



East Ayrshire
COUNCIL

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Organisation

ALLIES

Reference Number **CG4976**

grant assessment form

1 Aims and objectives of the organisation

To relieve poverty and to promote the benefits of homeless persons in the Ayrshire area, without distinction of sex or sexual orientation or race or of political or religious or other opinions, who are in conditions of need, hardship or distress.
To advance the education of the public, authorities and agencies concerning the problems faced by homeless persons who are in necessitous circumstances and to help homeless and vulnerable people lead settled and fulfilling lives.

2 Purpose of the grant (including breakdown of costs)

To provide supplies for the provision of food within the drop-in facility, upgrade and repair to equipment for use as an educational and organisational resource costs towards volunteer expenses and general running costs.

Volunteer expenses	£1000	Insurance	£500	
Food	£1000	Telephone	£500	
Heating/electricity	£1000	Rent	£500	TOTAL £4500

3a How many people are on the organisation's Management Committee? 4

3b What is the organisation's total membership? 97

3c How many members usually attend the organisation's meetings or events? 30(gen)
100(events)

3d How many members of the organisation would benefit from the grant? All

3e How many members of the community would benefit from the grant? 350+

**4 How will the grant :-
(a) develop the organisation; or**

Provision of volunteer expenses will enable the group to encourage participation of volunteers to offer their much needed support to develop services within the project.

(b) benefit the local community.

Service users will be provided with basic essentials to survive whilst homeless and will also have access to information and support to assist them with securing a home, job and/or access to additional specialist support services where required.

All questions on this form must be completed

5	Total cost of project		£ 65,300
	Amount of grant requested		£ 4,500
	Bank Balance(s)	Date 29 July 2011	£(1) £32669.11 (2)£17159.20
	Where the group has more than one bank account all balances should be recorded		
Cash in hand		Date	£ Varies daily
Value of any other financial assets		Date As at Sept 2010	£ 4553
Name of other funding sources			
EAC Education Dept; Robertson Trust; Lloyds TSB Foundation; Scottish Community Foundation			
Amount and date of grant			
£		Date	
£20,000 EAC		2011/12 (EAC)	
4,000 RobertsonTrust		Not detailed	
4,000 TSB		"	
1,000 Scottish Community Foundation (awaiting decision)		"	

6	If latest balance (including other financial assets) exceeds the cost of the project or is substantial, are these funds ring-fenced for the normal activities of the group or can they contribute to the cost of the project?
	Designated funds: group has £25,000 for development fund and £12,000 for contingency fund that is set aside from available funds and cannot be accessed for this project. Other monies form part of funding for another project and other monies are accounted for as grants received for this project from other agencies as stated.

7	Recommendation	
	Support	✓
	Refuse	
	Defer	
Amount	£405.00	FINAL RECOMMENDATION - £107.00
Recommended		
Reason for recommendation		
Very worthwhile and much needed support given by the project to homeless community ex-offenders. However this should be held until end of grant report for last grant (CG4771) is completed and received to ensure that there is no crossover of grant funding.		
Notwithstanding the provision which the Committee have made in previous years regarding the use of uncommitted balances for applications from newly formed organisations or in respect of emergency applications, a grant award is recommended in this case since the organisation has not previously had grant funding from this Committee and is based outwith the Committee's area and therefore would not have been advised of the arrangements for submission of grant applications by the closing date in February.		
Whilst the merit recommendation is for a grant of £405.00 in respect of the Wards 7 and 8 element, a final recommendation of £107.00 is made which reflects the average percentage grant awarded (26.4%) within the Social Inclusion category (within which category this application is included), as compared to the amounts applied for.		
Management Risk Ranking	L / M / H	Child Protection Risk Ranking L / M / H
Risk Ranking based on Grant Application and Financial Information used to determine appropriate levels of monitoring and evaluation.		Applications with a HIGH ranking are not recommended for support

8	If there are any revenue implications how will they be met in future years?
	N/A

9	Does the project represent value for money?	Yes ✓	No

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10 Cross boundary grant (if applicable) and division per committee (the calculation should identify the corresponding number of individuals within the respective Local Committee areas who will directly benefit from the grant award)

		Nos	Amount	%
Northern Local Grants Committee				
Central North Local Grants Committee		21	945	21%
Central South Local Grants Committee		67	3015	67%
Southern Local Grants Committee	Cumnock Area	9	405	9%
	Doon Valley	3	135	3%
Other areas outwith EA				
Method of Division				