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Grant Applications to the 2016/2017 Annual Open Bidding Grants Programme - Strategic Objective:

Strong, Active Communities

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<p><b>Archway Foundation</b> An organisation that supports individuals feeling isolated through disability, low income or health problems.</p> <p>Funding has been requested to contribute towards their core running costs.</p>	City Wide	£5,000	£10,000	£7,500	<p>Strong in terms of targeting and evidenced a means of addressing social inclusion issues.</p> <p>Recommend awarding 75% of the request.</p>
<p><b>Asylum Welcome</b> Asylum Welcome supports refugees, asylum seekers in Oxford including immigration detainees at Campsfield House at Kidlington.</p> <p>Funding requested to contribute towards their core running costs that will enable them to:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Strengthen current services</li> <li>• Improve links with lawyers</li> <li>• Advise and support the local council on resettling Syrians</li> <li>• Explore options to get all of their services under one roof.</li> </ul>	City Wide	£7,500	£10,000	£10,000	<p>Strong in terms of need and targeted work with asylum seekers and refugees who have recently arrived in the country and are living in Oxford.</p> <p>The panel recommend funding 100% of this request to contribute towards their core costs and for the additional demand that they will have on their services to support the Syrian families arriving in Oxford.</p> <p>This recommendation is conditional that this funding it is not used for work outside of the city.</p>
<p><b>Balsam Family Project</b> Balsam Family Project is a Christian charity which seeks to express God's compassion for all families following biblical principles of love, honour and restoration.</p> <p>Funding has been requested to support 5 families from Oxford to access the project for one year.</p>	City Wide	Nil	£10,000	£0	<p>Outlined in the Grants Programme Prospectus are the things that Oxford City Council will not fund. One of those items is projects promoting a religion or faith.</p> <p>As a Christian charity one of the main objectives of the Balsam Family Project is to advance the Christian faith.</p> <p>The panel agreed that the application was unclear whether faith would be promoted during the work and support they give families on this project.</p> <p>Therefore the recommendation is not to fund.</p>

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<p><b><u>Berkshire, Buckinghamshire &amp; Oxfordshire Wildlife Trust (BBOWT)</u></b>                      BBOWT protects and speaks up for our wildlife, runs events and works to inspire children to discover our natural world.</p> <p>Funding has been requested to contribute towards an element of the Oxford Festival of Nature, the Wild Fair that is the corner stone of the event and will comprise of a variety of talks, stalls wildlife exhibits and family activities.</p>	City Wide	Nil	£10,000	£2,000	The panel recommend funding £2,000 towards the infrastructure and promotion of the Wild Fair and to link in with the Councils Locality Officers to ensure there is promotion in priority areas of the City
<p><b><u>Bicester Green</u></b>                      Based in Bicester, Bicester Green is a Centre for people to learn new skills with a focus on sustainability using second hand items.</p> <p>Funding has been requested to deliver three workshops. One at Barton, Rose Hill and Blackbird Leys. They will use waste wood to bring people of all ages together, to work together and learn new skills and build a sense of community and achievement.</p> <p>They will do this using their mobile workshop</p>	City Wide	Nil	£7,550	£0	The panel felt the application was unclear how they would engage with local residents and there was a lack of progression for anyone participating in one of the workshops.  Although data was provided that referred to the IMD it was unclear how a need was established with local people.  Therefore the recommendation is not to fund.

