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<p><u>Aldates Community Transformation Initiatives (ACT)</u></p> <p>An organisation that works with prisoners recently released from prison who are struggling to get a job or enter into volunteering programmes</p> <p>Funding requested to run a 'Step into Employment' programme targeting 36 men recently released from prison and who are living in Oxford.</p>	City Wide	Nil	£9,860	Nil	<p>A project that is strong on need and targeted towards vulnerable adults. However the principle aim and ethos of the organisation is to promote faith. There are other agencies delivering job club schemes in the City and it was felt this particular work should link to the Probation Service to consider funding.</p> <p>For both of these reasons the panel recommend not funding this application.</p>
<p><u>Archway Foundation</u></p> <p>An organisation that works to improve the quality of life for individuals who feel isolated, lonely & marginalised through disability, low income or health.</p> <p>Funding requested to contribute towards their core running costs (staffing, transport, rent etc)</p>	City Wide	£10,000	£10,000	£5,000	<p>A project that is strong on targeted work with vulnerable adults in Oxford by providing a varied programme of social events and activities to promote inclusion and a sense of belonging.</p> <p>Due to budget constraints the panel recommend funding 50% of request..</p>
<p><u>Ark T Centre</u></p> <p>Funding is requested to work with 25 young women aged 12-19 years old from Blackbird Leys, Cowley, Rose Hill, Littlemore & Wood Farm, to help them overcome the barriers they currently experience in accessing the male dominated recording, rehearsing and performance opportunities in music.</p>	South East	£8,044	£4,570	£4,570	<p>A project that is strong on need and targeted work with vulnerable young women from local & regeneration areas of the city. It will be an additional element to the successful music project already being delivered from this centre.</p> <p>The panel recommend funding 100% of request.</p>

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<p><u>Blackbird Leys Adventure Playground</u> Funding requested to contribute towards running out of school activities for local children aged 8-13 living on Blackbird Leys.</p>	South East	Nil	£10,000	£7,500	<p>A project that is being delivered in an area of multiple deprivation and an area that has been identified by Oxford City Council as a priority area for regeneration.</p> <p>Users of the playground are charged £1 a day and the organisation will be submitting further applications to other suitable funders.</p> <p>The panel recommend funding 75% of request to contribute towards the general running costs of the organisation to support the delivery of the project. Conditional that they work with OCVA to develop a business plan to look at a sustainable future and get the support they need to look for other suitable funding.</p>
<p><u>Blackbird Leys Credit Union</u> Funding requested to pay part time staffing costs for management, clerical and counter duties.</p>	South East	£10,000	£10,000	£10,000	<p>This organisation provides a service in an area of high social deprivation. They provide an important role in providing affordable credit for local residents who may be facing financial exclusion and would otherwise be subject to loan sharks</p> <p>The panel recommend funding 100% of their request towards funding part time staff.</p> <p>This recommendation is conditional that they develop a sustainable business plan and complete their amalgamation with Oxford Credit Union on or before 30 September 2013.</p>
<p><u>Broken Spoke Bike Co-op</u> An organisation that is working towards a more sustainable transport system based on cycling & teaching people to be proficient in bicycle maintenance and riding.</p> <p>Funding requested to work with 6 young women, aged 14-16, from East Oxford to teach them bicycle maintenance & repairs and skills that will emphasis empowerment and self reliance,</p>	East	Nil	£3,665	Nil	<p>A summer holiday project planning to work with 6 young women, although it was unclear how the young women would be referred onto the scheme. Weak on need, high costs per participant on the scheme and no sustainability.</p> <p>Recommendation is not to fund this request.</p>

