

GRANTS MONITORING FORM SUMMARIES

APPENDIX B

A.D.H.D SUPPORT GROUP (Harrow) ---- £ 2,460

OBJECTIVES - To educate parents and carers in the management of sufferers of ADHD through support group meetings, behaviour management and a limited information library.

- The primary objective was to convey information about ADHD in the form of a booklet. The main reasons for the grant was for the publication & prints of books about parent training and anger management courses.
- The targets were met via the establishment of the above courses.
- A significant achievement that was made was that the organisation was able to move to new premises, and now is able to offer a place for parents to come and receive information & support. Also a 'lending library' has been started so more information and advice may be obtained about ADHD.

AFGHAN ASSOCIATION OF LONDON (HARROW) ---- £ 3,584

OBJECTIVES - To continue to provide a professional and effective advice service to Afghan refugees and asylum seekers in Harrow, on issues such as immigration, health, housing, education and employment.

- Also, to provide mother tongue and English supplementary school facilities for the Afghan community.
- The grant was needed to financially support and promote these services. It was also needed for general running costs, publicity, educational & health projects and women's group activities.
- Many of the targets had been met; major achievements were the Quality Mark award. Funding has also been secured from other funding sources. Many of the translation and interpretation classes are continuing and the seminars as well.
- Also, an additional office has been opened in Wembley, to serve clients in Brent. The grant was used for running costs and general services.

ASIAN ELDERLY GROUP (Harrow) ---- £ 1,670

OBJECTIVES - To strengthen the voice of elderly Asians in Harrow, by supporting them through their needs & aspirations.

- The grant was needed to provide a suitable venue for members to come together & socialise at organised events, while their carers could have a break.
- Also to allow Elderly Asian people to gain self-confidence and achieve a feeling of belonging. A grant was required for part-time staff, day to day admin and to pay the rent of a hall.
- The major achievement was the securing of a venue (Gateway House, North Harrow) where clients could meet up for social & cultural activities.

- At this venue assistance was provided to those members who were Illiterate in English. The grant was originally required for salaries & running costs, but the bulk of it, i.e. £ 1545 was used to pay for the rent of the hall.

CARRAMEA ---- £ 2,400

OBJECTIVES– To provide to members of ethnic minority backgrounds (including refugees, disabled people, students & unemployed people) with the opportunity to develop ICT skills at a variety of levels in a confidence – building environment. This would allow participants to move on to work-experience placements with CARRAMEA member- organisations.

- Many of the targets were successfully achieved; ICT skills were developed for the target groups (statistics are available). At the same time a confident and welcoming environment was created by those involved.

- With the help of the grant, expenses were covered for the volunteers who delivered & managed the training project. The grant also contributed towards software, equipment, fax, Internet and e-mail facilities.

COMMUNITY ACCOUNTANCY SELF-HELP (C.A.S.H) ---- £ 1,000

OBJECTIVES– To support Harrow's voluntary sector, encourage community development, self-help and enterprise by empowering groups with community accountancy skills.

- To strengthen the voluntary and community sectors by increasing their level of financial skills at volunteer, finance & trustee levels.

- The grant was needed for community accountancy advice to groups, training sessions, management committee training sessions & CASH News.

- A lot of the objectives were met. Evidence shows advice was provided to more than 15 groups, 4 days of training had been carried out; evening training sessions for 2 management committees and CASH News was distributed to 400 Harrow voluntary organisations.

- The grant was spent on salary costs and the CASH news. CASH has become more established in Harrow and is recognised as the voluntary sector's main source of help with financial & accountancy matters.

DeafPLUS ---- £ 500

OBJECTIVES– DeafPLUS mobile advisory service is a Resource centre 'on wheels' for deaf & hard of hearing people.

- Their main aim was to provide deaf & hard of hearing people with the means to achieve their potential through information services, training programmes & one-to-one support.

- The grant was needed for advice & information which was to be given on a wide range of issues both on a local and national level. Also for equipment which was specially designed for deaf & hard of hearing people.

- Moreover with help towards running costs, volunteer expenses, printing/publicity etc.

- A lot of the objectives were met, the grant was used towards the running costs of the MAS (Mobile Advisory Service), the cost of literature, equipment, demonstrations and advice.

EAST AFRICAN WELFARE & DEVELOPMENT CONCERN ---- £ 1000

OBJECTIVES – The main aims were to provide essential services to clients such as, interpreting, translating and housing. Also to assist unemployed Somali people with their search for employment.

- The grant was needed for paying volunteers expenses and to cover the running costs of the office.
- The grant was spent on admin, volunteers & running costs.
- Their major achievements were that 1 part-time personal advisor was employed, supplementary classes were established & ESOL classes have begun.

