be achieved are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More people from the Somali community will be empowered to seek employment or employment training so they can get out of welfare dependency • More Somalis will access services such as education, training, health, housing and other essential services • More Somalis will play a more active role in the life of Kingston's community. 		<p>and has submitted a joint application with African Positive Outlook to BBC Children in Need. It is also recommended that KSCA seeks further support from Kingston Voluntary Action to help them to become more self sufficient and sustainable.</p> <p>In the light of budget constraints, a grant of £1,300 is recommended towards core costs and the delivery of an Information and Advice Service.</p> <p>Recommendation: A grant of £1,300</p>
Theatre for All	<p>Theatre for All is a registered charity formed in 2007. It is a theatre company that promotes community arts, including an arts festival in New Malden and various other projects including concerts, performances, seminars and workshops.</p> <p>Theatre for All has now set up and is running a</p>	2015/16 CIF £5,000	<p>This is a new venture for Theatre for All and has been developed following responses from businesses in the Korean Community to a Metropolitan Police Service questionnaire asking what they wanted from the Police Service. Information is provided on a wide range of issues from driving and the Highway Code to reporting domestic violence and immigration queries –</p>

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	<p>new Korean Information Centre (KIC) which is the subject of this application.</p> <p>The grant request is for £3,000 towards the running costs of a Korean Information Centre, which has been running since February. The grant would go towards staff fees, promotional products and the training of volunteers. This is intended to be a one-stop centre for members of the Korean community to address civil concerns and promote integration and community cohesion.</p> <p>The Centre will also provide English lessons to support those who cannot speak English.</p>		<p>Theatre for All says that it has asked Refugee Action Kingston to provide this.</p> <p>As a new provider of information (rather than advice), Theatre for All has made contact with other local organisations so that it can signpost people with specialist enquiries to them. This aspect of quality assurance is vital and it is recommended that Theatre for All joins the Kingston Information and Advice Alliance (kiaa) so that it is part of the network of information and advice providers in the borough.</p> <p>However, there are concerns that this is not core business for Theatre for All and may be potential duplication – it is important that Theatre for All works with existing advice and information agencies rather than setting up another service.</p> <p>Recommendation: No grant</p>
Total Social Welfare – Advice and Information Bid	£8,841	Total recommended:	£1,300
<i>SOCIAL WELFARE – CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE</i>			
Kingston Carers' Network	Kingston Carers' Network (KCN) is a registered charity formed in 1992. The organisation provides a range of independent advice and	2015/16 CIF £25,000	KCN works with a range of statutory and voluntary organisations and has developed their services to meet the vision and outcomes of the National

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	<p>support to adult and young carers of people in Kingston with illnesses and disabilities, aiming to reduce social isolation and promote their involvement in the development of local services.</p> <p>The grant request of £2,510 is to take 60 young carers (age 8-11 and age 12+) to Three Peaks Outdoor Pursuit Centre near Farnham in Surrey. The activity programme on the two days includes ropes, survival techniques, life saving and team building.</p> <p>Outcomes include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Building positive relationships • Developing confidence and self esteem • Increasing peer support • Providing a break from caring responsibilities 	<p>2015/16 Strategic Partners £6,000</p>	<p>Carers' Strategy. They are the only organisation dedicated to carers' wellbeing in the borough.</p> <p>Young carers are particularly vulnerable and KCN has always worked hard to support them so that they have a life outside caring. Young carers are always involved in the design and delivery of activities and services.</p> <p>These activities focus on building confidence and resilience for young carers which are important components of their ability to cope with their caring responsibilities. Service area officers are supportive of this approach and would encourage KCN to evaluate the activity as part of the evidence base for their work.</p> <p>Recommendation: a grant of £1,300</p>
<p>Refugee Action Kingston</p>	<p>Refugee Action Kingston (RAK) is a registered charity providing a range of services in Kingston including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advice and Information • Learning Centre • Healthy and Active Living • Counselling support • Young People's Project and Summer Play Scheme 	<p>2014/15 EN and NI £1,500</p> <p>2015/16 CIF £45,000</p>	<p>This is a popular service which has outgrown its origins as part of RAK's Time Bank and there is good evidence to suggest that this kind of homework club makes a significant contribution to the wellbeing of the children and young people involved.</p> <p>The development of the RAK Homework Club and, in particular, its element of getting refugee children and non-refugee children together enables better understanding between children from different</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Time Bank • Promoting the rights of refugees and asylum seekers and networking with other agencies. <p>The grant request of £3,000 is to further develop the Homework Club that was started through RAK's Time Bank. The demand for this has grown and now needs a co-ordinator and a more suitable room. A homework club benefits vulnerable children whose parents often cannot help them with their homework.</p> <p>Outcomes include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Help to improve children's English • Increased achievement in other subjects including maths • Becoming more confident and settled in the local community. 		<p>cultures and encourages greater acceptance of the newcomers. By more local children engaging in the scheme, mutual awareness, support and exchanges will grow.</p> <p>Recommendation: A grant of £900</p>
Total Social Welfare – Children and Young People Bid	£5,510	Total recommended	£2,200
SPORT			
Quilombo UK (formerly Axe	Quilombo UK (formerly Axe Capoeira UK), is being set up as a not-for-profit organisation to	2014/15 EN and NI	Quilombo has been formed out of Axe Capoeira UK as a not-for-profit arm of its business. The