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<p><u>Centre for Sustainable Healthcare</u> This organisation focuses on the interface between health and the environment and is working to help people realise the overlap between their wellbeing and environmental sustainability</p> <p>Funding is requested to contribute towards organising and creating a Green Health Walk in Marston.</p>	North East	Nil	£10,000	Nil	<p>The panel felt there were already similar schemes running in the City and this project would benefit by linking in with Go Active who have developed health walks around the City and link up with the Marston Children's Centre who have already established a Mothers walking route in the Marston area.</p> <p>The recommendation is not to fund this request.</p>
<p><u>Cuttleslowe Seniors Group</u> Funding requested to contribute towards the running costs of this group such as wheel chair compatible transport, speaker's fees and subsidised venue charges.</p>	North	£500	£1,000	£1,000	<p>Strong on targeted work with older people and the only activity for older people living in the Cuttleslowe area.</p> <p>The panel recommend funding 100% of request, conditional that they promote the project to increase membership.</p>
<p><u>Cuttleslowe Community Association</u> Funding requested to pay the salary costs for the Cuttleslowe Seniors Group coordinator.</p>	North	Nil	£6310.74	Nil	<p>This application is requesting the total costs for this post. The panel were concerned that there was no match funding from the association to support this role particularly when they have a healthy bank balance.</p> <p>It was noted that in kind support is provided through use of the centre.</p> <p>It was unclear why this expenditure was not included in the application for the Cuttleslowe Seniors Group above.</p> <p>There was no sustainability plan for continued funding of the post.</p> <p>The recommendation from the panel is not to fund.</p>
<p><u>Cuttleslowe Community Association</u> Funding requested to contribute towards a Summer play scheme for children and young people living in Cuttleslowe.</p>	North	£1,500	£2,000	£2,000	<p>Strong on need and targeting children from families on benefits living in the local area.</p> <p>The panel recommend funding 100% of amount requested and also to develop links with the Youth Ambition Programme.</p>

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<p>Deaf Direct Ltd Funding requested to contribute towards a new way of enabling deaf people who use British Sign Language (BSL) to access a BSL-English interpreter anytime.</p>	City Wide	Nil	£10,000	Nil	<p>A service that is helping people who require a certain degree of extra practical help to live their lives. They expect 25 deaf people across Oxford to access this new service in the first year.</p> <p>The panel agreed this service is a Social Care role and as such falls into one of the areas Oxford City Council does not wish to fund as stated in the grants programme prospectus.</p> <p>The recommendation is not to fund.</p>
<p>Donnington Doorstep Family Centre Funding requested to contribute towards a project called Drop In Play Out which includes 1-2-1 support for disadvantaged and socially excluded local children & young people</p>	East	£10,000	£10,000	£7,500	<p>Strong on need and targeted work with local vulnerable children and young people.</p> <p>It was noted within the application that if 75% was awarded to this project there would not be any significant affects to the service delivery.</p> <p>Due to budget constraints the panel recommend funding 75% of amount requested.</p>
<p>Ethnic Minority Business Service Funding requested to design & deliver a four day training programme for 40 people. The course will cover topics relevant to setting up your own business targeting people from disadvantaged & vulnerable groups living in Oxford.</p>	City Wide	Nil	£10,000	Nil	<p>No evidence provided to establish the need for this course. Requesting funding to cover the total costs of the course with no other funding applied for.</p> <p>Unclear when the course would run because the application implies the course will finish March 2013.</p> <p>The panel recommend not funding this request.</p>
<p>Falcon Rowing & Canoeing Club Funding is requested to train 18 volunteers to help deal with the increasing popularity of the sport.</p>	East	Nil	£5,000	£1,800	<p>The panel recommend funding the higher level coach training for 6 volunteers and suggest that the organisation links in with the Oxfordshire Sports Partnership and the Sport Makers Programme for other training which can be provided free.</p>

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<p>Film Oxford Funding requested to contribute towards running Summer screen film festival in 2013 but specifically to support the cost of 3 mini movie film projects in Cutteslowe, Rose Hill & Barton.</p>	City Wide	Nil	£9,955	£2,752	<p>Strong on targeted work with young people from low income families living in Cutteslowe, Rose Hill & Barton.</p> <p>The panel recommend funding £2,752 of request to run 1 mini movies film project in Rose Hill.</p>
<p>Folk Arts Oxford Funding requested to contribute towards organising and running a Folk Weekend in Oxford, which will bring around 50 local and national artists to perform at various locations in the City Centre.</p>	City Wide	Nil	£10,000	Nil	<p>It was noted that the application is from an individual so not eligible for funding through this programme.</p> <p>The panel suggest they link in with the Councils Arts & Culture team for support to look at how this could be funded.</p>
<p>JACARI This organisation is a student run charity providing home tutoring for BME children aged 5-17 who don't speak English as their first language.</p> <p>Funding is requested to contribute towards the coordinators salary.</p>	City Wide	Nil	£8,000	Nil	<p>Although this application is strong on evidencing the need and targeted towards vulnerable children and young people it is an education focused project. As such falls into one of the things Oxford City Council does not wish to fund as detailed in the grants programme prospectus.</p> <p>Therefore the panel recommend not funding this application and suggest they link in with the Educational Attainment Programme.</p>
<p>Kids Enjoy Exercise Now (KEEN) KEEN is a student run charity. They provide social, sporting and recreational activities for children and young people with special needs in Oxford.</p> <p>Funding is requested to contribute towards the cost of continuing these activities free of charge for their users.</p>	City Wide	£6,000	£8,000	£4,000	<p>Strong on need and targeted work with children and young people with special needs/disabilities.</p> <p>The panel recommend funding 50% of request conditional that they link in with OXSRAD.</p>