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<p><b>Blackbird Leys Adventure Playground</b> A facility for children aged 8 – 13 years old living in Blackbird Leys &amp; Greater Leys.</p> <p>Each week they are open Monday to Friday. During term time they are open from 3pm to 5.30pm and during half term holiday times they are open 10am to 4pm.</p> <p>They provide creative play and learning by getting the children involved with:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Growing fruit and vegetables, how to cook and eat them</li> <li>• How to repair your bicycle</li> <li>• Music project</li> <li>• Creative play including arts and crafts.</li> </ul> <p>Funding requested to contribute towards their core costs of running term time activities.</p>	<p>South East</p>	<p>£7,500</p>	<p>£10,000</p>	<p>£7,500</p>	<p>Strong in terms of need and delivered in an area of multiple deprivation and in one of the Councils priority areas.</p> <p>Children pay £1.50 a day to attend after school activities and £5 a day to attend half term holiday activities.</p> <p>The panel recommend funding 75% of their request.</p>
<p><b>Blackbird Leys Credit Union (BBLCU)</b> The BBLCU operates from the Blackbird Leys Community Centre.</p> <p>Funding has been requested to cover their staffing costs which will enable them to:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Deliver their face to face service</li> <li>• To continue discussions with Northampton credit union on a merger and</li> <li>• Look at developing a system for Halal Loans.</li> </ul>	<p>South East</p>	<p>Nil</p>	<p>£10,000</p>	<p>£0</p>	<p>With only 8.75% of member's savings out as loans, the panel were very concerned about the lack of sustainability for this organisation.</p> <p>Although there is value in the face to face service provided it is unclear what overall service the organisation is providing because their main business appears to be payment of benefits, wages and cashing cheques free of charge.</p> <p>Concerns were also raised about the faith focus of Halal loans.</p> <p>The recommendation is not to fund.</p>

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<p><b>Church of the Holy Family</b> This Church is located at the top of Garsington Road, Blackbird Leys.</p> <p>The application is requesting funding for a community musical performance planned to take place in Autumn 2016.</p>	South East	Nil	£8,000	£0	<p>Outlined in the Grants Programme Prospectus are the things that Oxford City Council will not fund. One of those items is projects promoting a religion or faith.</p> <p>It was noted that in the application it mentions how the production can bring about changes for individuals and they become members of the congregation.</p> <p>The panel agreed that this project inadvertently promotes a faith and therefore the recommendation is not to fund.</p>
<p><b>Clean Slate</b> This organisation is based at Upper Heyford and provides counselling and support to people who have suffered from abuse.</p> <p>Funding has been requested to support 16 people in Oxford</p>	City Wide	Nil	£6,000	£0	<p>Outreach work targeting people affected by abuse is funded through the Grants Commissioning programme.</p> <p>The recommendation is not to fund this application.</p>
<p><b>Clear Sky Children's Foundation</b> The Clear Sky Children's Foundation was established to offer flexible and accessible psychological support therapies including play therapy to children and young people across the UK</p> <p>They work with children exclusively in schools across Oxfordshire.</p> <p>Funding has been requested for their one to one play therapy service for children in Oxford.</p>	City Wide	Nil	£8,805	£0	<p>Outlined in the Grants Programme Prospectus are the things that Oxford City Council will not fund. A couple of those items are activities taking place in schools for children attending that school and activities that fall under a social care heading.</p> <p>The panel agreed that this project falls under both of these categories.</p> <p>Therefore the recommendation is not to fund.</p>

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<p><b>Community Emergency Food Bank (CEF)</b>                      The CEF operates from St Francis Church, Hollow Way and is open every Tuesday and Friday lunchtimes from 12 noon - 2pm.</p> <p>Funding has been requested to cover core running costs.</p>	City Wide	£5,000	£10,000	£5,000	<p>Strong on evidencing a need for a service supporting people facing a crisis.</p> <p>People accessing this service must be referred to them by GP's, social worker's, advice centres and community workers etc.</p> <p>The recommendation is to fund 50% of this request.</p>
<p><b>Creative Dementia Arts Network</b>                      The aim of this organisation is to raise awareness of the challenging stigma associated with dementia.</p> <p>To advance the health and wellbeing of people living with dementia and the people who care for them by promoting the use of creative arts.</p> <p>Funding has been requested to run an arts and activities programme that aims to meet the psychological and social needs of older people with disabilities including dementia and family carers:</p>	South East	Nil	£8,000	£0	<p>Outlined in the Grants Programme Prospectus are the things that Oxford City Council will not fund. A couple of those items are activities that are functions that are the responsibility of another public agency.</p> <p>The panel agreed that this work falls under this category particularly health and social care.</p> <p>Therefore the recommendation is not to fund.</p>
<p><b>Cotteslowe Community Association</b>                      Cotteslowe Community Association has requested funding to contribute towards their 3 week Summer Play Scheme 2016 for up to 55 children aged 5 to 11 years old.</p>	North	£2,500	£8,900	£4,450	<p>Strong on need and for children aged 5 to 11 years old of which the average attendance age is under 8 which means that the play scheme falls outside of the Holiday Activities grant programme.</p> <p>From previous years approximately 60% of the children attending will be from families on benefits.</p> <p>It was also noted that the cost per week is £50 per child from local families and £20 per children for families on benefits.</p> <p>The recommendation is to fund 50% of this request.</p>

