



Meeting of the

# GRANTS PANEL

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Thursday, 16 October 2008 at 7.00 p.m.

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Attached is the YCF Grants Panel's Recommendations for funding.

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London Borough of Tower Hamlets  
Youth Capital Fund Grants Panel  
Recommendations for funding

LAP 1

Name/Organisation	LAP/Post code	Capital Fund Idea	Recommendation from YCF grants panel	Amount requested	Proposed award
Columbia Youth Centre	LAP 1	Security System & Securing Club	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• £10,000 award from local Youth Capital Fund funding to contribute towards costs for installation of security system and building improvements</li> <li>• Outstanding £4,000 to be sourced through match or in kind funding, or priority given to security and building improvements rather than the garden development</li> <li>• The organisation must ensure that a focus of their activity is on combating territorialism and crime between young people in Tower Hamlets and Hackney, as outlined in their presentation</li> <li>• The organisation to provide names and contact details of building contractors who will be working on this refurbishment project.</li> <li>• The organisation to ensure that the full grant amount is reflected in the organisation's annual account</li> <li>• The organisation to provide an evaluation report after 6 and 12 months on the impact of the grant</li> </ul>	£14,000	£10,000
St. Hilda's East Community Centre	LAP 1 E2 7EY	Sensory Room - St. Hilda's Disabled Youth Project	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Revenue items i.e. smaller equipment costs not to be funded. Move consideration for these costs to LAPs 1 and 2 Youth Opportunity Fund panel meeting in October 2008.</li> <li>• Funding to be granted for capital items only, the hardware and software elements of the application not to be funded.</li> <li>• The organisation to provide names and contact details of building contractors who will be working on this refurbishment project.</li> </ul>	£59,715	£43,000

LBTH Youth and Community Services	LAP 1-3	Minibus for Girls and Young Women	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The organisation to ensure that the full grant amount is reflected in the organisation's annual account</li> <li>• The organisation to provide an evaluation report after 6 and 12 months on the impact of the grant</li> <li>• The panel recommend that this project does not receive funding</li> <li>• There is the potential for conflict between different organisations if they wish to make use of a minibus at the same time and the group were not sufficiently clear about how groups would be prioritised if this arose</li> <li>• Young women should be able to access youth provision close to their homes and providing this would be a better solution than providing transport around the borough. The panel also want to encourage independent travel for young women around the borough and believe provision of transport of this nature would counteract existing efforts in the borough to encourage this</li> <li>• The project does not sufficiently demonstrate how it will divert young people from crime and anti-social behaviour</li> <li>• The organisation were not able to sufficiently demonstrate they had secured or planned for the associated revenue costs involved, including providing secure hosting space, driver costs, fuel and maintenance.</li> <li>• Sufficient evidence of need was not demonstrated by the group and based on individual anecdotal evidence. The panel suggest the organisation utilise Community Transport options for a pilot period and review their application if using transportation leads to a significant increase in access for girls and young women to youth provision</li> </ul>	£23,095  £0

**LAP 2**

No applications considered at presentation stage.

**LAP 3**

No applications considered at presentation stage.

**LAP 4**

Name/Organisation	LAP/Post code	Capital Fund Idea	Recommendation from YCF grants panel	Amount requested	Proposed award
Wapping Youth Centre	LAP 4 E1W 2QD	Re-energise the interior/exterior of the building	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Revenue items i.e. smaller equipment costs not to be funded. Move consideration for these costs to LAPs 3 and 4 Youth Opportunity Fund panel meeting in October 2008.</li> <li>• Funding to be granted for capital items only</li> <li>• The organisation must ensure that part of its delivery in the refurbished building is focused on combating crime and anti-social behaviour among young people, and that the building is safe for young people to access</li> <li>• The organisation to provide names and contact details of building contractors who will be working on this refurbishment project.</li> <li>• The organisation to ensure that the full grant amount is reflected in the organisation's annual account</li> <li>• The organisation to provide an evaluation report after 6 and 12 months on the impact of the grant</li> </ul>	£100,100	£80,000
Xstream East XSE Academy	LAP 4 E1 OBL	Refurbishment of the radio station and video editing suite	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Funding not to be granted in 2008/09 round. If confirmation of Youth Capital Fund Plus funding is granted from the Youth Taskforce for 2009/10, funding for capital elements of the project to be granted in April 2009.</li> <li>• Revenue items i.e. smaller equipment costs not to be funded. Move consideration for these costs to LAPs 3 and 4 Youth Opportunity Fund panel meeting if capital funding is secured for the project in April 2009.</li> </ul>	£52,573	£0 in 2008/09 £39,000 in 2009/10 if YCF+ confirmation received