HARROW AGENDA 21 ENVIRONMENTAL FORUM ---- £ 1,500

OBJECTIVES– Harrow Agenda 21's main purpose was to work with various organisations (LBH, the private sector & voluntary organisations), in order to develop & implement practical projects to progress the goals of sustainability, with significant emphasis on environmental issues.

- The grant was needed for a borough wide conference for all voluntary groups in 2002, to identify concerns and develop plans for applications for new opportunity funds. It was also needed to support admin costs, preparation of publicity material for the conference & the annual report.
- A lot of the objectives were achieved, a half-day event was organised on 6th June 2002 in Harrow Civic Centre, with the AGM meeting being held in the evening.
- Also a 'Green Advice' newsletter was produced, Annual Report Artwork and leaflets were produced by the Transport & Air Pollution group. A significant achievement was the start-up of the London Green website Project.

HARROW ANTI-RACIST ALLIANCE ---- £ 1,500

OBJECTIVES – Harrow ARA is a multi-ethnic organisation which supports people subject to racial discrimination/harassment. This is done by providing advice, guidance & support to people and families experiencing social exclusion and racial harassment.

- Also by providing work experience, NVQ skills & ICT training.
- The grant was to be used for volunteer & administrative expenses to sustain, develop and expand the teams that carry out their activities.
- Many of the targets were achieved; many beneficiaries participated in the Harrow fora including MAF, HPCCG, HIAP etc. Support was provided to more than 70 cases subject to racial harassment /discrimination. Moreover, work-experience was provided for 20 unemployed people.
- The grant also helped towards administrative costs (telephone, fax, Internet), travelling expenses for volunteers, the set-up of a web-site for the 'Our Harrow' project and expenditure for training.

HARROW CHURCHES BEREAVEMENT VISITING SCHEME ---- £ 6,688

OBJECTIVES – The main aim was to relieve the suffering and distress caused by bereavement among the inhabitants of the London Borough of Harrow and the surrounding areas.

- This was done by offering support, increasing public awareness of the needs of bereaved people, training & supervising suitable volunteers and offering training to other agencies engaged in similar work.
- The grant was needed for the continuation of the training programme, the training of new volunteers and the annual conference. It was also needed for running costs, such as premises, insurance, photocopier and office costs.
- A lot of the targets were met in the form of the training programme being continued. Figures showed that 65 people attended courses in 2002 and 12 new experienced visitors had further training particularly in relation to children. Also as requested the grant was used to cover core costs. In 2002 there were 272 referrals and over 1000 people had been contacted with an offer of support.
- Major achievements were the appointment of a Children's Advocate, the development of links with ethnic minorities, training targeted towards those with learning difficulties & special needs and an increase in accessibility for children.

HARROW CITIZENS ADVICE BUREAU ---- £ 84,750

OBJECTIVES – To provide a free, independent, advice service to the Harrow community. The service is staffed by voluntary advisors and managed by paid workers.

- The grant was used for general advice to the public regarding employment, immigration, welfare benefits & general advice.

HARROW COMMUNITY TRANSPORT ---- £ 5,000

OBJECTIVES – To provide reasonably priced specially adapted transport for people with disabilities who cannot use public transport.

- The grant was to be used for administration expenses and maintenance of the vehicles.
- The grant was spent on meeting expenses and servicing vehicles.

HARROW COUNCIL FOR RACIAL EQUALITY ---- £ 39,804

OBJECTIVES– HCRE 's main aim is to eliminate racial discrimination and to promote racial equality within Harrow. They work with and provide support to the local community organisations and individuals from Black and other minority groups as well as to offering advice, support, assistance and representation under the Race Relations Act.

- A lot of the targets were met. The grant was used to employ administrative staff and to meet the cost of the overall running of the office.
- The organisation was awarded Quality Mark Status; it is now authorised to provide Immigration advice and services.
- It has also played an active role in the Junior Citizen Scheme run by the Met Police in which 10 schools in Harrow took part, advocacy work in education, support for black /ethnic minority carers and support for Asian victims of domestic violence.

HARROW GINGERBREAD ---- £ 1,325

OBJECTIVES – The main aims of this organisation were to provide a meeting place for lone parents and their children.

- To provide information and advice through moral and emotional support and to give practical help to all those involved.
- The grant was needed for a recruitment drive, IT training (Internet access), and a new and improved newsletter.
- Most of the targets were achieved, but there were some that were not. A lot more of the communication taking place has now become computerised, there has been an increase in membership conversion (in 70 enquiries, 11 joined).
- The grant was spent on IT equipment. The presentation & publicity of promotional materials has become much more professional. The literature has increased and children are much more involved through the newsletter. The most important achievement was obtaining Community Premises as their office base.