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Capoeira UK)	<p>bring people together to unite the community and create a shared set of values, promote mutual respect in the community and educate about race, diversity and equality, and to offer development opportunities to people from local communities.</p> <p>The grant request is for £3,000 to help Quilombo UK build stronger foundations to develop their work. In particular they are requesting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • £754 to offset the cost of four children undertaking their training • £600 towards the launch of Quilombo UK to raise the profile of the organisation • £1,684 for volunteer expenses, training and IT costs. <p>This is expected to contribute to the following outcomes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Greater awareness of the organisation and its activities • Children supported on their programmes. 	(as Axe Capoeira) £1,000	<p>organisation has now moved into Siddeley House in Canbury Park Road and is increasing its number of volunteers.</p> <p>It is still not clear whether this is a business or a charity and it is also unclear how this fits with the original Axe Capeoira.</p> <p>Although this organisation appears committed to working with the community there are concerns about funding individuals and a launch event. In the light of these issues and constraints on the budget no grant is recommended on this occasion. Quilombo UK is encouraged to work with the Sports Commissioning Manager for Active Kingston on how its work can align with local priorities.</p> <p>Recommendation: No grant</p>
Spartan Swimming Club for the Physically Disabled	<p>The Spartan Swimming Club is a registered charity that was established in 1954. It provides specialised swimming instruction and water enjoyment for physically disabled people regardless of age, race or type of physical disability. The club has 65 service users aged 14-</p>	2014/15 EN and NI £3,000	<p>The swimming sessions organised by Spartan Swimming Club provide a sociable and accessible sporting activity for local physically disabled people. This includes specialist assistance to disabled swimmers that is unavailable during mainstream swimming sessions.</p>

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	<p>80 of whom all but seven are residents of the borough. The Club meets every week at the Malden Centre Pool in New Malden.</p> <p>A grant of £3,000 is requested for the continuing use of the Malden Centre Pool for the Club's disabled swimmers.</p> <p>Outcomes include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • disabled people enabled to access mainstream community services • increased social integration between users and volunteers • increased wellbeing for disabled people • reduced isolation • increased independence • carers have a period of respite. 		<p>Pool use was given to Spartan Swimming Club for free until 1992 but since then it has been charged directly. The RBK grant used to cover the full cost of pool hire but since project grants were capped at £3,000 and pool hire costs increased, the grant has not covered the full costs.</p> <p>The work of the Spartan Swimming Club makes an important contribution to improving overall health and reducing health inequalities, supporting people to be independent and enabling people to take an active part in the social and cultural life of the community.</p> <p>The Club has adopted the child protection policy of the Halliwick Association of Swimming Therapy, which also covers vulnerable adults.</p> <p>A grant of £2,700 is recommended and, as mentioned in previous years, the Club will have to consider actively fundraising and/or increasing charges to meet the shortfall. It is recommended that it contacts Kingston Voluntary Action for help and support in seeking additional sources of funding, in the light of potential changes to the funding environment.</p> <p>Recommendation: A grant of £2,700</p>
Total Sport Bid	£6,000	Total	£2,700