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<p><b>Cotteslowe Seniors</b> A club for local people aged 60 plus living in Cotteslowe and the surrounding area.</p> <p>Cotteslowe Seniors meet every second and fourth Friday morning of the month, alternating a social meeting (usually with a speaker) with an outing to a place of interest. It currently has around 35 members and is managed by a part-time co-ordinator.</p> <p>Funding has been requested to contribute towards the cost of hiring wheel chair compatible transport.</p>	North	£1,000	£1,000	£1,000	<p>Strong on targeting and working with a vulnerable group within the local area of Cotteslowe.</p> <p>The panel noted that transport links in Cotteslowe are poor and there is a significant amount of isolation among the elderly in the area.</p> <p>The panel recommend funding 100% of this request towards the hire of adapted transport.</p>
<p><b>DeedMob</b> A new organisation establish this year that aims to develop a social media platform to match volunteers (Deeders) with those who need help.</p> <p>Funding has been requested to contribute towards equipment, marketing, thank you gestures, video and launch.</p>	City Wide	Nil	£10,000	£0	<p>Weak on need and not necessarily targeted towards areas of multiple deprivation.</p> <p>The panel agreed this was an expensive initiative and recommend not funding this request.</p>
<p><b>Donnington Doorstep Family Centre</b> A voluntary organisation that is based in East Oxford. Is open to all but focus support on children and young people facing particular difficulties and social exclusion.</p> <p>Funding has been requested to contribute towards their core costs to deliver the 'Drop In, Play Out' project which offers play focused activities for 7-18 year olds targeted at those at risk of social exclusion, anti-social behaviour or offending.</p>	East	£5,000	£10,000	£7,000	<p>Strong on need and targeted work with local vulnerable children and young people.</p> <p>The recommendation is to fund £7,000 towards this work.</p>

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<p><b><u>Dovecote Voluntary Parent Committee</u></b>                      The Dovecote play scheme runs on Greater Leys and is for children ages 4 - 14 years old.</p> <p>Funding is requested to contribute towards the holiday activities:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Two week Easter narrow board project for children aged 8-14 years old, and</li> <li>• Four week centre based summer scheme for children aged 4-12 years old.</li> </ul>	South East	£2,750	£10,000	£2,500	<p>The panel agreed that the Easter narrow boat project is eligible for the Holiday Activities grant programme and recommend that funding is requested for this element of the project through that programme.</p> <p>However it was noted that the average age of children attending the centre based summer project will not fit the criteria therefore the recommendation is to fund 25% towards the four week summer centre based scheme for 4 to 12 year old children.</p>
<p><b><u>Good Food Oxford</u></b>                      Good Food Oxford is a project of Resource Futures Ltd ( a company limited by Guarantee)</p> <p>The principle activity of the company is that of an independent environmental consultancy business that focuses on data collection to guide customers in the efficient use of material resources and engage people in adopting more sustainable practices.</p> <p>Funding has been requested to run three series of cooking workshops targeting adults in Blackbird Leys, Barton and Rose Hill using food surplus from the Oxford Food Bank.</p>	City Wide	Nil	£7,985	£0	<p>This application is requesting the total costs of the project and the panel questioned what value for money the project gave.</p> <p>It was unclear what would be delivered for less than the full amount and the application did not justify full support.</p> <p>Therefore the recommendation is not to fund.</p>
<p><b><u>Headington Action</u></b>                      Funding has been requested to contribute towards the Headington Festival,</p> <p>The festival is due to take place over two days in June 2016.</p>	North East	Nil	£2,000	£500	<p>A popular local event and the recommendation is to fund them £500 towards insurance costs for the event.</p>