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<p>Leys CDI The CDI Clockhouse Project provides a place for local older people living in Blackbird Leys & Greater Leys to stay active, socialise and develop new skills</p> <p>Funding requested to run low cost activities, tai chi, yoga and dance for people aged 50+.</p>	South East	£3,044	£2,808	£2,808	<p>Strong on need and targeted work with older people living on Blackbird Leys and Greater Leys.</p> <p>Recommend funding 100% of request conditional that they promote these activities across the Leys estate.</p>
<p>Leys News Funding requested to continue to provide professional support to community newsletters across the city in the form of editorial guidance, design, production, administration, business development, best practice and sustainability.</p> <p>Also running community journalism courses plus refresher courses and skills development.</p>	City Wide	£10,000	£10,000	£10,000	<p>Community newsletters have been found to improve communication within local communities.</p> <p>This project supports community newsletters across the city with professional guidance, business development and supporting them to work towards sustainability.</p> <p>The community journalism course improves local people's skills and life chances.</p> <p>The panel recommend funding 100% of this request to continue supporting community newsletters in Barton, Wood Farm, Cowley & Rose Hill and conditional that they support the development of community newsletters in Northway & Littlemore.</p>
<p>My Life, My Choice A self-advocacy organisation run by and for people with learning difficulties in Oxfordshire.</p> <p>Funding requested to train 8 young people with learning disabilities to run and manage 4 youth nightclub events targeting young people aged 14-20 also with learning disabilities</p>	City Wide	Nil	£5,646,	£4,000	<p>Strong on targeted work with vulnerable young people. A project that with the initial start up costs to train and peer mentor young people to run and manage these events will be self sustaining after the first year.</p> <p>It will also give those young people involved with the project new skills and knowledge that will increase their opportunities of finding employment or voluntary work.</p> <p>The panel recommend funding £4,000 towards the training and transport needs for this project.</p>

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<p>The Nature Effect An organisation that develops their work around natural and recycled materials.</p> <p>Funding requested to develop 2 courses that teach sewing skills, show practical examples of upcycling using recycled fabrics and materials.</p>	City Wide	Nil	£6,329	Nil	<p>Weak on need and no targeted work in the City. Requesting 100% of the total project costs, of which nearly 38% of the costs is for research & development.</p> <p>The panel recommend not funding this request. We will recommend they link to other sewing clubs in the City and also to Orinoco for use of recycling materials.</p>
<p>One Eighty This organization works with vulnerable young people, and their families, who are at risk of social/educational exclusion. Many of whom are also at risk of becoming involved with crime.</p> <p>Funding requested to contribute to the core running costs of this organization to expand their work.</p>	City Wide	Nil	£10,000	Nil	<p>Strong on need and targeted work with young people who have disengaged with school. However they failed to identify the need in Oxford City.</p> <p>The panel felt that this type of work/support was also being delivered with schools by Positive Futures, as such the recommendation is not to fund.</p>
<p>Open Door Operating from East Oxford Community Centre, this organisation provides a drop in session once a week for refugees and asylum seekers.</p> <p>They are requesting funding to continue this service to signpost and provide a meeting place where they can meet other people in the same situation.</p>	City Wide	Nil	£4,990	£2,495	<p>Strong on need and targeted work with vulnerable adults living in the City.</p> <p>Due to budget constraints the panel recommend funding 50% of the amount requested</p>