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		recommended:	
TOURISM AND LEISURE			
Kingston Pound Community Association	<p>The Kingston Pound Community Association was founded in 2014 although the project started in 2012 to develop, establish and promote a local currency for use within the borough of Kingston. The Association is looking to establish itself as a Community Interest Company.</p> <p>The grant request for £2,000 is for funding for an Electronic Pilot in 2015. This would include £1,000 for the set up of text payment systems, £500 for shop window stickers and display and £500 for promotional leaflets to raise awareness about the Kingston Pound and the role it plays in supporting the local economy and community.</p>	n/a	<p>Establishing local currencies are intended to promote community spirit and wellbeing by keeping local spending truly local and so benefitting the local community and economy.</p> <p>The Association held a trial at the Surbiton Food Festival involving 139 people and 40 local businesses and now has 34 businesses signed up and willing to accept the Kingston Pound.</p> <p>However, there are concerns that this has too strong a business focus for this grant strand and The Kingston Pound Community Association is encouraged to seek funding from other sources, possibly through the Chamber of Commerce.</p> <p>Recommendation: No grant</p>
Kingston Race and Equalities Council (KREC)	Kingston Race and Equalities Council (KREC) is a registered charity formed in 1976. It promotes racial equality and diversity in the borough and works against racial discrimination. Events KREC organises include the Kingston Carnival and Bike Across Cultures. The charity is based at Neville House, Eden Street.	<p>2014/15 EN and NI £2,500</p> <p>2015/16 CIF £48,000</p> <p>2015/16</p>	The Kingston Carnival has been one of the biggest attractions on Kingston's annual calendar of events, offering the whole community the chance to take part in a fun, colourful spectacle and music both as participant and observer. The Carnival has continued to grow in recent years, in partnership with Global Arts – which posed security problems in 2014 so that the event did not take place.

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	<p>A grant of £3,000 is requested towards the cost of the Kingston Carnival 2015 and other equalities-related events including 'Bike Across Cultures', Black History Month, LGBT and Disability History Month events in 2015. The Carnival takes place in Kingston Town Centre in the summer and Bike Across Cultures takes place in Richmond Park.</p> <p>Outcomes include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promoting diversity, culture, inclusion, integration and mass participation through a celebratory festival • Encourage engagement particularly from young people • Run workshops and educate communities from diverse cultures • Promoting Kingston as a place to come and enjoy the cultural heritage. 	<p>Strategic Partners £6,000</p>	<p>There is a commitment to support the Carnival in 2015, so long as the necessary health, safety and security issues are resolved (in line with RBK requirements for an appropriate Risk Assessment prior to the event taking place).</p> <p>KREC works closely with RBK, the Police, Kingston University, Kingston College, Global Arts, KVA, Kingstonfirst and many of the borough's black and minority ethnic organisations.</p> <p>However, it is recognised that it is becoming more difficult for the Carnival to cover its costs and so KREC is exploring other funding opportunities for making this important event more sustainable.</p> <p>A grant of £2,250 is recommended to be used for the Carnival and KREC is encouraged to continue to work with KVA and other local groups to explore ways to sustain the Carnival in the longer term.</p> <p>Recommendation: A grant of £2,250</p>
<p>Kingston Tour Guides</p>	<p>Kingston Tour Guides was formed in 1991. They organise walking tours of Kingston and Surbiton town centres for individuals and groups/clubs. Talks and walks are delivered by volunteers. They have 19 volunteer guides and average around 1,000 users per year.</p>	<p>2014/15 EN and NI £1,600</p>	<p>This service was originally provided by RBK before being handed over to this group of well trained and dedicated volunteers who provide the service for a modest cost.</p> <p>Kingston Tour Guides are largely self-financing and, through a network of volunteers, inform</p>