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<p><b>Home Start</b> Home Start is based in the Blackbird Leys Community Centre. They recruit and train volunteers who can offer befriending at times of stress. They work towards increasing the confidence and independence of the parent through a variety of initiatives.</p> <p>Funding has been requested to fund a Family Support Worker for 12 months who will provide specialised support in highly complex families where volunteer support may not be sufficient.</p>	South East	Nil	£7,829	£0	<p>Outlined in the Grants Programme Prospectus are the things that Oxford City Council will not fund. One of those items is activities that fall under social care.</p> <p>The panel agreed that this work falls into this category. Therefore the recommendation is not to fund.</p>
<p><b>Innovista ( Thrive Project)</b> The Thrive project is a youth project working in Barton.</p> <p>Funding has been requested to run a young leaders programme targeting NEET young people living on Barton.</p> <p>The project will work with 8 young people to equip them with 'soft' skills (resilience, emotional management, conflict resolution) and leadership skills.</p> <p>The young people will then be supported to develop and lead their own community project in Barton.</p>	North East	£6,000	£8,000	£8,000	<p>Strong on need and targeting vulnerable young people in the local area helping them to gain new skills and resilience.</p> <p>The recommendation is to fund 100% of this request.</p>

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<p><b><u>International Brigade Memorial Trust (IBMT)</u></b>                      The IBMT runs to keep the memory of those who died in the Spanish War remembered by assisting in the construction and maintaining of war memorials.</p> <p>Funding has been requested to contribute towards a memorial for 6 volunteers from Oxford that died during this conflict.</p>	<p>Central, South &amp; West</p>	<p>Nil</p>	<p>£4,000</p>	<p>£0</p>	<p>The panel were unclear what the need was and due to limitations on the budget the recommendation is not to fund.</p>
<p><b><u>JACARI</u></b>                      Jacari is a student charity providing home tutoring for children aged 4-16 who don't speak English as their first language.</p> <p>Students spend an hour a week helping a child in the areas in which they are struggling. This has been proven to result in improved performance at school and an increase in the child's confidence outside the classroom.</p> <p>They also provide English lessons for the Mothers of the children they work with.</p>	<p>City Wide</p>	<p>Nil</p>	<p>£10,000</p>	<p>£2,000</p>	<p>Strong on need and targeting under performing children and young people living in OX3 and OX4 areas of the City.</p> <p>The panel recommend funding £2,000 towards their core running costs.</p>
<p><b><u>Leys Community Development Initiative – Clockhouse Project.</u></b>                      The Clockhouse Project delivers activities that address the needs of older people in the Leys to help them feel less isolated and alone.</p> <p>Funding has been requested to contribute towards providing low cost activities for older people living on the Leys to contribute towards the support costs to run and organise these activities.</p>	<p>South East</p>	<p>£7,500</p>	<p>£10,000</p>	<p>£7,000</p>	<p>Strong in terms of need and a project targeted towards older people living in the Leys which is an area of multiple deprivation.</p> <p>The panel recommend funding £7,000 of this request with the condition that outreach is continued to encourage older people from both side of the estates to get involved and take part in the activities</p>

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<p><b><u>Leys News (Oxford Community Media)</u></b>                      Leys News is a community paper that provides news and information about local events and issues, training and learning opportunities and advice on pertinent issues for local people on Blackbird Leys and Greater Leys.</p> <p>Funding has been requested to contribute towards the costs for them to continue to support community groups across Oxford in publishing their own local community newspapers.</p> <p>This professional support includes editorial guidance, design, production, management and business development.</p> <p>They will also provide community journalism training, office work experience, skills development and potential employment opportunities.</p>	<p>City Wide</p>	<p>£10,000</p>	<p>£10,000</p>	<p>£7,000</p>	<p>Strong in terms of targeted work with community groups in priority areas of the City.</p> <p>Currently working with 7 community newspaper groups in Cowley, Rose Hill, Wood Farm, Barton, Northway, Risinghurst, Quarry &amp; Sandhills plus Blackbird Leys.</p> <p>The panel recommends funding £7,000 of this request to contribute towards continued support for these local newspapers.</p>
<p><b><u>Open Door</u></b>                      Open Door provides a weekly drop in and sign posting service for local refugees and asylum seekers at East Oxford Community Centre.</p> <p>They also provide a free hot meal and a space to meet.</p> <p>Funding is requested to cover 5 months project costs from May to September 2016.</p>	<p>East</p>	<p>£4,465</p>	<p>£4,300</p>	<p>£2,966</p>	<p>Strong in terms of targeted work with minority groups living in the City.</p> <p>The panel noted that generally they provide the first step before going to or being sign posted to Asylum Welcome.</p> <p>Due to budget limitations, the panel recommend funding £2,966 towards rent, co-ordinator and admin costs for this drop in service.</p>