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<p>Oxford Deaf & Hard of Hearing Centre Funding requested to provide information and advice for local deaf & hard of hearing people from their city centre location.</p>	City Wide	Nil	£10,000	Nil	<p>A service that is helping people who require a certain degree of extra practical help to live their lives.</p> <p>The panel agreed this service is a Social Care role and as such falls into one of the areas Oxford City Council does not fund as stated in the grants programme prospectus.</p> <p>The recommendation is not to fund.</p>
<p>Oxford Friend This organisation provides a confidential helpline service for lesbians, gay men, bisexuals and transgender people living in Oxford.</p> <p>Funding requested to contribute towards their running costs for this service.</p>	City Wide	£3,000	£3,000	£3,000	<p>Strong on need and targeted work with a marginalised group.</p> <p>The only organisation in Oxford that provides a confidential helpline for lesbians, gay men, bisexual and transgender people living in Oxford.</p> <p>The panel recommend funding 100% of this request.</p>
<p>Oxford Urban Wildlife Group This organisation works to conserving wildlife in Oxford. They converted disused allotments in East Oxford into Boundary Brook Nature Park.</p> <p>Funding requested to contribute towards the running cost of Boundary Brook Nature Park</p>	East	Nil	£7,605	£2,405	<p>This project provides opportunities for practical conservation work and conserving urban wildlife near the centre of the City.</p> <p>It also provides an open space for school groups, leisure groups and many local people to drop in on open days.</p> <p>The panel recommend funding £2,405 towards the general running costs of the Boundary Brook Nature Park.</p> <p>This recommendation is conditional on that they work with OCVA to develop a business plan and get the support they need to look for other suitable funding.</p>

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<p><u>Oxford Wheels Project</u> The skate park is located in Meadow Lane and is currently undergoing a rebuild from wooden ramps to concrete.</p> <p>It is a specialist recreational facility for children, young people and adults who wish to take part in skateboarding, roller skating & cycling</p> <p>Funding requested to contribute towards the annual running costs of this facility.</p>	City Wide	Nil	£10,000	£5,000	The panel recommend funding 50% of this request to go towards the general running costs for the skate park.
<p><u>Oxford Youth Works</u> An organisation that works with underachieving young people to help them fulfil their potential and experience positive change.</p> <p>Funding requested to work with 80 targeted young people from Cheney School, Oxford Spires Academy & St Gregory the Great by taking them on adventure activity days out to build their confidence and develop socially.</p>	City Wide	Nil	£1,732.50	Nil	<p>Although this application evidenced need and is targeted work with vulnerable young people from disadvantaged areas of the City.</p> <p>The panel have recommended not to fund this application because, within their memorandum and articles of association it states that the association was established to advance the Christian Religion and one of the ways they will do this is through youth work.</p> <p>Within the grants programme prospectus it states that Oxford City Council does not wish to fund activities that promote a religious viewpoint.</p>
<p><u>Oxfordshire Association for the Blind</u> Funding requested to contribute towards the costs of running a Home Visiting Scheme.</p> <p>This scheme partners volunteers from Oxford City with visually impaired residents to help them with every day tasks such as dealing with post, paying bills, shopping and company.</p>	City Wide	Nil	£10,000	Nil	<p>A service that is helping people who require a certain degree of extra practical help to live their lives.</p> <p>The panel agreed this service is a Social Care role and as such falls into one of the areas Oxford City Council does not fund as stated in the grants programme prospectus.</p> <p>The recommendation is not to fund.</p>

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<p>Oxfordshire Chinese Community & Advice Centre Funding requested to provide a variety of activities for non English speaking, vulnerable & socially isolated older Chinese people living in Oxford and disadvantaged groups in East Oxford.</p>	<p>City Wide</p>	<p>£2,500</p>	<p>£10,000</p>	<p>£2,520</p>	<p>Strong on need and targeted activities for older and socially isolated Chinese people living in Oxford.</p> <p>The panel recommend funding £2,520 of this request for:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 24 sessions of seated exercise • 8 cultural dance workshops & • 12 healthy walks <p>The recommendation is conditional that the organisation links in with the City Councils Go Active coordinator regarding the seated exercise and healthy walks and to also link in with the City Councils Arts & Dance Officer regarding the cultural dance workshops.</p>
<p>Oxfordshire Family Mediation This organisation provides a mediation service and children's counselling to families affected by separation. They help people to recognise issues more clearly and assess different options for their future after separation, leading to positive solutions for everyone.</p> <p>Funding requested for outreach work with families in Barton, Blackbird Leys & Rose Hill.</p>	<p>City Wide</p>	<p>Nil</p>	<p>£10,000</p>	<p>Nil</p>	<p>Although a project that is strong on need and targeted work with families and children in areas of deprivation.</p> <p>The panel agreed this work falls under Social Care and as such is one of the areas Oxford City Council does not wish to fund.</p> <p>Therefore the recommendation is not to fund.</p>

