

# Finance Grants Oversight and Performance Sub Committee

Date: TUESDAY, 12 NOVEMBER 2019

Time: 12.00 pm

Venue: COMMITTEE ROOMS, 2ND FLOOR, WEST WING, GUILDHALL

**Members:** Nicholas Bensted-Smith (Chairman)

Deputy Philip Woodhouse (Deputy Chairman)

Simon Duckworth John Fletcher

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Lunch will be served in the Guildhall Club at 1.00pm.

John Barradell Town Clerk

#### **AGENDA**

#### Part 1 - Public Agenda

- 1. APOLOGIES
- 2. DECLARATIONS BY MEMBERS OF ANY PERSONAL AND PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS IN RESPECT OF ITEMS ON THIS AGENDA
- 3. MINUTES

To agree the public minutes of the meeting held on 9 April 2019.

For Decision (Pages 1 - 4)

4. TERMS OF REFERENCE

Members are asked to note the Sub-Committee's updated Terms of Reference as agreed by the Finance Committee on 15 October 2019.

For Information (Pages 5 - 6)

5. WORK PROGRAMME

Members are asked to note the Sub-Committee's work programme.

For Information (Pages 7 - 8)

6. CENTRAL GRANTS PROGRAMME (CGP) AND CENTRAL GRANTS UNIT (CGU) - UPDATE AND NEXT STEPS

Report of the Chief Grants Officer (CGO) and Director of City Bridge Trust.

For Information (Pages 9 - 30)

7. CENTRAL GRANTS PROGRAMME (CGP) - CITY'S CASH GRANT BUDGET Report of the Chief Grants Officer and Director of City Bridge Trust (CGO).

For Information (Pages 31 - 34)

8. QUESTIONS ON MATTERS RELATING TO THE WORK OF THE SUB-COMMITTEE

#### 9. ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT THE CHAIRMAN CONSIDERS URGENT

#### 10. EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC

MOTION – That under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part 1 of schedule 12A of the Local Government Act.

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**For Decision** 

Part 2 - Non-public Agenda

#### 11. NON-PUBLIC MINUTES

To agree the non-public minutes of the previous meeting held 9 April 2019.

For Decision (Pages 35 - 36)

#### 12. BENEFITS IN KIND REPORTING

Report of the Chief Grants Officer and Director of City Bridge Trust (CGO).

For Decision (Pages 37 - 48)

#### 13. PRESENTATION: CHARITIES REVIEW UPDATE

Presented by the Bridge House Estates and Corporate Charities Projects Officer.

For Information

- 14. NON-PUBLIC QUESTIONS ON MATTERS RELATING TO THE WORK OF THE SUB-COMMITTEE
- 15. ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT THE CHAIRMAN CONSIDERS URGENT AND WHICH THE SUB-COMMITTEE AGREE SHOULD BE CONSIDERED WHILST THE PUBLIC ARE EXCLUDED



## FINANCE GRANTS OVERSIGHT AND PERFORMANCE SUB COMMITTEE Tuesday, 9 April 2019

Minutes of the meeting of the Finance Grants Oversight and Performance Sub Committee held at Committee Rooms 3 & 4 - 2nd Floor, West Wing, Guildhall on Tuesday, 9 April 2019 at 3.45 pm

#### **Present**

#### Members:

Simon Duckworth (Chairman)
Deputy Philip Woodhouse (Deputy Chairman)
Nicholas Bensted-Smith
Deputy Jamie Ingham Clark
Jeremy Mayhew
Mark Wheatley

#### Officers:

Chloe Rew - Town Clerk's Department

David Farnsworth - Chief Grants Officer & Director of City Bridge Trust, Town Clerk's Department

Lily Brandhorst - Town Clerk's Department

Jack Joslin - Town Clerk's Department

Ciaran Rafferty - Town Clerk's Department

Karen Atkinson - Chamberlain's Department

Anne Pietsch - Comptroller & City Solicitor's

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#### 1. APOLOGIES

**Emily Rimington** 

Apologies were received from Oliver Lodge.

