Report to	Cabinet	Item
	12 December 2012	
Report of	Executive head of customers, communications and culture	14
Subject	Additional grant in aid awards to the voluntary sector in 2012-13	IТ

# Purpose

To recommend additional grant awards from budgets for the financial year 2012-13

#### Recommendation

To approve the additional grant allocations for 2012-13

# **Corporate and service priorities**

The report helps to meet the corporate priority "City of character and culture".

# **Financial implications**

£42,568.50 to be funded from existing budget.

Ward/s: All wards

Cabinet member: Councillor Arthur - Leader

# **Contact officers**

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#### **Background documents**

None

# Report

# Background

- 1. At its meeting 18 January 2012, Cabinet approved some extensions to existing grant arrangements due to end March 2012. These extensions were recommended for either a further three or six month period commencing April 2012. They were made on the basis that, during this period, officers would able to work with the sector to understand needs and commission more effectively against those needs. This would allow time to explore other options.
- 2. Some of these extensions related to commissioned activity to support financial inclusion work and the provision of information, advice and advocacy. These six months extensions provided the opportunity for Councillor Waters and the Head of neighbourhood services to work collaboratively with providers to understand needs and commission accordingly. Cabinet then approved new grant arrangements to secure this activity in September 2012.
- 3. The remaining extensions were recommended by the executive head of customers, communications and culture on the basis that it would be beneficial both to the council and the grant recipient to build in a process of dialogue and review to secure the most appropriate future arrangement. These extensions related to:
  - a) VISIT NORWICH: the 2011-12 grant arrangement of £63,000 was extended for six months until 30 September 2012 to allow for exploration of future delivery models. Consequently VISIT NORWICH has received a grant funding of £31,500 in 2012-13
  - b) The Norfolk and Norwich Heritage Trust the 2011-12 grant arrangement of £14,758 was extended for three months until 30 June 2012 to allow for exploration of future options. Consequently The Norfolk and Norwich Heritage Trust has received grant funding of £3,689.50 in 2012-13

#### Recommendations

- The Executive Head of customers, communications and culture has reviewed the options and recommends the following additional grant awards are made in 2012-13:
  - a) Visit Norwich: a further grant in aid award of £31,500 for the period 1 October 2012 to 30 March 2013.
  - b) The Norfolk and Norwich Heritage Trust: a further grant in aid award of £11,068.50 for the period 1 July 2012 to 30 March 2013.

More information about the grant recipients is provided below:

#### Visit Norwich

# About the organisation

Visit Norwich is a destination management and marketing organisation for the Norwich area. It is a private /public sector partnership and a membership organisation representing the interests of a broad range of businesses across the visitor economy.

# Norfolk and Norwich Heritage Trust (Dragon Hall) About the organisation

The Norfolk and Norwich Heritage Trust Limited is a Company limited by guarantee and a registered charity its objectives are to

- conserve & maintain Dragon Hall (Grade I Listed medieval building of importance to Norwich in Heritage and Tourism/economy terms)
- make building accessible to all as heritage attraction
- provide education programmes (formal & informal)
- ensure recognition as an asset in Norwich
- encourage more usage as a cultural destination with wider uses for venue for performance arts, corporate events etc.

# Integrated impact assessment



The IIA should assess the impact of the recommendation being made by the report

Detailed guidance to help with completing the assessment can be found here. Delete this row after completion

Report author to complete	
Committee:	Cabinet
Committee date:	12 December 2012
Head of service:	Executive head of customers, communications, and culture
Report subject:	Additional grant in aid awards to the voluntary sector in 2012-13
Date assessed:	16 November 2012
Description:	To recommend to Cabinet additional grant funding

	Impact			
Economic (please add an 'x' as appropriate)	Neutral	Positive	Negative	Comments
Finance (value for money)		$\bowtie$		
Other departments and services e.g. office facilities, customer contact				
ICT services	$\square$			
Economic development		$\bowtie$		
Financial inclusion				
Social	Neutral	Positive	Negative	Comments
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	Impact			
Eliminating discrimination & harassment				
Advancing equality of opportunity	$\square$			
Environmental (please add an 'x' as appropriate)	Neutral	Positive	Negative	Comments
Transportation		$\boxtimes$		
Natural and built environment		$\square$		
Waste minimisation & resource use				
Pollution	$\square$			
Sustainable procurement				
Energy and climate change				
(Please add an 'x' as appropriate)	Neutral	Positive	Negative	Comments
Risk management				

Recommendations from impact assessment
Positive
Negative
Neutral
Issues
No issues identified