Application Form

Main Grants Programme 2012/2013

Name of organisation	
Name of Project/Activity	
Size of Grant	
Total Funding requested	Do not enter an amount here, this will be taken from 8b within the form £0.00

This application form can be downloaded at www.harrow.gov.uk/grantsprogramme



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Guidance notes to grant applicants

Harrow Council is inviting applications for funding from Third Sector organisations for 2012/13. Please ensure that you read these guidance notes fully before completing your application form as it contains important information. Each application will be judged on its merit based on the information provided in the form and will <u>not</u> take into account any previous funding received from the Council. **We recommend that organisations submit no more than ONE application for funding, concentrating on a key project or activity**. This is in order that the Council can distribute the available funding as widely as possible to support the voluntary and community sector to deliver services to borough residents.

We will fund:

- Revenue costs, such as staffing, volunteer costs, overheads etc.
- Projects or activities that contribute to the Council's corporate priorities.
- Projects or activities that tackle disadvantage, foster good relations and promote equality of opportunity.
- Projects or activities that provide value for money and added value in delivering outcomes.
- Projects or activities that have clear outcomes and plans for delivering these.
- Projects or activities that have clear plans for ensuring accessibility for the intended beneficiaries.

We will not fund:

- Activities that promote the adoption of a particular faith or religion.
- Activities that promote or oppose any political parties or cause.
- Projects or activities that the Council has a legal or statutory obligation to provide.
- Capital costs such as building work, office furniture, IT equipment etc.

Assessment criteria

Your application will be assessed against the following criteria:

- Evidence of need for the proposed project/activity and
- How the project/activity will address the need you have identified.
- How the project/activity tackles disadvantage, fosters good relations and promotes equality of opportunity.
- How your project/activity will deliver your proposed outcomes.
- How people can get involved and can access the project/activity.
- How your project/activity will give added value such as by using volunteers.
- Clear and realistic costs for the project/activity.
- Exit strategy beyond the life of this funding.

What happens next?

Once your application form has been received by the Grants Team we will send you an acknowledgement. There will be no further contact with your organisation during the assessment stage. Following the assessment of your application against the assessment criteria described above, the Grants Advisory Panel will make recommendations to Cabinet. After this process has been completed you will be notified of the outcome of your application. You will also receive details of the appeals process should you wish to appeal. It is only after the appeal stage that you will be notified of the final award amount, if the application has been successful.

Information sessions on the Main Grants Programme will take place in the Members Lounge Wednesday, 9th November between 2 to 4 pm and Monday, 14th November between 6 to 8 pm.

Please e mail <u>grants.grants@harrow.gov.uk</u> to reserve your place for the Information Session.

Please put "Information Session Reservation" in the e mail's subject line.

Places are limited and will be available on a first come first serve basis.

For further information please visit the website: www.harrow.gov.uk/grantsprogramme

MAIN GRANTS PROGRAMME 2012/2013

1ST April 2012 to 31st March 2013 (twelve months)

APPLICATION FORM

- ✓ Please read our 'Guidance notes to grant applicants' **carefully** before completing this form to ensure that your organisation is eligible.
- ✓ Our general conditions of grant funding (ref: Service Level Agreement can be found via www.harrow.gov.uk/grantsprogramme).
- ✓ You **must** answer every question on the application form in the spaces provided, failure to do so could result in your application being unsuccessful. The maximum number of characters that can be typed into each response box is shown in brackets after each question. A character is a letter, a number, a punctuation mark or a space.
- ✓ No additional or supplementary documents should be submitted as these will **not** be considered.
- ✓ Each application will be judged on its merit based on the information provided on the form ONLY and will **not** take into account any previous funding received from the Council.
- ✓ Projects/activities must be completed in the same financial year for which the application is made and all money must be spent by 31st March 2013.
- ✓ Please ensure that two authorised members of your organisation, one of whom must be a member of your management committee (i.e. Chair, Treasurer, or Secretary) sign the Declaration in Section 11 of this form.
- ✓ Relevant documents as listed in Section 10 should be available to send immediately to the Grants Office when they are requested.

PLEASE NOTE:

- ✓ The grant will be withdrawn if the correct supporting documents are not submitted when requested by the Council.
- ✓ The grants award must be used for the purpose it has been awarded or returned to the Council.
- ✓ Please ensure you keep a copy of your completed grant application form.
- ✓ The application form must be completed electronically on a computer.