HARROW HERITAGE TRUST ---- £ 8,800

OBJECTIVES– To continue to expand & create the numerous services that are already provided by this organisation. It encourages school children, to enjoy the environment & heritage, through their 'Work with young people' programme. It has also administered a historic buildings grant scheme.

- The grant was needed for the maintenance and general up keeping of the environment for all members of society (irrespective of their backgrounds).
- A lot of the targets were met, through events such as 'walks & study days', work days & heritage trails. Other achievements were the one-day conference organised by the Harrow Nature Conservation Forum entitled 'Harrow Grey on Green' and the 'Kick- start' of the restoration of the West House, Pinner.

HARROW IRANIAN COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION ---- £ 3,375

OBJECTIVES – Providing a point of reference, for all newly arrived Iranian refugees and providing all types of support services to the Iranian community (e.g. social events, mother – tongue classes, home visits to elderly and handicapped persons).

- The grant was intended for running the office for 32 hours per week, escorting refugees & non English-speaking clients to GP and solicitors and providing English classes for adults.

- Many of the targets were met, such as the continuation of ESOL classes, obtaining Quality Mark Status, developing the Website and printing bi-lingual leaflets and circulars.
- Much of the grant was spent on refugee assistance, also on telephone, postage and other office expenditure.
- The major achievements were the increase in the number of students in Saturday School, organising single mother's club, extending partnership and services to other refugee organisations and organising gym classes for girls.

HARROW PENSIONERS ACTION ASSOCIATION ---- £ 385

OBJECTIVES/TARGETS – To assist all pensioners in Harrow with any problems, and help to improve their living standards.

- This was done by providing facilities & support services to all pensioners and a place where all members could meet up and visit places of interest.
- The grant was needed for running costs, outings and IT equipment.
- The targets were met. Most of the grant was spent on rent for a meeting hall for all the members; the rest was spent on affiliation fees to others that advised the organisation and its members.

HARROW PUBLIC TRANSPORT USERS' ASSOCIATION ---- £ 250

OBJECTIVES - To contribute towards the cost of running a Public Transport Users' committee and to look after their interests in the borough of Harrow. -

- The grant was needed for the advisory service, running costs and public meetings.
- The targets were met; the grant was also used for running costs such as postage, stationery etc.

HARROW REFUGEE FORUM ---- £ 2,550

OBJECTIVES – To develop the Harrow Refugee Forum further, provide a single coherent voice for the refugee & migrant population and to influence decisions and issues aimed specifically at the refugee population in Harrow.

- The grant was needed towards support for local refugee organisations and to improve the quality of the services they provide.
- The funding was directly used towards the co-ordinator post and one-to-one support for Refugee community organisations and groups. A number of quarterly meetings & regular workshops were held during the year and a management committee was established. The grant was also spent on volunteer expenses and running costs.
- Major achievements were the employment of a temporary administrator, the organisation of funding seminars for the Refugee community organisations, servicing the West London Refugee standing committee 'away day' & the first ever Refugee Week celebration in Harrow by promoting positive images of Refugees & Asylum seekers.

HARROW SCHOOL OF GYMNASTICS ---- £ 1,500

OBJECTIVES– To provide training & fitness (at all levels) to children & young people in gymnastics.

- The grant was needed to provide support for families, who were having difficulty meeting costs of training & competing. It was also needed as a form of a fee reduction and support with travelling, clothing and other running costs.

- A lot of the targets were met. A new application form was designed and a new approval procedure was started. Now every grant is documented by the organisation.

- The grant was spent on subsidising or waiving fees for families who could not afford them. Major achievements during the year were the Commonwealth Men's Champion 2002, introduced gymnastics for children with disabilities and success in regional and national competitions.

HARROW SPECIAL OLYMPICS ---- £ 1,500

OBJECTIVES– To continue to expand the sporting activities for the people of Harrow with learning disabilities.

- The grant was needed for the cost of travel and comprehensive insurance.

- Major achievements were that more invitations were being accepted for participation in Local & Inter-region events, which enabled some of the athletes to qualify for Special Olympics National Championships in August 2003.

- In 2002 some athletes were very successful at the London Athletics Championships.

HARROW TRAVELLERS YOUTH WORK PROJECT ---- £ 5,000

OBJECTIVES– To engage with small groups of young Travellers.

- Many of the targets were met through the provision to young Travellers of opportunities to learn new skills, embrace talent and engage in diverse experiences.