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<p>Oxfordshire Play Association This organisation provides practical and professional support to all those who provide children and young people with opportunities to play.</p> <p>Funding requested to contribute towards an inclusive event at Rose Hill to celebrate National Play Day, an annual celebration of the child's right to play.</p>	South East	Nil	£1,000	£750	<p>An event being planned to be delivered on Rose Hill but will be promoted across the city for all to attend. They had also sourced funding from other funders for this event.</p> <p>The panel recommend funding 75% of request.</p>
<p>OXFRINGE This is an annual series of literary, theatrical comic, artistic and musical events that takes place across the city.</p> <p>Funding requested to contribute towards the organising and running the 2013 event.</p>	City Wide	Nil	£5,000	Nil	<p>No need and no specifics or breakdown on how or where the festival will be delivered.</p> <p>The panel recommend not funding this request.</p>
<p>Oxford & District Sports & Recreational Association for the Disabled (OXSRAD) Funding requested to contribute towards running their Friday night youth club for children and young people aged 8-18 years old.</p>	North East	£1,250	£8,000	Nil	<p>Although the application tells us they hope to increase their membership from 66 to 75 young people next year, it's unclear how many actually attend on a weekly basis.</p> <p>Due to budget constraints the recommendation is not to fund this request.</p>

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<p>RESTORE – Elder Stubbs Festival Funding requested to contribute towards the cost of organising and running the Elder Stubbs Festival planned to take place on 17.08.13.</p>	Cowley	£3,290	£3,422	£900	<p>A popular annual event that works to dispel the misconceptions around mental health issues.</p> <p>It was noted that £7,862 was raised at the 2012 festival but only £1,000 of income generated at the festival is being used to contribute towards the costs for the 2013 festival.</p> <p>Due to budget constraints the panel recommend funding £900 for performers and attractions for the 2013 festival.</p>
<p>South Oxford Adventure Playground (SOAP) SOAP provides supervised play for children & young people aged 7-15 years old.</p> <p>Funding requested to contribute towards the play leaders salary costs and continue providing safe and supervised play.</p>	Central, South & West	£8,000	£10,000	£8,000	<p>A popular adventure playground that in 2012 they had up to 150 children and young people attending each day during the summer holiday.</p> <p>Their application is requesting funding to provide play provision during Easter, Summer and May school holidays and based on previous attendance they are anticipating up to 1160 children & young people attending during the year..</p> <p>The recommendation is to fund 80% of their request...</p>
<p>Street Revolution This organisation engages with adults who are marginalised through various circumstances such as homeless, unemployed, disabled, ex offenders and those who may have a mental illness and/or addiction issues to help them advice or support on a variety of topics.</p> <p>Funding requested to contribute towards football and volleyball activities to engage with this group of peopl.</p>	City Wide	Nil	£10,000	Nil	<p>It was unclear about the need for these activities and the panel agreed that this organisation should link in with the various specialised organisations working with this client group (homelessness) for support to find funding for these activities.</p> <p>The panel recommend not funding this request.</p>

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<p>Tandem An organisation that trains volunteers who will then 'befriend' a person who has been through a period of mental ill health and is looking to rebuild their lives.</p> <p>Funding requested to contribute towards the salary costs of two part time joint co-ordinators.</p>	City wide	Nil	£7,500	Nil	A project that is strong on targeted work with vulnerable adults. However a health focused project and due to budget constraints recommend not funding this request.
<p>Wesley Memorial Methodist Church Funding requested to subsidise groups using their community space. This will allow the Church to put their funding towards the refurbishment and extension of these community premises.</p>	City Wide	Nil	£10,000	Nil	<p>The panel questioned whether Oxford City Council should be funding a religious institution to enable them to improve a capital asset.</p> <p>Within their mission statement one of their aims is to be open to the community by making the premises available for charitable organisations and community projects.</p> <p>The panel felt that the Council should not be funding something the church should be providing as part of their fundamental purpose.</p> <p>Therefore the panel recommend not funding this request.</p>
<p>Wood Farm Youth Club Funding requested to contribute towards the staffing costs of their weekly youth sessions.</p>	North East	£10,000	£7,000	£7,000	<p>Strong on need and targeted work with vulnerable young people and in a regeneration area.</p> <p>The application shows progress in sourcing other funding to continue this activity.</p> <p>The panel recommend funding 100% of request.</p>

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