 The Adobe Reader software for opening and entering information that can be downloaded at no charge from http://get.adobe.com/uk/reader.
- ✓ One copy of the application form must be returned by email to: grants.grants@harrow.gov.uk

In the subject line in the e mail please put Grant Application with your project/activity name.

As well as a **signed copy** returned to:

Grants Team
Harrow Council, Civic Centre Station Road
Harrow, Middlesex
HA1 2XF

Closing date: 12 noon on Monday 28th November 2011

LATE OR INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED

First Stage Assessment: Grant eligibility criteria

Please tick each box to confirm that your organisation meets all of the following eligibility criteria:

Your organisation must meet all of the criteria to be eligible to apply for a grant from Harrow Council.

Γhe orga	nisation:			
	Is a 'not for profit' Third Sector organisation delivering projects / activities for the benefit of people living, working or schooling in Harrow.			
	Is a properly constituted organisation that has a management committee and a bank account in the name of the organisation.			
	Is able to show that it is financially stable (see section 8a).			
	Has the required policy documents in place (see section 10).			
	Is able to provide two references that support their grant application (see section 9).			
you	If you do not meet all of these requirements your application cannot be considered for a grant from the grants programme.			

1. Organisation Contact Details

Name

Position in

Telephone

organisation

Name of organisation	
Organisation address	
Post code	
Correspondence address (if different to above)	
Post code	
Telephone	
Fax	
Website	
Organisation email address	
Contact Person	

Guidance	Note
1	

Please give the full <u>NAME</u> as it appears on your governing document, such as constitution, memorandum of understanding, etc. This should be the name of the organisation that will receive and sign the service level agreement, if the application is successful.

Organisation Contact Details:

The contact person should be a member of the management committee or a senior employee of the organisation. They must have the authority to complete this application on behalf of the organisation. We will need to contact you, so please ensure that the contact details you provide are correct. The email address that you provide will be used for all correspondence to the organisation.

This document will be made public, if you DO NOT wish your contact details to be disclosed; please provide your contact details separately.

2.

Guidance Notes **About your organisation** 2a. 2a. How would you define your organisation? Please indicate how you would define your Please tick all of those that apply to your organisation. organisation. If your You may need to tick more than one. organisation is a registered charity as well as a company limited by guarantee, you Company limited by guarantee must tick both boxes and Reg. No: provide the registration numbers. If your organisation Friendly Society (Registered with Financial Service Authority) is neither but has a written Reg. No: constitution, you must tick Mutual Society (Registered with Financial Service Authority) "Other" and describe your organisation as an Reg. No: unregistered organisation. As Part of a regional or national organisation evidence, you will need to submit a copy of your Reg. No: constitution or Memorandum Registered charity and Articles of Association if Reg. No: your application is successful. You also need to indicate if **Residents Association** your organisation is part of a regional or national body. **Partnership** (Please describe with no more than 400 characters) (Please describe with no more than 400 characters) Year When was the organisation set up? 2b. 2c. Briefly describe the aims and objectives of your organisation. 2c. Please explain the purpose of (Please describe with no more than 1200 characters) your organisation and what the organisation is trying to achieve, i.e. your overall aims and objectives.

3.	About the proposed project / activity	Guidance Notes
3a.	Name of proposed project/activity	3a.
	(Please use no more than 120 characters)	Please give your project/ activity a short title that best describes what will be delivered. Try to make it unique to your project/
3b.	Briefly describe your project or activity	activity.
	(Please describe with no more than 1200 characters)	
3c.	Is this a new project/activity?	
3d.	Corporate Priority	
	Which corporate priority will your project/activity address?	
	(Please select only one)	Click here for information on
	The Council's Funding Priorities	Harrow Council's Corporate Priorities.
3e.	Is your project/activity specifically targeting beneficiaries with any of the following protected characteristics as described within the Equality Act 2010?	
	(Please select only two of the following groups)	Click here for more information
		on the Equality Act 2010.
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3f.	Who will benefit from the Project / Activity?	
i.	How many people (beneficiaries) will benefit from this project/ activity?	