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	<p>A grant of £1,900 is requested towards the cost of publicity in 2015/16. This includes the cost of advertising as well as the production of leaflets promoting the walks and talks to both individuals and groups and website maintenance.</p> <p>Outcomes include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increased awareness of Kingston's rich heritage • People taking an active part in the life of the community • Promotion of Kingston as a destination of choice. 		<p>residents and visitors alike of the rich history of the borough.</p> <p>Customer feedback, including from long term Kingston residents, identifies a lack of awareness about the availability of themed walks and highlights the need for continued publicity.</p> <p>Charges are £5 per person for regular Sunday walks with reductions for large groups and children under 12 going free. Meetings are open to all members. Walks are suitable for pushchairs and wheelchair users.</p> <p>Key partners include Friends of Kingston Museum and Heritage Service, Kingston upon Thames Society, Kingston First and RBK.</p> <p>A grant of £1,300 is recommended to continue to support the work of the Kingston Tour Guides and their volunteers.</p> <p>Recommendation: a grant of £1,300</p>
<p>Rotary Club of Kingston upon Thames (Dragon Boat Race)</p>	<p>The Rotary Club of Kingston is a registered charity, established in 1923, providing financial support and voluntary help to local charities, youth and voluntary organisations and residents in the borough. It organises events, such as the annual Dragon Boat Race on the River Thames.</p>	<p>2014/15 EN and NI £500</p>	<p>The Dragon Boat Race that takes place on the Thames each summer is now a well established annual event and an important part of the Council's Celebrate the River Festival. The event encourages people to visit the borough with approximately 800 people participating as well as</p>

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	<p>A grant of £1,250 is requested towards the cost of health and safety provision for the annual Dragon Boat Race. In particular, the grant will help pay for toilets, disabled facilities and first aid cover. The event will take place in the summer of 2015, as part of the Council's Celebrate the River Programme.</p> <p>Outcomes include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An enjoyable day's entertainment for residents and visitors • Free team place for Kingston Young Carers • Participation in social and cultural life and sporting activities. 		<p>an estimated 3,000 spectators. It also has the added benefit of encouraging people to try a new physical activity and raises significant sums for good causes – last year over £50,000 was raised for charity.</p> <p>The Rotary Dragon Boat Event is supported by local businesses and community groups in a great day of fun showing Canbury Gardens and the River Thames at their best. Local groups are also able to have stalls at Canbury Gardens, adjacent to the event.</p> <p>The Neighbourhood Manager is very supportive of this fixture in the calendar, Dragon Boats are eagerly awaited by all participants and spectators, showing the river and Canbury Gardens to best advantage while raising money to benefit local causes.</p> <p>As usual, a copy of the Risk Assessment must be provided prior to the event taking place.</p> <p>The Dragon Boat Race is not financially dependent on RBK funding, however, a further grant of £450 is recommended. This is in effect a token amount that helps ensure some of the health and safety costs are covered and also demonstrates good will to the Rotary; without their involvement and hard work this event could not take place.</p>

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			Recommendation: A grant of £450
Rotary Club of Kingston upon Thames Trust Fund	<p>Kingston Rotary Club is a registered charity set up to give financial and voluntary help to local charities, youth and voluntary organisations and residents of Kingston.</p> <p>The grant request is for £3,000 towards the cost of delivering the 2015 Kingston Rotary WinterFest, involving a range of activities between 1 December and 6 January.</p> <p>Outcomes include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Participation in social and cultural life and sporting activities • Encouraging tourism • Promotion of various charities and other groups taking part. 	2014/15 Nbhds £1,500 (KT £750 / SOTB £250 / M&C £250 / Surbiton £250)	<p>The WinterFest was first developed in 2014 and builds on the previous annual installation of the Christmas tree outside Bentalls. Last year 30 local charities collected £14,000 over the period.</p> <p>It is recommended that a grant of £450 is awarded to be used for health and safety measures.</p> <p>A Risk Assessment should be carried out prior to the event and shared with RBK and Kingstonfirst.</p> <p>Recommendation: A grant of £450</p>
Total Tourism and Leisure Bid	£11,150	Total recommended:	£4,450
YOUNG PEOPLE			
Street Pastors Kingston	Street Pastors Kingston (operating under the umbrella of Oxygen who manage their finances) was launched in 2005. Their main activities are to care for vulnerable people in the borough's night	2015/16 CIF grant £3,000	This is an interesting new initiative that mirrors the success that Street Pastors Kingston have achieved in Kingston Town Centre.

