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2016/2017 Recommendations for the Community and Voluntary Organisations Grants Commissioning Programme

Theme **Community Safety**
 Strategic Objective **Strong, Active Communities**

Organisation & project description	Grant awarded 2015/16	Recom'd for 2016/17
<p><u>The Children's Society (Oxford)</u> The project delivers a range of services supporting new migrant and refugee children and their families. To do this the project currently works in partnership with 4 secondary schools and the local further education college.</p> <p>The children and young people they are working with are from societies that are vastly different from the UK and get mixed messages from adults, other young people and their own observations around sexual behaviour.</p> <p>These children and young people will be supported to better understand our society, its law and rules around what is appropriate and what is not. This includes appropriate behaviour with girls, internet safety and protection, staying safe, making safe choices and keeping other young people safe.</p> <p>The continued funding of this part-time post for one day a week would improve and build resilience for this particular vulnerable group of individuals.</p>	<p>£8,000</p>	<p>£8,000</p>
<p><u>A2 Dominion Housing Group</u> A project providing practical and emotional support for females and males experiencing domestic abuse. With a growing need for specialist support for victims of violence, intimidation and abuse, this project has a good track record supporting victims of domestic violence.</p> <p>They work to improve the quality of life for females, males and any children by working with a holistic approach to support and using family intervention</p> <p>The funding will be used to fund 1 FTE domestic violence outreach worker and support costs for the post.</p>	<p>£35,082</p>	<p>£35,082</p>
<p><u>Oxford Sexual Abuse & Rape Crisis Centre</u> A telephone helpline service which is run by a team of trained volunteers. Enabling victims of sexual violence to deal with the effects of these crimes in their lives and improve access to information.</p> <p>The helpline is open 4 times a week and is the only agency providing specialist services for survivors of sexual abuse and rape. They are developing their service to include an ISVA and therapeutic counselling.</p> <p>The funding will be used to contribute to the core running costs for this work.</p>	<p>£15,000</p>	<p>£15,000</p>

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Organisation & project description	Grant awarded 2015/16	Recom'd for 2016/17
<p>Oxford Friend A confidential telephone helpline service for the Lesbian, Gay Men, Bisexual & Transgender (LGBT) community in Oxford. Which is run by a team of trained volunteers who are all part of the LGBT community.</p> <p>The helpline is open three times a week and is the only agency providing this type of service for a high risk marginalised group of people in Oxford. The funding will be used to contribute to the core running costs for this work.</p>	£3,000	£3,000
Community Safety Theme Total	£61,082	£61,082

Theme Inclusive Play & Leisure for Children & Young People with Disabilities

Organisation & project description	Grant awarded 2015/16	Recom'd for 2016/17
<p>Parasol Project A project providing integrated play, recreational and social opportunities for children and young people with learning and /or physical disabilities in Oxford City</p> <p>A good track record of delivering play and leisure opportunities for children and young people with disabilities. Integrating them with their non disabled peers.</p> <p>This organisation also supports other play facilities across the city by providing trained 'enablers' (an enabler is someone who will support individual disabled children or young people to access mainstream activities).</p> <p>The funding will contribute to the delivery of this work.</p>	£15,000	£15,000
Inclusive Play & Leisure or Disabled C&YP Theme Total	£15,000	£15,000

Theme Community & Voluntary Organisations Infrastructure

Organisation & project description	Grant awarded 2015/16	Recom'd for 2016/17
<p>Oxfordshire Community & Voluntary Action (OCVA) OCVA is the main umbrella body for the voluntary and community sector in Oxfordshire. Providing advice, information and training, it engages in advocacy and representation at a strategic level and builds partnerships.</p> <p>The funding will be used to contribute towards the core running costs of this organisation.</p>	£48,736	£43,736
CVO Infrastructure Theme Total	£48,736	£43,736

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Advice & Money Management Commissioning
 Strategic Objective Strong and Active Communities

