### WYRE FOREST DISTRICT COUNCIL

## <u>CABINET MEETING</u> 21<sup>st</sup> FEBRUARY 2008

# RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE CORPORATE SERVICE & PERFORMANCE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE 5<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2008

## **Grants to Voluntary Bodies**

The Committee considered a briefing paper from the Head of Community and Partnership Services on the findings of an initial review of the Council's grants to voluntary bodies process. The Committee's views were sought on the allocation of grants for 2008/09 onwards.

Members noted that the initial review had raised a number of issues which had indicated that a thorough review of the grant allocation process would be worthwhile. The Head of Community and Partnership Services had included details, in her paper, of a number of factors that needed to be considered. In view of the timeframe, the Committee agreed to award the grants for 2008/2009 on the current criteria and to set up a review panel to work up options for a revised process to take effect from 2009/2010.

#### RECOMMENDED TO THE CABINET:

- 1. No change be made to the allocation of £33,980 general cash grants for 2008/09 and grants be allocated of the same amounts and to the same organisations in 2008/2009 as for 2007/2008, as detailed in the briefing paper to the Corporate Services and Performance Scrutiny Committee on 5<sup>th</sup> February 2008.
- 2. A review panel be set up to work up options for consideration and future recommendation of a revised process for the allocation for 2009/10, taking into consideration the factors outlined in paragraphs 3.5 to 3.16 of the briefing paper to the Corporate Services and Performance Scrutiny Committee on 5<sup>th</sup> February 2008.
- 3. Group Leaders be asked to nominate members to serve on the review panel and Independent Members also be approached for this purpose.