Asian, Asian British, Asian English, Asian Scottish or Asian Welsh	Black, Black British, Black English, Black Scottish or Black Welsh	Chinese, Chinese British, Chinese English, Chinese Scottish or Chinese Welsh
Bangladeshi Indian Pakistani Other Asian background Please specify below	African Caribbean Other Black background Please specify below	Other Chinese background Please specify below
White and Black African White and Black Caribbean Other Mixed background Please specify below	British English Irish Scottish Welsh Other White background Please specify below	Please specify below
Gender:	Disabled:	
Age: Under 5's 5 - 15	16 - 24 25 - 34 35 - 44	45 - 54
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Faith Group: No religi		
Faith Group: No religi Baha'l Buddhisr	n Christianity	Hinduism
	n Christianity Judaism	Hinduism

Please tick which of the following groups are able to access your project/activity?

ii.

4.	Evidence of Need	4a.
4a.	What evidence do you have that this project or activity is needed? (Please describe with no more than 1600 characters)	Please explain how you know that your intended users/beneficiaries need this project or activity. Please provide evidence that you have gathered and used to justify the need for this project or activity, for example: • feedback from your users • feedback from those who are not yet users • waiting lists • consultation local or national research
4b.	How will your project or activity address these needs? (Please describe with no more than 1600 characters)	4b. Please describe what your
		project or activity will do, the purpose of your activity and how your project or activity will address the needs that you have identified.
4c.	How does this project or activity tackle disadvantage, foster good relations and promote equality of opportunity?	4c.
	(Please describe with no more than 1600 characters)	Please describe the steps that this project or activity will take to tackle disadvantage, foster good relations and promote equality of opportunity amongst Harrow's diverse community.

Guidance Notes

What difference will your project/activity make?

Evidence	State what you will be able to show that has proved that the project/activity has taken place and has achieved the outcomes. The data that you collect will be used as part of the monitoring process to measure the success of the project/activity.	
How success is measured	How will you know that the project/activity has been successful? What will you measure and what do you expect to achieve? What are your targets?	
Activity	Clearly describe what activities will take place. The project activities must be able to be measured and recorded throughout the project.	
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Getting involved in the project or activity	Guidance Notes
How do the intended beneficiaries get involved in the project or activity?	6a.
(Please describe with no more than 1600 characters)	What will you do to ensure that your project or activity or activity is easily accessible to those people who could benefit? How do people gain access to the project or activity or activity?
Where will your project or activity be delivered? (Please list all venues with no more than 100 characters for each venue) 1. 2.	6b. Please state where your activities will happen. If your project or activity or activity covers a number of venues,
3.	please give details.
How often will your project or activity be delivered?	6c.
Please describe with no more than 1200 characters)	Please state when the project or activity will be made available such as days, times, how often etc.

7 .	Other benefits of your project or activity	Guidance Notes	
7a.	Will your project or activity use volunteers?	7a. Explain how your project or	
	If yes, state how many and describe how they will be involved in the delivery of the project or activity.	activity will provide benefits to those who are not immediate beneficiaries. This may be by using volunteers, working	
	(Please describe with no more than 1200 characters)	with other organisations or bringing other benefits to those not directly involved in the project or activity.	
8.	Financial Information		
8a.	Provide a summary from your most recent accounts	8a.	
	(Please select one from the following list)		
	Account year ending: Total income for the year (A) Total expenditure for the year (B) Surplus or deficit at the year end (A-B) Total savings or reserves at the year end	Please provide details of your organisation's total income and expenditure for the last financial year.	

Cost of Project

8b. Please complete the proposed project/activity breakdown below. For each item described, please give the number of items (Quantity) and the cost of each item (the Unit Cost), the Costing will be worked out automatically. Please state how much of the total cost of each item you are requesting to be paid for by this application. e.g.

EXPENDITURE CATEGORIES ITEM DESCRIPTION		Quantity	Unit Cost (£)	•	Funding Requested from Harrow Council
Volunteers expenses	Transport	10	£25	£250	£150

