AGENDA ITEM NO.12.1.

WYRE FOREST DISTRICT COUNCIL

CABINET 24TH JULY 2008

Recommendations from the Corporate Services Scrutiny Committee 10th July 2008

Grants to Voluntary Bodies Review Panel

The Committee considered a briefing paper from the Assistant Scrutiny/Committee Officer which set out recommendations of the Grants to Voluntary Bodies Review Panel following its scrutiny of the Council's policy regarding the awarding of grants to voluntary bodies in the District.

The report and appendices were circulated with the agenda of the Corporate Services Scrutiny Committee for 10th July 2008.

RECOMMENDED TO CABINET:

- That the criteria for grants to voluntary bodies be refreshed, in line with terminology used in the Worcestershire Compact and the revised Corporate Priorities and Community Strategy Themes (Appendix C).
- 2. The application form be revised to include more robust sections on how the allocations of funds meets Council and Sustainable Community Strategy aims and priorities, and clearer information on the beneficiaries of the project or scheme (Appendix D).
- 3. The Conditions of Grant Aid form be refreshed to bring it in line with the revised criteria and to strengthen compliance with relevant legislation (Appendix E).
- 4. The Council allocate a small amount of funds for the purpose of emergency grants to voluntary organisations in the District.

The appendices referred to in these recommendations have been circulated electronically and a public inspection copy is available on request. (See front cover for details).

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