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<p><b><u>Our Community Time Bank</u></b>                      The aim of the community time bank is to encourage people to volunteer for the benefit of the wider community.</p> <p>Members can build up time by doing a job for another member then bank that time to claim back at a later date.</p> <p>Funding has been requested to engage with older people in the area to encourage them to get involved to exchange time, skills and opportunities.</p>	City Wide	Nil	£3,600	£0	The panel felt this was a good initiative but due to budget limitations the recommendation is not to fund.
<p><b><u>Oxford City of Sanctuary</u></b>                      The Oxford City of Sanctuary is requesting funding for a project called Host Oxford.</p> <p>The project recruits Hosts who are members of the public who have spare rooms and who are willing to offer this accommodation free to homeless asylum seekers or refugees on a temporary basis.</p> <p>Funding is requested to pay for a part time manager to coordinate host assessments and guest placements.</p>	City Wide	Nil	£10,000	£5,000	<p>The panel agreed that this project addresses the need of people who are not eligible for existing support.</p> <p>It demonstrates good partnership working and compliments rather than competes with other services.</p> <p>The recommendation is to fund 50% of the recommendation.</p>
<p><b><u>Oxfordshire Family Mediation</u></b>                      Oxfordshire Family Mediation provides assistance to family members where relationships are in crisis or have broken down.</p> <p>Funding has been requested to fund sessional workers supporting children affected by parental separation.</p>	City Wide	Nil	£8,000	£0	<p>Outlined in the Grants Programme Prospectus are the things that Oxford City Council will not fund. One of those items is projects or activities that fall under social care.</p> <p>The panel agreed that this work falls into this category. Therefore the recommendation is not to fund.</p>

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<p><b><u>Oxfordshire Play Association</u></b>                      This organisation provides practical and professional support to all those who provide children and young people with opportunities to play.</p> <p>They also directly deliver play and activity days across the County.</p> <p>Funding is requested to contribute towards 4 play and activity days across the City (Barton, Cutteslowe, South Oxford &amp; Blackbird Leys) during the summer of 2016.</p>	City Wide	£2,500	£8,900	£2,500	<p>Due to budget limitations the panels recommendation is to fund one play and activity day to should take place at Cutteslowe because there will be other family activity days taking place at Blackbird Leys and Barton while South Oxford is not a priority area.</p>
<p><b><u>Oxfordshire Science Festival</u></b>                      Science Oxford is an organisation that wants to inspire school children to pursue and explore science.</p> <p>The Science Festival is dedicated to engaging people in science by offering accessible, creative and relevant activities to the broadest range of people.</p> <p>Funding has been requested to cover the Town Hall charges for room and equipment hire to hold the opening weekend of the event.</p>	Central, South & West	Nil	£10,000	£0	<p>The panel felt this was an expensive event and due to budget limitations the recommendation is not to fund.</p>
<p><b><u>Restore – Elder Stubbs Festival</u></b></p> <p>Funding requested to contribute towards the cost of organising and running the 25<sup>th</sup> Elder Stubbs Festival planned to take place in August 2016</p>	Cowley	£3,891	£6,198	£3,099	<p>A popular annual event that works to dispel the misconceptions around mental health issues.</p> <p>The panel recommend funding 50% of this request towards the volunteer recruitment and training, plus the practical infrastructure items such as hire of toilets, first aid, sound equipment etc.</p>

