

# City Bridge Trust Business Plan 2017/19

## City Bridge Trust: Summary Business Plan 2017-19

Vision:	A fairer London
Strategic Aims:	<ul> <li>To be a strategic and collaborative funder</li> <li>To maximise the impact of the funding available from the underlying charity Bridge House Estates.</li> <li>To develop the social investment market</li> <li>To tackle disadvantage in London and make it a fairer place to live and work</li> <li>Encourage more charitable giving and the effective giving of time, talent and money across London. To ensure the Trust is led by strategic decisions, is customer focused and is resourced appropriately to deliver quality outcomes and use experience to deliver effective grant-making throughout the CoLC and related charities.</li> </ul>

Our Key Performance Indicators are:					
Description:	2017/18 performance	2018/19 target			
Develop the Trust's role as a strategic, collaborative and influential funder.	Draft 2018-2023 funding	2018-2023 funding strategy			
	strategy completed.	launched and implemented.			
	To manage the external				
	contract for Wembley and the				
	Central Grants Unit.				
Maximise the impact of the funding available from the underlying charity Bridge House	Approx. £24M awarded in a	£21M awarded in a range of			
Estates.	range of different grants of	different grants of which up to			
	which up to £4M in strategic	£4M in strategic initiatives.			
	initiatives. Funder plus	Funder plus options			
	options developed.	implemented.			
To develop the London social investment market	£3M committed for social	£3M committed for social			
	investments.	investments.			
Encourage more charitable giving and the effective giving of time, talent and money across	'Head of Philanthropy	Joint CBT /CoLC			
London.	Strategy' post developed and	Philanthropy Strategy			
	recruited. Joint CBT /CoLC	implemented.			
	Philanthropy Strategy	4 new London borough Local			
	developed	Giving schemes are			
	City Philanthropy project	developed and an evaluation			

Our <b>Key Performance Indicators</b> are:					
Description:	2017/18 performance	2018/19 target			
	learning integrated into City of London	of London's Giving started.			
Fit for purpose: To ensure the Trust is led by strategic decisions is customer focused and is resourced appropriately to deliver quality outcomes.	Strategic Review completed. New programmes designed and written. Staffing and CBT resource review undertaken in light of the Strategic Review. Zero-based budgeting exercise completed.	New funding programmes launched. Staffing and CBT resources review implemented.			

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	2015/16 Actual	2016/17 Original Budget	2016/17 Revised Budget	2016/17 Forecast Outturn (latest)	Comparison to 2015/16	2017/18 Original Budget	Refer to note
	£000	£000	£000	£000	%	£000	note
Employees	806	1,144	968	961	19	1,181	1
Transport	3	4	6	4	33	6	
Supplies & Services	338	226	501	420	24	393	2
Grants	18,342	20,000	21,510	16,881	(8)	21,000	3 & 4
Total Expenditure	19,489	21,374	22,985	18,266	(6)	22,580	
Total External income	309	107	107	307	(1)	108	5
Total net expenditure before recharges	19,180	21,267	22,878	17,959	(6)	22,472	
Support services and capital charges	145	137	158	142	(2)	171	
Total net expenditure	19,325	21,404	23,036	18,101	(6)	22,643	

## Notes on Financial Information:

1. The expected outturn for the employees' budget for 2016/17 compared to original budget reflects the fact that 4 vacancies existed within the Grants Team

during the year, alongside the delayed recruitment of the Head of Charity and Social Investment Finance. The 2017/18 budget plans for a full team to be in place throughout the year.

