



East Ayrshire
COUNCIL

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Organisation
PEACE (Childcare)

Reference Number
CG3469

grant assessment form

1	Aims and objectives of the organisation	Peace aims to support Parents/Guardians in balancing work, training and family commitments by providing a Before School and After School Care Service during term time and a full daycare Service during in service days and holidays.
2	Purpose of the grant (including breakdown of costs)	To bring the Peace Childcare Service up to date technologically by purchasing 6 Lap Tops for Service Managers to aid communication internally between Peace Out of School Care Services and externally with funders, monitoring agencies etc. (6 x £400) To enable children to benefit from gaining access to the internet in terms of gaining access to play activities and enabling them to research information re homework projects. (6 x £300 for Computers and 6 x £300 for Internet access.
3a	How many people are on the organisation's Management Committee?	8
3b	What is the organisation's total membership?	600 +
3c	How many members usually attend the organisation's meetings or events?	30
3d	How many members of the organisation would benefit from the grant?	355
3e	How many members of the community would benefit from the grant?	355
4	How will the grant :- (a) develop the organisation; or	The grant would promote community learning a) by enabling the children being cared for to have access to a variety play activities on line and access to a wide range of information to assist with homework projects.
	(b) benefit the local community.	The Peace Service Managers will have access to information on line which assist them in providing their childcare service to the local community in which they work in a more "business like way".

All questions on this form must be completed

5	Total cost of project		£8000
	Amount of grant requested		£6000
	Bank	Date 1/9/06	£58,964.54
	Balance(s)		
	Where the group has more than one bank account all balances should be recorded		
Cash in hand	Date	£	
Value of any other financial assets		Date	£
Name of other funding sources			
Amount and date of grant			
£	Date		
	£40,280 CURRENTLY BEING PROGRESSED IN SLA AGREEMENT		

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?
	We have been encouraging the organisation to establish a reserve fund and the Draft Accounts prepared by the Service Manger for 2005/6 show £20,000 in a reserve governed by a reserve policy recently agreed by the management committee.

7	Recommendation	
	Support	
	Refuse	REFUSE
	Defer	
	Amount	£
Recommended		
Reason for recommendation		
It is difficult for out of school care services to be self sustaining on fee income alone. The Scottish Executive recognises this and provides Childcare Strategy Funding to Councils to support childcare services. East Ayrshire Council allocates and distributes this funding through an agreed Funding Formula. The allocation to PEACE IN 2006 – 07 IS £40,280 which will be downloaded to the organisation in late December when the Service Level Agreement has been fully signed. This funding equates to approximately 10% of PEACES 's annual turnover. The Council is also funded by the Executive to support the upskilling of the childcare workforce and a number of PEACE staff access free qualifications and training opportunities through this.		
On the basis that Peace has access to significant financial support through the above specific funding streams whilst other community groups do not, and because there are other external sources which could possibly fund the proposal, this application is not supported.		
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?
	Yearly subscriptions for internet access will be paid for by Peace.

9	Does the project represent value for money?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>

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	%
Cumnock Area			
Doon Valley			
Kilmarnock Central			
Kilmarnock North			
Kilmarnock South			
Irvine Valley			
Northern Area			
Other areas outwith EA			
Method of Division	The Group have provided addresses of users of their service but have not included all post code areas.		

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