## 2. MEMBERS DECLARATIONS UNDER THE CODE OF CONDUCT IN RESPECT OF ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

There were no declarations.

#### 3. MINUTES

**RESOLVED** – That the public minutes and summary of the meeting held on 13 November 2018 be approved as a correct record.

## 4. CENTRAL GRANTS PROGRAMME (CGP) - UPDATE AND NEXT STEPS REPORT

Members received a report of the Chief Grants Officer and Director of City Bridge Trust relative to an update on the Central Grants Programme (CGP).

The Comptroller & City Solicitor provided an oral update on the rationalisation of City Corporation associated charities, informing Members that the Corporation of London Benevolent Association had now been removed from

the register of charities and that its funds have been transferred, subject to conditions, to the Combined Relief of Poverty Charity and that work was ongoing to update the Combined Relief of Poverty Charity's eligibility criteria to reflect this. Members requested that future reference to the Combined Relief of Poverty Charity should indicate that this charity incorporates the former Corporation of London Benevolent Association as this is where the additional funds come from.

Members expressed a preference that funds be awarded to smaller charities, with queries to be referred to the Chairman and Deputy Chairman for informal consultation. Members also requested brief conclusions on applicants who had fallen through the cracks.

**RESOLVED** – That the report be received and its contents noted.

5. COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY (CIL) NEIGHBOURHOOD FUND Members received a report of the Chief Grants Officer relative to the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Neighbourhood Fund and its proposed management by the Central Grants Unit (CGU).

The Fund currently has £4.7 million and is projected to receive approximately £1 million income per year. The Chairman requested these figures be reconfirmed with the Chamberlain and Comptroller & City Solicitor.

The Comptroller & City Solicitor noted that Members may find it helpful to clarify this sub committee's relationship with the relevant service committees and sub committees in respect of the oversight and performance of the CGU's proposed administration of the CIL Neighbourhood Fund and other charities where those funds do not form part of the Central Grants Programme (CGP) which are under the oversight and remit of the sub-committee. It was noted that as the work of the CGU expands beyond the CGP that Members may wish to review the sub-committee's Terms of Reference as appropriate.

**RESOLVED** – That the report be received and its contents noted.

## 6. QUESTIONS ON MATTERS RELATING TO THE WORK OF THE SUB COMMITTEE

There were no other questions.

## 7. ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT THE CHAIRMAN CONSIDERS URGENT Members expressed their thanks to the Chairman for his three years of service as Subcommittee Chairman.

#### 8. EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC

**RESOLVED** – That under Section 100A (4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part I of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act.

Item No.	Para No.
9	3

#### 9. **NON-PUBLIC MINUTES**

**RESOLVED** – That the non-public minutes and summary of the meeting held on 13 November 2018 be approved as a correct record.

10. NON-PUBLIC QUESTIONS ON MATTERS RELATING TO THE WORK OF THE SUB-COMMITTEE

There were no questions.

11. ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT THE CHAIRMAN CONSIDERS URGENT AND WHICH THE COMMITTEE AGREE SHOULD BE CONSIDERED WHILST THE PUBLIC ARE EXCLUDED

There was no other business.

The meetin	g ended at 3.55 pi	m
 Chairman		

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## <u>Finance Grants Oversight and Performance Sub-Committee Terms of Reference</u>

The Finance Grants Oversight and Performance Sub Committee provides strategic oversight of the City of London Corporation's Central Grants Programme, including reviewing progress, performance, impact against outcomes, and risks for all grants

#### Composition

#### **Between 9-13 Members in total**

- Chairman of the Finance Committee
- Deputy Chairman of the Finance Committee
- Members of the Finance Committee, appointed by the Finance Committee (this minimum includes the Chairman and Deputy Chairman of the Grand Committee)
- Co-opted Members of the wider Court of Common Council, appointed on a case-by-case basis by the Finance Committee.

#### Chairmanship

- Chairman To be nominated by the Chairman of the Finance Committee for approval by the Finance Committee.
- Deputy Chairman To be appointed by the Chairman of the Sub-Committee for approval by the Finance Committee.