XPENDITURE ATEGORIES	ITEM DESCRIPTION	Quantity	Unit Cost (£)	Costing (£)	Funding Requeste from Harrow Council
Staffing Cost				£0.00	
				£0.00	
				£0.00	
				£0.00	
	Sub Total		_	£0.00	£0.00
Volunteers expenses				£0.00	
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				£0.00	
	Sub Total	_		£0.00	£0.00
Overheads				£0.00	
(e.g. Utility bills / Maintenances /				£0.00	
Repairs)				£0.00	
	Sub Total	_		£0.00	£0.00
Legal and				£0.00	
professional fees insurance				£0.00	
				£0.00	
	Sub Total	_		£0.00	£0.00
Venue				£0.00	
				£0.00	
				£0.00	
	Sub Total			£0.00	£0.00
Project/activity				£0.00	
Costs (e.g. Materials/				£0.00	
Stationery/Printing /Refreshment)				£0.00	
71 Concomment)				£0.00	
				£0.00	
	Sub Total	•	•	£0.00	£0.00
Other Expenses				£0.00	
				£0.00	
				£0.00	
	Sub Total			£0.00	£0.00
			Total	£0.00	£0.00

8c.	Balance	£0.00
8d.	How many people (beneficiaries) will benefit from this project/activity?	
8e.	Unit cost for each beneficiary for the total cost of this project/activity.	£0.00
8f.	Unit cost for each beneficiary for funding requested for the proposed project/activity.	£0.00

How will the balance of the costs be funded for this project or activity?	Guidance Notes
(Maximum of Characters 1600)	8g.
	If you are not applying for the entire amount of your project/activity, please explain how you intend to fund the balance.
Future of the Project/Activity	8h.
What will happen to this project/activity at the end of the finding period?	If this project/activity is to continue after the one-year funding you have applied for has ceased, please explain what efforts you have made to
	sustainability of your project/ activity. If this project/activity is not planned to continue, please explain your exit strategy.

9. Professional References

Please provide the contact details of two individuals or organisations that can comment on your organisation's skills, experiences to carry out the project/activity or service.

PLEASE NOTE: this should **not** be from the following:

- A personal reference from a friend or relative
- A Harrow Council Councillor or employee
- A member of staff, volunteer, committee member or service user of your organisation

It is your responsibility to:

- Obtain permission from your nominated referees and confirm with them that they are not excluded from being a referee for any of the above reasons.
- If references are not received when requested this will affect payment of your funding.

Reference 1					
Name of Contact					
Organisation					
Address					
Post Code					
Telephone Number					
Email Address					
Connection with your organisation	Provision of service		Worked with	Received funding from	
(you may select more than one).	Other (please (no more than 1	e state) 20 characters)			
Reference 2					
Name of Contact					
Organisation					
Address					
Post Code					
Telephone Number					
Email Address					
Connection with your organisation	Provision of service		Worked with	Received funding from	
(you may select more than one).	Other (please (no more than 1	e state) 20 characters)			

10. Essential Policies and Procedures

10a.

10b.

10c.

In order for your application to be eligible for funding you must confirm by ticking each box, that you have <u>all</u> of the following <u>signed and dated</u> policies/statements and procedures in place which must be current, and that you are able to supply these to the grants office when requested. Please note that you are <u>not</u> required to submit policies and procedures documents at the application stage.

	A constitution/memorandum and article of association/trustees/deeds of trust				
	Financial policies and procedures				
	Health and Safety Policy				
	Evidence of appropriate insurances and indemnities				
	Equal Opportunities Policy				
	Certified or audited accounts from the previous year (independently examined). If your organisation has been running for less than 15 months, you may not be able to give us this so in these cases we will accept a 12-month financial projection for the year when you will spend the grant				
	Reserves Policy				
Are an	y of the beneficiaries of your project/activity children?				
	you must confirm by ticking the box on the right that you have a for the protection of children.				
Are any of the beneficiaries of your project/activity vulnerable adults at risk of harm?					
	you must confirm by ticking the box on the right that you have a for the protection of vulnerable adults at risk of harm.				
Is your organisation using volunteers?					
If yes, you must confirm by ticking the box on the right that you have a volunteer policy.					

11. Declaration

We, on behalf of our Organisation, declare that all the information provided in this grant application form is correct and complete to the best of our knowledge and acknowledge that if a grant is awarded to our Organisation, it will be used exclusively for the purposes described. We also acknowledge that we will inform the relevant officer of Harrow Council of any changes in the Organisation's circumstances that would affect this application or the use of any grant funding relating to it.

Please ensure that two authorised members of your Organisation, one of whom must be a management committee member (i.e. Chair, Treasurer or Secretary) sign the declaration below:

Print Name:	Signed:	
Position in Organisation:	Date:	
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Position in Organisation:	Date:	

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