# APPENDIX 2 2011 / 2012 Grant Applications to the Annual Open Bidding programme

Strategic Objective Improve the Local Environment, Economy and Quality of Life

Organisation & project description	Area / City Wide	Grant awarded 2010/11	Amount Requested	Amount Recom'd 2011/12	Why?
Age UK Oxfordshire Reaching Older People in the Community Funding requested to strengthen & support activities in Cutteslowe, Donnington & Littlemore and roll out the project to Northway and Risinghurst.	City Wide	£5,130	£9,000	Nil	A project that extends on the work already funded in the current financial year 2010/11.  The panel felt that the grant awarded in the current year should have helped to evidence a need for this work and that funding should have been sought for delivery rather than further exploratory consultation. Doubts raised on the ability to secure the additional funding needed to carry out the full project.  Recommendation is not to fund.
Archway Foundation An organisation that supports individuals feeling isolated through disability, low income or health problems	City Wide	£10,000	£10,000	£5,000	Strong in terms of targeting and evidenced a means of addressing social inclusion issues. Recommend awarding 50% of the request
Cowley Road Works Requesting funding for a 2 day Cowley Road Carnival planned for July 2011	City Wide	£7,500	£10,000	£7,500	Difficult to establish a need but a popular and well attended event.  It was felt this organisation should seek alternative means of funding to become more sustainable, as such recommend awarding 75% of request which should be used towards the Cowley Road carnival.
Cutteslowe Seniors Requesting funding to contribute to the running costs of this group	North	£750	£900	£450	Strong on targeting and working with a vulnerable group within the City.  The panel recommend awarding 50% of request.
Friends of Cutteslowe & Sunnymead Parks Improvements to Cutteslowe Park pathway	North	nil	£10,000	Nil	No evidence to suggest that any formal public consultation has taken place. The panel questioned whether this is a capital project.  Recommendation not to fund

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JTrails – (National Anglo-Jewish Heritage Trail) Funding requested to deliver an outreach project to bring greater understanding of the local Jewish heritage.	City Wide	nil	£2,000	Nil	The panel felt that the actions of the project and the selection criteria were unclear.  Recommendation not to fund.
Kids Enjoy Exercise Now (KEEN) A project delivering sporting and recreational activities for children and young people with disabilities.	City Wide	£8,000	£8,000	£6,000	Strong on needs and targeting, Recommendation is to fund 75% of request
Leys Community Development Initiative The Clockhouse Project – delivering activities for older people living on the Leys	South East	£2,660	£2,635	£2,635	Strong on identifying a need and targeting also good links with local initiatives.  Recommendation to fund 100% of request
Oxford Friend Funding requested to help with the running costs of this helpline for Oxfords gay, lesbian & bisexual community.	City Wide	£3,000	£3,000	£3,000	Strong on addressing inequalities and equality strands with communities.  Recommendation to fund 100% of request
Oxfordshire Association for the Blind Funding requested to contribute to a managed volunteer home visiting scheme for visually impaired people in Oxford.	City Wide	nil	£4,000	Nil	The panel agreed that this is a social care requirement and as such the responsibility of another statutory body.  Recommend not to fund.
Oxfordshire Parenting Forum  Leys Family Trips Club – requesting funding to provide residential trips to outdoor activity centres for families on Blackbird Leys.	South East	nil	£5,330	Nil	No information on how families are selected for these trips or how they involve others within the project. Within the application they state that they are a self funding group which contradicts any request for additional funding.  Recommendation not to fund.
OXSRAD Funding requested to contribute to staffing and running costs	City Wide	nil	£10,000	Nil	Strong on targeted work however little evidence of need and no secured income It was felt that the organisation should consider working on a business model to carefully consider all costs associated with this project and its future sustainability. Recommendation not to fund.

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Restore Funding requested to contribute to organising and promoting the Elder Stubbs Festival planned to take place on 20.08.11	East	£2,000	£2,830	£1,415	A popular and well attended event promoting mental health awareness. Recommendation to fund 50% of request.
West Oxford Community Association Funding requested to contribute to the West Oxford Fun Day planned to take place on16.07.11.	Central, South & West	nil	£1,000	£500	A well attended community event. Recommendation to fund 50% of request.

Strategic Objective Stronger & More Inclusive Communities

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ARCH (Assisted Reading for Children in Oxfordshire) A project working in primary schools with children aged 6-11 years old to help them develop a love of reading and learning.	City Wide	nil	£9,360	Nil	A project delivered in schools, the panel agreed it is the responsibility of another statutory body.  Recommendation is not to fund.
Barton Community Association Therapy Day An annual event where local residents can experience alternative therapies at low cost and encouraging healthier lifestyles through diet & exercise	North East	£750	£600	£300	A popular community event but the panel felt that may be this could be funded from alternative sources and that from 2012/13 the project should be self sustaining.  As such the panel recommendation is to fund 50% of the request.
Barton Community Association Barton Bash A community event planned to take place June 2011.	North East	£1,000	£900	£450	The panel felt the application was strong on targeting and previous events have proven successful. The panel recommend awarding 50% of request.