- Also by focusing groups of young Irish Travellers into engaging with activities that make positive use of their leisure time. The grant was used towards the employment of 2 Youth & Community Youth Workers for 12 months.

- The Young Irish Travellers were represented on the Harrow Young People's Forum. A major achievement was the development of links with high schools and the Education Social Work Team in the borough, with direct regard to the inclusion and participation of Young Irish Travellers.

HARROW VICTIM SUPPORT ---- £ 15,183

OBJECTIVES– To provide emotional support, advice & information to victims of crime living in Harrow. The establishment of a Witness Service in Harrow Magistrates Court.

- The grant was needed for general advice, and accompanying victims to court and police stations (including members of Black and Asian communities).
- The grant contributed towards the set-up and development of a full working Witness Service in the Magistrates' Court. A regular drop-in at Northwick Park Hospital has also been set up for Harrow residents. Continued publicity within the community, distribution of literature and developed partnership with Youth Offending Team to support victims of crime. The grant directly contributed towards salaries & other running costs.
- Major achievements have been the continued support to 4,236 referrals that included 716 domestic violence and 180 racist crimes. The witness service supported 262 witnesses in the Magistrates' Court. Also a lot more drop-in centres have been set up in various areas within the borough.

HEADWAY HARROW ---- £ 900

OBJECTIVES– To provide support, advice and information to the Acquired Brain Injured and their carers in the Harrow area. It was originally set-up as a self-help group; this was done by holding meetings, social events and physical activities to increase public awareness.

- The grant was needed for the continuation of the meetings held at the regional rehabilitation unit at Northwick Park Hospital and also for community publicity. It was also needed for affiliation fees, room hire, administration and social activities.
- The targets started to be met through the process of monthly meetings. The grant was directly used towards fundraising/publicity, meeting expenses, printing and postage.
- The major achievements include the possibility of setting up of a 'Headway House' in Harrow, for people with Acquired Brain Injuries. Also through consultation and partnership arrangements between Primary Care Trust & London Borough of Harrow Social Services Dept, they have identified the need for more support for those suffering ABI.

JAAGO PUNJABI WOMEN'S GROUP ---- £ 2,750

OBJECTIVES– The aim is to provide a meeting place for Punjabi women to socialise and promote the Punjabi language. Special functions are organised to encourage children to learn about their culture. The grant was needed for the expenditure of these classes and for the rent for the room at the Vaughan Centre.

- The grant was used entirely to pay for the rent at the Vaughan Centre.

KALA ANJALI ARTS CIRCLE ---- £ 1,500

OBJECTIVES– To promote South Asian songs, drama, dance, literature in the U.K. via schools and the community in order to provide Equal Opportunities in the Arts.

- Also to promote 'Cultural Identity and enrichment' via the Arts. The grant was needed for workshops in schools, community venues and community schools. It was also needed directly for equipment, administration, travel and resources.

- Many of the projects tried to emphasise the concept of 'community', instead of being 'school based'.

- The targets met included many cultural and religious activities that took place in schools. The grant was also used for training volunteers and musical instruments. Major achievements, have been the networking with Arts Organisations and partnerships and the promotion of good practice in valuing cultural diversity.

KURDISH ASSOCIATION ---- £ 2,166

OBJECTIVES– To respond to the increasing demands of the Kurdish youth who live in Harrow. To solve general and specific problems, and to provide advice to families concerning Kurdish children and youth matters.

- The grant was needed for running the centre and 'Mother-tongue', supplementary and Art classes and to hold meetings and seminars to enhance the users' and their parents' awareness.

- The targets were met successfully, via the classes held at Whitmore High School, where the targeted group could come together and learn through cultural and social activities. The Harrow Kurdish youth participated actively in the Harrow Refugee Week that was organised by the Harrow Refugee Forum and Harrow Racial Equality Council.

- The grant was spent on running the Mother - tongue and supplementary classes, also towards general staff costs and running costs. Main achievements have been the survival of the organisation despite the financial crisis that it was facing, securing important external funds and constantly developing and extending services to more groups within the Kurdish Society.

NETTLEFOLD TRUST - ----£ 2,000

OBJECTIVES– To present a Colourscape festival in Harrow.

- To present 2 full days of workshops for priority Harrow schools.

- To present Special Needs workshops.

- The Harrow Colourscape Festival took place in Roxeth Recreation Ground in early July 2002. Intended outcomes were that new skills were to be given to classroom teachers through colour, art and music to take on to future classes.

- The targets were met.

- Achieved a 4 day Colourscape festival.