## LAP 5

No applications considered at presentation stage.

## LAP 6

Name/Organisation	LAP/Post code	Capital Fund Idea	Recommendation from YCF grants panel	Amount requested	Proposed award
Streets Of Growth	LAP 6 E3 3HJ	Community Resource Hub	<p>The panel recommend that this project does not receive funding:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The majority of the funding requested is revenue funding and therefore is not eligible for capital spend</li> <li>• Revenue items i.e. smaller equipment costs not to be funded.</li> <li>• Move consideration for these costs to LAPs 5 and 6 Youth Opportunity Fund panel meeting in October 2008</li> <li>• The application does not sufficiently demonstrate how the project will help divert young people away from crime and anti-social behaviour</li> <li>• The minibus request not to be funded, primarily for the reasons outlined in the recommendations for the girls and young women minibus in LAPs 1-3.</li> <li>• Young people should be able to access youth provision close to their homes and providing this would be a better solution than providing transport around the borough. The panel also want to encourage independent travel for young people around the borough and believe provision of transport of this nature would counteract existing efforts in the borough to encourage this</li> <li>• The purchase of a vehicle is not justified by the amount of suggested use by the organisation. Use of Community Transport facilities would be more appropriate for the group's proposed usage</li> <li>• The organisation were not able to sufficiently demonstrate they had secured or planned for the associated revenue costs</li> </ul>	£49,113	£0

Urban Adventure Base	LAP 6	General Workshop and Relaxation Area	<p>involved, including providing secure hosting space, driver costs, fuel and maintenance.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sufficient evidence of need was not demonstrated by the group and based on individual anecdotal evidence. The panel suggest the organisation utilise Community Transport options for a pilot period and review their application if using transportation leads to a significant increase in access for young people to the provision</li> </ul>	£100,000	£90,000
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Revenue items i.e. smaller equipment costs not to be funded. Move consideration for these costs to LAPs 5 and 6 Youth Opportunity Fund panel meeting in October 2008.</li> <li>• Funding to be granted for capital elements only, to be used for the creation of space and facilities for young people, not for the creation of office space for youth workers</li> <li>• Mile End is a crime hotspot in the borough and the organisation must ensure that the newly refurbished space is safe for young people to access. Activities delivered in the newly developed space should include those which combat crime and anti-social behaviour among young people</li> <li>• The award is subject to the organisation providing a full timetable for the refurbishment and extension work to ensure this can be completed by the March 2009 deadline</li> <li>• The organisation should provide names and contact details of building contractors who will be working on this refurbishment project</li> <li>• Receipts on all expenditure to be provided with the project evaluation report</li> <li>• The organisation should ensure that the full grant amount is reflected in the organisation's annual account</li> <li>• The organisation should provide an evaluation report after 6 and 12 months on the impact of the grant</li> </ul>		

## LAP 7

No applications considered at presentation stage.