- 2. The Supplies and Services budget covers a variety of expenditure headings, with consultancy being a key contributor. With several vacancies being carried during 2016/17, the team had to draw upon interim consultants hence the higher spend compared to 2015/16 and original budget. Approval is to be sought from the Chamberlain and Resource Allocation Sub-committee to carry-forward £42k of budgeted spend relating to specific projects yet to take place.
- 3. The revised grants budget for 2016/17 comprised the standard grants programme of £15m, the Prince's Trust allocation of £1m, an additional allocation of £4m from the surplus income of the Bridge House Estates plus a carry forward of £1.51m from 2015/16. Approval has been sought under urgency to carry-forward to 2017/18 the underspend of £4.448m allocated for the employability and the infrastructure programmes.
- 4. The grants budget for 2017/18 comprises the standard grants programme of £15m, the Prince's Trust allocation of £1m and an additional allocation of £5m from the surplus income of the Bridge House Estates. A request for the unspent element of the Investors in London programme, of £181k will be requested via the normal carry-forward process.
- 5. External income comprises that received from the Wembley National Stadium Trust (WNST) contract (£107k in 2016/17) plus £200k from UBS towards the Stepping Stones grants programme, the latter not having been included in the budget. The 2017/18 budget includes solely income from WNST at present.

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### **CBT Staffing:**

This section will be completed by the CBT HR Business Partner and will include data analysis on current staffing levels, sickness and absence rates and the levels of diversity within the department. Information to follow.

## Notes on Staffing Information:

To be completed.

#### **Learning & Development:**

The Trust is strongly committed to the development of its staff team. As well as formal training opportunities, there are a wide variety of ways in which staff can learn 'on the job', including:

• Attendance at and active participation in funders' networks where issues relevant to our funding priorities, as well as good practice in grant-making,

are discussed.

- Attendance at and active participation in conferences and seminars on topics relevant to our grant-making.
- Opportunities for administrative staff to accompany Grants Officers on assessment and monitoring visits.
- As board members of organisations, including London Funders, the Association of Charitable Foundations and NCVO.
- Making presentations on the Trust's work to London's voluntary sector.

During the year, a number of team training sessions will be planned, following consultation with staff members.

#### **Key Improvement Objective Template**

Objective 1	Develop the Trust's role as a strategic, collaborative and influential funder.
Priority and rationale (why are you doing it?)	As London's largest independent funder, the Trust has a responsibility to London's communities, especially those most disadvantaged
	especially those most disadvantaged.

Actions / Milestones	Target Date	Measure of Success	Responsibility	Resources
Strategic Review stakeholder consultations completed and final draft of strategy submitted to CBT Committee for approval	May 2017	Committee approve the 2018/2023 funding strategy.	Chief Grants Officer	Officer time; local risk and grants budgets.
Strategic Review submitted to Court of Common Council for approval.	July 2017	Court of Common Council approve the 2018/2023 funding strategy.	Chief Grants Officer	Officer time; local risk and grants budgets
Strategic Review implementation timetable and resources plan developed and agreed	July 2017	Committee presented with the implementation timetable and associated resource requirements.	Chief Grants Officer	Officer time; local risk and grants budgets.

Actions / Milestones	Target Date	Measure of Success	Responsibility	Resources
To develop an Evaluation and Learning plan to underpin the delivery of the strategy.	December 2017	How staff use the knowledge gained through the Learning and Evaluation Plan and how this is disseminated to other stakeholders.	Chief Grants Officer	Officer time; local risk and grants budgets.

Objective 2	Maximise the impact of the funding available from the underlying charity Bridge House Estates.
Priority and rationale (why are you doing it?)	The needs of Londoners are greater than the resources available and it is essential that the Trust aims to maximise its impact.

Actions / Milestones	Target Date	Measure of Success	Responsibility	Resources
The grants budget is expended in full.	March 2018	Even grant spend throughout the year meeting notional targets (50% deployed by October 2017)	Chief Grants Officer	Full team supported by Chamberlain's.
Strategic Initiatives continue to complement the Trust's responsive grant-making.	On-going	<ul> <li>20% of the grants budget is committed to strategic initiatives.</li> <li>Funder Plus initiatives developed.</li> </ul>	Deputy Chief Grants Officer.	Full team supported by Chamberlain's.
The Grants Manual is in place.	October 2017	The quality and consistency of grants assessment and management is improved.	Deputy Chief Grants Officer and lead Grants Officer.	Staff time.
The Central Grants Programme is managed effectively on behalf of the CoLC.	April 2017 onwards.	To continue to provide appropriate resources to deliver the Central Grants Programme.	Chief Grants Officer and the Senior Grants Officer lead.	Staff time supported by City Solicitors and the Chamberlain's teams.