- 2 days of workshops and all special needs schools targeted attended the workshops.
- The major achievement was that lottery funding was raised and 5 Colourscape Festivals were held.

PARKINSON'S DISEASE SOCIETY ---- £ 1,251

OBJECTIVES– To provide information, support and welfare to people with Parkinson's Disease living in the London Borough of Harrow.

- The grant was needed for the help towards the payment of Salary of the Welfare visitor and running costs.
- The targets were met through visits, published literature and all round emotional support.

RACIAL HARASSMENT SUB-COMMITTEE ---- £ 4,000

OBJECTIVES– The main aim is to combat racial harassment and to encourage publicity so the general public will feel encouraged to report cases.

- The grant was used for a publicity campaign and materials were produced which raised awareness, many cases (67%) referred by the Police were contacted.
- The grant also contributed towards monthly meetings and running costs e.g. phone-calls. The major achievements were that up to 90% of members were satisfied with their services, the constant improvement of the assessment of cases and the set-up of visits to local primary schools.

RUSSIAN IMMIGRANTS ASSOCIATION ---- £ 2,300

OBJECTIVES– To provide an advisory and information service to members of the Russian community, interpreting, mother-tongue classes, counselling and activities for youth & children.

- The grant was needed for meetings, seminars, events and recruitment of volunteers, running costs, cultural events and the interpreting service.
- Many of the targets were met, such as a new newsletter and general support services were introduced and provided successfully.
- Office conditions have improved as has the overall quality of the service, as a result of the grant.

SPECIAL CONNECTION ---- £ 1,575

OBJECTIVES – To continue and expand the running of the integrated drama workshops for children of all abilities by breaking down existing barriers between those with special educational needs and their peers.

- The grant was needed for the running of 2- day workshops, where groups of young people from both main stream & special schools worked together to produce a play.
- All the targets were met, the workshops were carried out successfully. Plans have been made for future workshops to take place, which would be specially designed, for 'profoundly' handicapped and visually impaired students.

- Major achievements have been the involvement of visually impaired young people in the workshops & the start up of 'cross borough' workshops involving Brent & Hillingdon.

TONGUES ON FIRE ---- £ 4,500

OBJECTIVES – To promote Asian Cinema and Arts by working with statutory and voluntary organisations. Also to hold an annual event (festival) of films, cultural and educational activities across London & nationally.

- The grant was needed for the compilation of college students' work (Short Films). At the same time arranging a venue for these to be exhibited, inviting professionals and relevant experts to give advice and comment.

- Many of the targets were met : facilitating network opportunities for young people at the National Film Theatre; the annual Asian Women's Film festival was successfully held and created understanding between different religious & community groups.

- The grant was used directly towards various events. Major achievements included an increase in number of audience, highlighting Asian Filmmakers and bringing cinema experience to marginalised groups

U.K. ASIAN WOMEN'S CONFERENCE ---- £ 2,345

OBJECTIVES – To help Asian women to cope with their day to day lives and problems arising from living in a joint family system, the generation gap, change of country & new environment. They do this by providing support, information & advice and by encouraging women to mix with other community members. They also organise cultural and social events, outings, visits and relaxation classes. The attendance of all these events and of the drop-in-centre is very good.

- The grant was directly used towards the rent of the room.

WINGED FELLOWSHIP TRUST ---- £ 1,713

OBJECTIVES – To provide quality breaks for people with a disability (based on individual need), to provide planned breaks for carers and to secure the involvement of volunteers.

- Many important targets were met, 83 carer breaks were provided for disabled residents of Harrow and accommodation was given to 11 volunteers from Harrow.

- The grant was used towards the provision of services to Harrow residents. The financial support also allowed disabled people to benefit from a change of environment and routine and access to various arts & environmental events.

- Major achievements included the provision of over 8,000 care breaks for disabled people, and help from over 6,000 volunteers. The breaks were extended to more overseas destinations, breaks to visually impaired & blind people were increased.

WOODCOTTES YOUTH CLUB ---- £ 5,000

OBJECTIVES – To strengthen the community, by giving the youth a structured safe place to be, through social interaction, arts, sport and leisure.

- The grant was needed for the project to deliver centre - based youth work and outreach work on 2 estates. It funded 2 part time youth workers, for 6hrs each a week for centre and outreach work on both estates.
- Many targets were met, the Woodcottes youth project engaged with groups of 8-16 yr olds on a twice weekly basis. These took place between April 2002 & March 2003, various other events also took place.
- Key information (advice & guidance) was provided to young people in a wide area of subjects that concern their personal/social development.
- The grant was directly used towards the 2 youth workers who were employed for 6 hours each per week for the duration of 12 months.