## LAP 8

Name/Organisation	LAP/Post code	Capital Fund Idea	Recommendation from YCF grants panel	Amount requested	Proposed award
Alpha Grove Youth Centre	LAP 8	Renovation and refurbishment of Alpha Grove	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The application is entirely for capital projects and should be funded</li> <li>• There have been significant incidents of crime and anti-social behaviour among young people on the Isle of Dogs. The organisation must ensure through the refurbishment that the space is safe for young people to access and that activities delivered through the project include a focus on combating crime and anti-social behaviour among young people</li> <li>• The award is subject to the organisation providing a full timetable for the refurbishment and extension work to ensure this can be completed by the March 2009 deadline</li> <li>• The organisation should provide names and contact details of building contractors who will be working on this refurbishment project</li> <li>• Receipts on all expenditure to be provided with the project evaluation report</li> <li>• The organisation should ensure that the full grant amount is reflected in the organisation's annual account</li> <li>• The organisation should provide an evaluation report after 6 and 12 months on the impact of the grant</li> </ul>	£100,000	£100,000
Café Vert - Youth Café (George Greens School)	LAP 8	Café and Multi use space	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Funding not to be granted in 2008/09 round. If confirmation of Youth Capital Fund Plus funding is granted from the Youth Taskforce for 2009/10, funding for capital elements of the project to be granted in April 2009.</li> <li>• Revenue items i.e. smaller equipment costs not to be funded. Move consideration for these costs to LAPs 7 and 8 Youth</li> </ul>	£83,557	£0 in 2008/09 £70,000 in 2009/10 if confirmation



			Opportunity Fund panel meeting if capital funding is secured for the project in April 2009.		of YCF+ funding received
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**Borough-wide**

<b>Name/Organisation</b>	<b>LAP/Post code</b>	<b>Capital Fund Idea</b>	<b>Recommendation from YCF grants panel</b>	<b>Amount requested</b>	<b>Proposed award</b>
Rapid Response Team	Borough-wide	Renovation of the existing mobiles	<p>Funding to be granted subject to the organisation meeting a number of conditions.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The costs for each individual mobile unit are high at £50,000 per unit and the organisation should seek to make improvements to all four vehicles in the fleet using the funding</li> <li>Proposed refurbishments to the vehicles should change to ensure an environment more focused on young people's learning, education and employment initiatives and those which contribute to combating crime and anti-social behaviour among young people. E.g. instead of replacing plasma TVs this should be changed to a computer suite for use in job search activities, with support from youth workers for young people in career progression.</li> <li>The work of the Rapid Response Team is supported by both the Police and the Tower Hamlets Partnership, among other partners. The Team should ensure they maintain close relationships with these partners in development of the refurbishments</li> <li>The organisation should clearly demonstrate the anticipated and eventual impact of refurbishment of the vehicles.</li> <li>The organisation should provide a revised budget and a clear timetable for the work to ensure this can be completed by March 2009.</li> <li>The organisation should provide names and contact details of building contractors who will be working on this refurbishment</li> </ul>	£100,000	£100,000

LBTH Youth and Community Services	Borough-wide	Improvements to ICT facilities in youth centres	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Receipts on all expenditure to be provided with the project evaluation report</li> <li>The organisation should ensure that the full grant amount is reflected in the organisation's annual account</li> <li>The organisation should provide an evaluation report after 6 and 12 months on the impact of the grant</li> <li>Application withdrawn</li> </ul>	£50,000	£0
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Total award proposed for 2008/09: £423,000

If all awards allocated, remaining funding available for allocation in 2008/09: £159,788

If confirmation of YCF+ funding received for 2009/10, proposed initial allocation for 2009/10: £109,000

The YCF grants panel propose that the remaining £159,788 is used to identify appropriate provision in need of improvement in those LAP areas where there has been no suitable YCF applications received (LAPs 2, 3, 5 and 7). They propose working with officers in LBTH Youth and Community Services and with contracted youth work providers in these LAPs to identify, develop and deliver suitable capital projects in these LAPs between November 2008 and March 2009. Projects will be delivered according to the YCF grant criteria and officers will work with the YCF grants panel throughout the process to ensure the projects fully involve young people in the development of the projects.