Actions / Milestones	Target Date	Measure of Success	Responsibility	Resources
		Members and Officers continue to understand the grants that may be applied for.		
Learning and development plan developed.	December 2017 and ongoing	Members of grants team actively participate in external networking and learning events.	Deputy Chief Grants Officer	Staff time.
The Trust continues to develop its relationship with London Funders as a strategic partner.	On-going	<ul> <li>London's Giving continues to grow in at least 4 more boroughs.</li> <li>The Trust identifies initiatives to fund under the infrastructure support strand of its uplifted grants budget.</li> </ul>	CBT Management team	Staff time.
Resource and staffing plan developed for Phase 2 of the website redevelopment.	July 2017	Positive feedback of user-friendliness of new site; up-to-date and dynamic nature of content, feedback incorporated from users.	Communications Officer	Staff time (including I.S. team); budget.

Objective 3	Grow the London social investment market
Priority and rationale (why are you doing it?)	To diversify and increase the funding available to achieve social impact.

Actions / Milestones	Target Date	Measure of Success	Responsibility	Resources
At least a further £3m of the	March 2018	Social Investment Board	Chief Grants Officer	Officer time and Bridge
Social investment Fund		meetings will approve		House Estates charitable

committed.		investment commitments of a further £3m by the end of the financial year		assets.
A further round of Stepping Stones grants is awarded.	September 2017	<ul> <li>£0.55m Stepping Stones         Fund is fully committed.     </li> <li>The Partnership with UBS continues.</li> </ul>	Principal Grants and Social Investment Officer	Officer time and grants budget, UBS employee time and grants resource.
Board Strategic Away-Half Day	31 October 2017	Discussions on the day lead to improvements to strategy and related activity.	Chief Grants Officer	Officer time, external speaker time.

Objective 4	Encourage more charitable giving and the effective giving of time, talent and money across London.
Priority and rationale (why are you doing it?)	To increase the resources available to civic society

Actions / Milestones	Target Date	Measure of Success	Responsibility	Resources
To develop a joint Giving strategy that covers the Trust and The City of London Corporation and links with the work of other key stakeholders.	January 2018	A Giving strategy is agreed and this is understood and informs working across the Trust/ColC/and Mansion House	Chief Grants Officer.	Officer time and consultancy budget.
To recruit a 'Head of Philanthropy Strategy'	July 2017	To have recruited to the post.	Chief Grants Officer.	Officer time and grants budget

Objective 5	Fit for purpose: To ensure the Trust is led by strategic decisions, is customer focused and is resourced appropriately to deliver quality outcomes.			
Priority and rationale (why are you doing it?)	The extent of disadvantage in London is greater than the resources available to tackle the problem: it is essential that the Trust maximises its impact by making best use of all of its assets.			

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A programme of themes is continued for each Committee meeting – to include one focused meeting on strategic initiatives.	May 2017 onwards (Strategic initiative focused meeting November 2017).	Members feel better informed about the focussed areas of the Investing in Londoners programme (including strategic initiatives).	Chief Grants Officer	Officer time and grantee speaker time.
The Trust's Committee Members are able to play their full part in the governance of the Trust's work.	On-going and March 2018	<ul> <li>All new Members receive a full induction within 2 months of joining the Committee.</li> <li>Each Member attends at least 2 grantee visits/events and strategic away-half day.</li> </ul>	Chief Grants Officer	Officer and Member time.
The Trust's staffing resource and structure is reviewed in light of the Strategic Review and Central Grants Programme.	December 2017	<ul> <li>The grants team has clear lines of accountability in place.</li> <li>The Central Grants function is integrated and working efficiently as part of the CBT team.</li> </ul>	Chief Grants Officer	Officer time (including additional HR).