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Barton Community Association Hands on News A community newsletter that is delivered quarterly to all households in Barton.	North East	£3,450	£4,800	£3,000	Strong on evidencing a need, recent consultation carried out in the local community with feedback that this newsletter is a useful source of local information.
					The panel recognise this as a good project, however previous funding awarded to include training was not achieved.
					It is recommended that with support from the Communities & Neighbourhoods team that a business plan is developed to sustain the project and that they work with similar projects across the city to maximise resources.
Blackbird Leys Credit Union Funding requested for core staffing costs	South East	£10,000	£10,000	£5,000	The panel agreed that the application demonstrated a clear local community need for the service, However it was agreed that they should be working towards becoming self sustaining and as such recommend funding 50% of request.
Cutteslowe Community Association Funding requested to provide a Summer Holiday Playscheme in August 2011 for 5-11 years olds on the Cutteslowe Estate	North	£1,500	£1,500	£1,500	Strong on targeting disadvantaged and socially excluded children. Recommend funding 100% of request.
Ethnic Minority Business Service Funding requested to provide training at pre-entry level to ethnic minority individuals to enable them to progress onto ESOL training levels 1,2,& 3	City Wide	£10,000	£10,000	Nil	Strong on identifying a need and targeting, however it was felt that its likely this course will continue without our support. Recommendation not to fund.
Jericho Community Association An annual event planned for June 2011. Funding requested to go towards the hire charges for stalls by Oxford City Council	Central, South & West	£500	£500	Nil	Very little information, no evidence to identify why this support is needed. Recommendation not to fund.

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Lake Street Playgroup A pre school playgroup requesting funding to pay their rent.	Central, South & West	nil	£11,000	Nil	Noted request is greater than the maximum amount groups can apply for (£10k).  The application is for rent for a council-owned building; it is not appropriate to fund this from the grants programme. However, the issue has been referred to the council's corporate assets team who are planning to produce a report for CEB to resolve this situation without disadvantaging the organisation concerned.
Leys News Funding requested to contribute towards the delivery and printing of this newsletter	South East	£5,000	£10,000	£5,000	Strong on evidencing need from recent local survey carried out. Recommend funding 50% of request to support the community publications toolkit and linking in with other community newsletters across the City (eg Hands on News, Rose Hill News)
Open Door A weekly drop in service for refugees and asylum seekers.	East	nil	£5,000	£4,000	Strong on need and targeted working with minority groups Recommend funding 80% of request
Oxfordshire Equality & Human Rights Council Funding requested to contribute to staffing costs to continue their legal advice service	City Wide	nil	£5,000	Nil	Weak on evidencing the impact of this service. Unclear on future case load or issues.  Oxford City Council have existing links with MANTRA for equality & diversity work. No evidence of additional need.  Recommendation not to fund.
ReachAbility Funding requested to recruit 25 community activists to promote intercultural dialogue and diversity in their neighbourhoods.	City Wide	nil	£10,000	Nil	It was unclear how people would be selected or how the exchange visits with other countries would benefit residents in Oxford City.  Recommendation not to fund.

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Risinghurst Community Association Funding requested to set up an internet café for local people in Risinghurst.	North East	nil	£3,000	Nil	Weak on evidencing a need and no targeted work. IT facilities already exist locally at Barton & Northway. Recommendation not to fund.
South Oxford Adventure Playground Funding requested to contribute to the staffing and running costs of this project.	City Wide	£11,000 through commissioning	£10,000	£8,000	A holiday play scheme targeting 6-13 year olds, with some after school activities.  Recommend funding 80% of request.

Strategic Objective More Housing, Better Housing for All

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Community Soup Kitchen Funding requested to provide hot meals & clothing for homeless people	City Wide	£5,000 through commissioning	£8,000	Nil	The panel felt this project does not meet the criteria for the More Housing, Better Housing for All theme or the activities supported.  This activity is not included as research shows that this kind of facility encourages rough sleeping and recent monitoring information provided by this project confirms a percentage of their users access hostels and shelters where hot meals are already provided.  Monitoring information also shows that a high percentage of their users have their 'own place'.  Recommendation is not to fund.

Strategic Objective Reducing Crime and Anti Social Behaviour

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Donnington Doorstep Funding requested to continue their 1-2-1 support for children and young people who have been identified as at risk of social exclusion or offending.	East	£20,000	£10,000	£10,000	Strong on identifying a need and targeting, working with vulnerable young people & supporting sexually exploited young women in the area.  Recommendation is to fund 100% of request.
Headway Oxford Prevention of brain injury through education – Funding requested for a series of workshop to help prevent anti social behaviour in young offenders.	City Wide	nil	£4,000	Nil	No data on injuries caused by anti social behaviour, suggest linking in with Oxford City Council Community Safety team. Recommendation is not to fund.
Roots Allotment Project A project working with hard to reach young people who are not in education, employment or training.	City Wide	nil	£9,828	£2,000	Strong on evidencing a need and targeted work with vulnerable young people. The panel felt that elements of this project could deliver some benefits within the community in terms of community safety, as such recommend part funding start up costs for this project.
TRAX The Oxfordshire Motor Project Funding requested to contribute to a 10 week course with 13-21 year olds from across the City.	City Wide	£5,000 through commissioning	£6,000	Nil	Weak on evidencing a need but strong on targeted work with vulnerable young people. Course set up at the request of another statutory body and as such the panel recommend not to fund.

Strategic Objective Tackle Climate Change and Promote Environmental Resources

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Oxford Conservation Volunteers Funding requested to contribute to the running costs of their minibus	City Wide	£500	£500	Nil	Weak on evidencing the need and the panel felt the funding was not vital to the success of the project.  Recommendation is not to fund.
Oxford Urban Wildlife Group Funding requested to help with improvements and running costs of Boundary Brook Nature Park.	City Wide	£4,099	£7,975	£2,250	Strong on evidencing work with other partners to deliver a good range of work promoting the natural environment.  Recommend funding £2,250 towards the day to day running costs of Boundary Brook Nature Park.