#### RECORD OF EXECUTIVE DECISION

## Monday, 13 February 2012

**Decision No: (CAB 11/12 7589)** 

DECISION-MAKER: CABINET

PORTFOLIO AREA: HOUSING

SUBJECT: 2012/13 GRANTS TO VOLUNTARY ORGANISATIONS

AUTHOR: Roma Andrews

### THE DECISION

- (i) To approve the grant recommendations set out in the attached Appendix 1.
- (ii) To delegate authority to the Manager of the Communities Team following consultation with the Cabinet Member for Housing to allocate Community Chest grants during the year.
- (iii) To delegate authority to the Manager of the Communities Team following consultation with the Cabinet Member for Housing to allocate the unallocated budget of £31,721 during the year as grants to voluntary organisations for crisis funding, exceptional projects or any ad hoc grant applications received during the year that meet the council's funding priorities.
- (iv) To delegate authority to the Director of Economic Development following consultation with the Cabinet Member for Housing to:
  - determine any outstanding applications for grants for 2012/13 and to authorise grants to applicants subject to remaining within approved budgets
  - do anything necessary to give effect to allocation of grants for 2012/13

#### **REASONS FOR THE DECISION**

- 1. Southampton City Council has a long history of supporting the contribution of the voluntary and community sector to the City with grants, contracts and other help in kind.
- On 27th October 2011 it was agreed under officer delegated authority to suspend the 2012/13 grants process and renew 2011/12 grants for another year until 31st March 2013 and report to Cabinet on the detail of those grants.

# **DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS**

The option of continuing the current open, competitive grant application process for awarding grants in 2012/13 was considered and rejected as it perpetuates annual short term decision making when the council needs to be making long term strategic decisions about its grant making process.

OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION	
None	
CONFLICTS OF INTEREST	
None	
CONFIRMED AS A TRUE RECORD  We certify that the decision this document records was made in accordance with the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2000 and is a true and accurate record of that decision.	
Date:	Decision Maker:
13 February 2012	The Cabinet
	Proper Officer:
	Judy Cordell
SCRUTINY Note: This decision will come in to force at the expiry of 5 working days from the date of publication subject to any review under the Council's Scrutiny "Call-In" provisions.	
Call-In Period expires on	
Date of Call-in (if applicable) (this suspends implementation)	
Call-in Procedure completed (if applicable)	
Call-in heard by (if applicable)	
Results of Call-in (if applicable)	