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<p><u>Blackbird Leys Neighbourhood Support Services</u> (also known as Agnes Smith Advice Centre) This advice centre is located in Blackbird Leys and aims to ensure the best practices in the delivery of free independent, impartial and confidential advice.</p> <p>The area of delivery is Blackbird Leys and the surrounding area. In accordance with the new three year funding agreement, 80% of funding will contribute towards their core running costs (including £7,250 rent payable to Oxford City Council), and the remaining 20% will be provided for funding the annual priority agreed in partnership with Oxford City Council and will be outlined in their Service Specification documents.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Core Funding £68,232 Priority Area Funding <u>£17,058</u> Total £85,290</p>		
<p><u>Oxford Citizens Advice Bureau</u> Located in the centre of Oxford, the Citizen's Advice Bureau (CAB) offers self-help and assisted information. CAB is a free confidential advice service including signposting, generalist and specialist casework for client's city wide.</p> <p>In accordance with the new three year funding agreement, 80% of funding will contribute towards their core running costs and the remaining 20% will be provided for funding the annual priority agreed in partnership with Oxford City Council and will be outlined in their Service Specification documents.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Core Funding £160,000 Priority Area Funding <u>£40,000</u> Total £200,000</p>		

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<p>Oxford Community Work Agency (OCWA) Located in Barton in the Neighbourhood Centre, this organisation is an independent community advice and information centre. This organisation comprises of Barton Advice Centre and Oxfordshire Welfare Rights.</p> <p>The focus of OCWA is the provision of specialist advice in social welfare law and debt advice, supporting individuals who live locally in Barton, Headington, Risinghurst and throughout Oxford.</p> <p>In accordance with the new three year funding agreement, 80% of funding will contribute towards their core running costs (including £8,100 rent payable to Oxford City Council) and the remaining 20% will be provided for funding the annual priority agreed in partnership with Oxford City Council and will be outlined in their Service Specification documents.</p> <p>Core Funding Priority Area Funding Additional funding to cover increased work due to the loss of Legal Aid Total</p>	<p>£75,200 £18,800 £28,611 £122,611</p>	<p>£75,200 £18,800 £28,611 £122,611</p>
<p>Rose Hill & Donnington Advice Centre Located in Rose Hill this advice centre aims to relieve poverty in Rose Hill, Donnington and the surrounding area by providing information, advice and assistance on all matters relating to welfare benefits & debt.</p> <p>In accordance with the new three year funding agreement, 80% of funding will contribute towards their core running costs (including £3,000 rent payable to Oxford City Council) and the remaining 20% will be provided for funding the annual priority agreed in partnership with Oxford City Council and will be outlined in their Service Specification documents.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Core Funding Priority Area Funding Total</p>	<p>£72,382 £18,096 £90,478</p>	<p>£72,382 £18,096 £90,478</p>
<p>Unallocated</p>	<p>£20,000</p>	<p>£20,000</p>
<p>Advice & Money Management Theme Total</p>	<p>£518,379</p>	<p>£518,379</p>

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Inclusive Arts & Culture Commissioning
Strategic Objective Strong and Active Communities

Organisation & project description	Grant awarded 2015/16	Recom'd for 2016/17
<p>Fusion Arts A project that fosters and promotes the improvement and development of artistic knowledge, understanding and appreciation of the arts for the benefit of the public and in particular community groups, young people, older people and people with special needs.</p> <p>They aim to deliver inclusive projects with outcomes that bring people together in established cultural venues and events. The funding will be used to deliver community focused projects.</p> <p>In 2013/14, Fusion worked with 152 artists, provided 740 education sessions and delivered work for an audience of more than 45,000 people.</p>	£28,128	£28,128
<p>Modern Art Oxford This organisation, located in Pembroke Street, was established to promote modern visual arts to the public. Working with artists they deliver a community & education programme aiming to increase the enjoyment and understanding of contemporary art.</p> <p>This funding will be used to pay rent charges payable to Oxford City Council.</p>	£70,000	£70,000
<p>Oxford Contemporary Music A project working with artists and musicians to promote high quality new music to the public through the delivery of community focused projects.</p> <p>Core funded by the Arts Council and any funding awarded will be used to lever in other sources of funding. They support, with delivery of the music programme for the Lord Mayors Christmas Carol Service and Christmas Light Festival, which have been hugely successful both in terms of quality of music and public engagement.</p>	£10,000	£10,000
<p>Film Oxford A project making film and digital media more accessible. Delivering training to increase opportunities for individuals into this industry.</p> <p>Funding will be used to deliver this work (including £5k to pay rent payable to Oxford City Council).</p> <p>In 2013/14, they delivered 210 days of education sessions, provided employment for 1000 artists and delivered work that reached an audience of 70,000 people. In 2013/14, every £1 of Council funding helped them leverage more than £7 of funding from other sources.</p>	£25,000	£25,000