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<p><b>Rose Hill Junior Youth Club (RHJYC)</b>                      RHJYC runs a weekly session for children aged 6-8 years old (Wednesdays) and 9-11 years old (Thursdays) during term time.</p> <p>100 children attend each week to enjoy the opportunity to play while developing social, emotional and life skills through activities and the support provided by the club.</p> <p>Funding has been requested to cover room hire charges at the new Rose Hill community centre.</p>	<p>South East</p>	<p>£1,000 (through small grants programme)</p>	<p>£10,000</p>	<p>£7,500</p>	<p>Strong on need and targeted work in an area of multiple deprivation.</p> <p>The panel recommend funding 75% of request.</p>
<p><b>South Oxford Adventure Playground</b>                      Based off Whitehouse Road, South Oxford Adventure Playground is a supervised playground for children and young people aged 7 to 15 years old.</p> <p>Funding is requested to contribute towards the core costs for a programme of school holiday play schemes that will run during 2016 at Easter, Spring and Summer.</p>	<p>City Wide</p>	<p>£10,000</p>	<p>£10,000</p>	<p>£8,000</p>	<p>A popular facility and the recommendation is to fund £8,000 of this request.</p>
<p><b>The Oxford Academy</b>                      Funding has been requested for a project called Old School.</p> <p>An intergenerational project that links young people with older people.</p> <p>They are partnered up one to one and meet up for a minimum of an hour each week in order to help each other in any way needed.</p> <p>Funding has been requested to contribute towards staffing and administration of the project.</p>	<p>South East</p>	<p>Nil</p>	<p>£10,000</p>	<p>£0</p>	<p>Outlined in the Grants Programme Prospectus are the things that Oxford City Council will not fund. A couple of those items are activities taking place in schools for children attending that school.</p> <p>The panel agreed that this project falls under this category.</p> <p>Therefore the recommendation is not to fund.</p>

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<p><b>Trax Motor Project</b>                      Trax motor project was originally set up to provide an alternative to custodial sentences for young car crime offenders; it now offers a more comprehensive level of education and support.</p> <p>Their courses are based around mechanics and other practical skills such as catering and gardening, and more recently push bikes.</p> <p>Funding has been requested to contribute towards their pushbike project to build specialist bikes for disabled young people.</p>	City Wide	Nil	£8,721	£0	<p>Based at the Red Barn by Peartree roundabout. Their lease is up for renewal December 2016.</p> <p>Due to their location the panel had some concerns about whether this area was due for redevelopment and questioned the long term viability of the project.</p> <p>There was nothing in their application to address this and due to budget limitations the recommendation is not to fund.</p>
<p><b>WEA Oxford</b>                      The Workers' Educational Association (WEA) is a provider of adult education. The Oxford branch is based in Temple Cowley.</p> <p>Funding has been requested to run a community arts project in Wood Farm and Barton.</p> <p>Targeting ethnic minority groups, the elderly, lone parents and the unemployed</p>	North East & Churchill	£4,393	£9,940	£2,485	<p>This organisation provides a progression into adult education and has a good track record.</p> <p>The recommendation is to fund 25% of the request to provide a community art project in Wood Farm.</p>
<p><b>Wood Farm Youth Centre</b>                      Funding has been requested to contribute towards the continuation of the youth sessions in 2016.</p>	North East	£7,000	£9,600	£7,000	<p>Strong in terms of need and targeted work with vulnerable young people and in a priority area of the city.</p> <p>A facility that is still much needed in the area.</p> <p>Due to budget limitation the recommendation is to fund the same level as 2015/16.</p>

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<p><b>Yellow Submarine</b>                      Yellow Submarine is located in Park End Street, in Oxford.</p> <p>They work with young people in community settings from the age of 11 years old who have learning disabilities and autism.</p> <p>Funding has been requested to contribute towards a project called Launchpad.</p> <p>Launchpad runs weekly for young adults aged 18 – 30 years old. It's a social club that provides a means for them to improve their social skill, independence and opportunities onto employment.</p>	City Wide	Nil	£6,740	£0	The panel agreed that this work would be more suited towards youth ambition funding.  Therefore the recommendation is not the fund.
<b>Totals</b>		<b>£95,499</b>	<b>£323,668</b>	<b>£105,000</b>	