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	<p>time economy, to interrupt anti-social behaviour and restore peace. Trained and uniformed volunteers work in groups of four patrolling areas designated by the church, local authority and police on Friday and Saturday nights. They offer directions, conversation, comfort, protection as well as giving out flip flops, bottles of water and space blankets if needed. Interactions are mainly with individuals who are users of Kingston's night time facilities but the team also liaise with the homeless. One of the volunteers is first aid trained and carries a first aid kit.</p> <p>The grant request is for £3,000 to train 15 (out of 20) volunteers to work as College Pastors in Kingston College, to work alongside the student services department during the day time.</p> <p>Outcomes include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support available to students during their free time • More formal relationship enrichment classes • Improved relationship between college and local businesses • Potential involvement in Prevent work • Mentoring for students in anger management. 		<p>The student population in Kingston is a significant one and this kind of support is likely to be beneficial when combined with Kingston College's existing support services.</p> <p>Street Pastors Kingston are also planning to make applications for additional funding to the Church Urban Fund and to Kingston College but the outcome of these is unknown. The total cost for training 20 volunteers is £4,000.</p> <p>However, in the light of pressure on the budget and whether Kingston College should be funding this, no grant is recommended.</p> <p>Recommendation: No grant</p>
Oxygen	Oxygen is a registered charity, set up in 2001, to	2014/15	Oxygen's Knife Crime Project was successfully

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	<p>deliver a range of programmes and activities, which are open to any young person in Kingston upon Thames. These include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Room 1 - an after school club in secondary schools running five evenings a week • Urban Nites - a youth outreach programme in New Malden • Rock Solid - a network of youth clubs based in churches in New Malden and Kingston • Kingsnympton Youth Club • Developing Leaders Programme • Apprentice Programme • Youth enterprise initiatives • Community Cafe • Man and Boy Project (with fathers and sons) • Street Pastors. <p>Oxygen engages approximately 250 users per week aged between 11 and 18 years. All beneficiaries either reside within Kingston or attend a Kingston school.</p> <p>A grant of £2,960 is requested to fund a youth led development of their Knife Crime Awareness Project. The aim of the Project is to develop a</p>	<p>EN and NI £2,000</p> <p>2014/15 Small £500</p> <p>2015/16 CIF £3,000</p> <p>2015/16 Strategic Partner £6,000</p>	<p>piloted at Southborough School in 2014 and the School has requested that it be repeated there.</p> <p>Using a peer education approach brings a number of benefits in terms of credibility and also provides young people with an opportunity to acquire a qualification and to demonstrate their commitment to their communities.</p> <p>Oxygen works with a range of statutory and voluntary organisations in the borough, including RBK's Youth Support Service and Family Learning Service, KVA, the YMCA, the Metropolitan Police and Churches Together.</p> <p>Although Oxygen is a Christian project, its work is open and welcoming to any young person in the borough and the organisation has policies on safeguarding for children, young people and vulnerable adults as well as health and safety.</p> <p>Oxygen's work has a significant effect on the lives of young people and this project has the potential to impact on everyone in the community.</p> <p>Recommendation: A grant of £1,800</p>

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	<p>core group of peer educators to develop a resource pack on the topic of knife crime to be potentially replicated across all secondary schools in Kingston.</p> <p>Outcomes include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Educating young people about the dangers of knife crime • Using peer education to raise awareness of the issue in local schools and youth groups • Providing a valuable qualification to the peer educators. 		
Total Youth Bid	£5,960	Total recommended:	£1,800
Total Emerging Needs and New Initiatives Grants	£118,983	Overall total recommended	£39,990