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<p>Experience Oxfordshire Our funding traditionally contributes towards the core running costs of the organisation rather than the delivery of public-facing work. This can no longer be prioritised. Remaining funding focuses on supporting marketing of cultural organisations and key city events to a tourist audience.</p>	<p>£2,000</p>	<p>£2,000</p>
<p><u>Oxford International Link (OIL)</u> An umbrella organisation co-ordinating twinning links and events throughout the year. Good partnership working and brings a lot into the city in both funding and culture.</p> <p>The funding will be used to contribute towards the running costs of these events and to allocate grants to the twinning links for their community activity.</p>	<p>£6,000</p>	<p>£6,000</p>
<p><u>Oxford Playhouse</u> An organisation aiming to raise public awareness and appreciation of the arts through theatre, dance and music. It boasts a good national and international reputation. Delivering a range of participatory opportunities for the community including youth theatre, access performances for people who are hard of hearing, deaf, blind and partially sighted, support for local artists and family friendly initiatives.</p> <p>The funding will contribute towards community based/focused projects.</p>	<p>£24,000</p>	<p>£24,000</p>
<p><u>Arts at the Old Fire Station</u> Launched in 2011, Arts at the Old Fire Station is a charity and social enterprise offering support for emerging artists and a gallery with a wide range of exhibitions, a theatre offering music and drama, a studio for all kinds of dance and workshops for artists.</p> <p>The funding will contribute to the delivery of this work.</p>	<p>£32,134</p>	<p>£32,134</p>
<p><u>Pegasus Theatre</u> An organisation promoting the appreciation of the arts in particular for the benefit of children and young people. Strong reputation, good partnership working and good track record delivering high quality accessible arts. Delivers projects with children and young people targeting socially excluded groups.</p> <p>The funding will be used to contribute to the delivery of their work with children and young people.</p>	<p>£25,000</p>	<p>£25,000</p>

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<p><u>OVADA</u> OVADA provide opportunities for artists to create new work, support the transfer of skills, knowledge & experience, encourage collaborations between artists, develop partnerships, exhibit work and build new audiences for contemporary art.</p> <p>OVADA has strong links to local schools and to further and higher education providers in Oxford and have developed a workshop programme with Oxford and Cherwell Valley College (OCVC). Their wider programme includes opportunities for students to work in the space, alongside professional artists and practitioners. OVADA will offer day courses and workshops to these young people.</p> <p>OVADA deliver the “The Warehouse Art School”, a one year continuing practice course aimed at artists wishing to professionalise their practice at any stage of their career. Skills development for both young people and emerging artists is combined with a focus on supporting creative practitioners to showcase their work and develop their business expertise.</p> <p>The funding will contribute to the delivery of this work.</p>	£5,000	£5,000
<p><u>Ark T Centre</u> The Ark T Centre delivers art exhibitions, creative workshops, dance and music. There’s a recording studio for young musicians, rehearsal space for theatre and dance, a performance and concert area and studios for a group of resident artists.</p> <p>Around 900 people come into the Centre each week, some sharing in projects that are open to the public and others in programmes that are run for specific groups.</p> <p>Their volunteer programme aims to help people experiencing difficult situations benefit from mixing with a wide range of other life experiences and to be useful and productive to others. Volunteers provide food every day in the cafe; learn administrative and customer service skills; garden, and support creative workshops. Through this process they acquire skills and training as well as refining social and personal confidence to move on from challenging circumstances. These volunteers are referred to Ark T from agencies working with marginalised groups experiencing the difficulties of drug and alcohol abuse, homelessness, mental health difficulty or those who are NEET.</p> <p>The funding will contribute to the delivery of this work.</p>	£5,000	£5,000
<p><u>Oxford Philomusica</u> Funding specifically to enable Oxford Philomusica to increase the number of free family concerts they deliver from 2 to 3 each year, to continue to offer discounted tickets for young people for concerts (with at least 100 free tickets per year to be distributed through the Communities team), continue to deliver work in hospitals and primary schools, and contribute at least one event / activity to the city's Light Festival in November each year.</p>	£3,000	£3,000
<u>Arts & Culture Theme Total</u>	£235,262	£235,262