#### **Terms of Reference**

- To provide strategic oversight of the City of London Corporation Central Grants Programme ('the Programme'), including reviewing progress, performance, impact against outcomes and risks for all grants
- To ensure the Programme is compliant with any obligations under the Local Government Transparency Code 2015 and the Equality Act 2010
- To approve and deploy a performance management framework in respect of the Programme
- To assess performance of the Programme against Charity Commission best practice guidelines, as relevant
- To make recommendations to the relevant grant-giving Committees on any performance issues or issues with specific grants
- To provide the Resource Allocation Sub (Policy and Resources) Committee
  with an annual report regarding performance of the Programme and
  recommendations in setting the City's Cash and City Fund allocations to the
  Programme themes

# Agenda Item 5

## <u>Finance Grants Oversight and Performance Sub-Committee Forward Plan – 2019/2020</u>

12 November 2019	21 January 2020	20 April 2020	22 September 2020	
Central Grants Unit Update	Central Grants Unit Update	Central Grants Unit Update	Central Grants Unit Update	
Benefits in Kind Annual Report		Benefits in Kind Update Report		
City's Cash Grants Budget		Central Grants Unit Annual Report		
Charities Review Presentation		Charities Review Update		

Committee Finance Grants Oversight and Performance Sub- Committee	<b>Dated:</b> 12/11/2019
Subject Central Grants Programme (CGP) and Central Grants Unit (CGU) – Update and Next Steps	Public
Report of: Chief Grants Officer (CGO) and Director of City Bridge Trust	For Information
Report author: Jack Joslin, Head of Central Grants Programme, Central Grants Unit (CGU)	

#### Summary

This report provides an update on the CGP and the CGU. The report includes the outcomes of the three CGP grant rounds delivered so far in 2019/20 and an overview of the wider work of the CGU.

#### Recommendations:

Members are asked to note the CGP and CGU progress update report.

#### **Main Report**

#### **Background**

- The CGU has been established since October 2016 to manage the effectiveness of the CGP based on recommendations of the Effectiveness of Grants Service Based Review (SBR).
- 2. The CGU is co-located with the City Bridge Trust (CBT) team in order to facilitate consistency of approach and harmonise service standards across grant-making activities by the City Corporation (in its various capacities, including as trustee of a number of charities which form part of the CGP). The Chief Grants Officer, responsible for the grant-making activities of CBT is also responsible for maintaining an overview of the CGU (and broader charity matters), with relevant input from the Charity Finance Team (Chamberlain's Department), with the work being delivered by the Head of Central Grants Programme (HCGP).
- 3. In March 2018 the Resource Allocation Sub-Committee and Policy and Resources Committee met and both agreed to support the implementation of the CGP on a permanent basis from the 1<sup>st</sup> April 2018. Members agreed an uplift to the City's Cash Grants element of the CGP Budget to enable this to equal £250,000 annually, being approximately 20% of the City's Cash grants

- budget, an uplift of £91,000 for 2018/19. Members also noted the uplift of £10,000 applied to the operating costs of the CGU, included within the approved CBT budget for 2018/19.
- 4. This amount is supplemented by the management fee paid to the CGU by a number of small charities in respect of which the City Corporation is charity trustee and which are administered through the CGP in a manner consistent with their charitable objects and governing documents, it being considered in each case to be in the charity's best interests for their most efficient administration and effective application of funds to do so, these matters being kept under review in the normal way.
- 5. The four CGP funding themes were agreed in March 2016 by the Policy and Resources Committee, and the eligibility criteria subsequently agreed by each respective grant-giving committee and, as relevant, adopted for each charity operating within the CGP consistent with the objects of each charity.

#### **CGP Update**

6. A breakdown outlining the number of successful applications and amounts awarded for each programme across the 7 Month Period from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2019 are in the table below (encompassing the application of charitable funds):

7 Month Grant Period April 2018 – October 2019				
	Number of	Amount		
CoL Programme	Grants	Awarded		
Education & Employment	9	£126,825		
Inspiring London through Culture	5	£49,616		
Enjoying Green Spaces and the Natural				
Environment	0	£0		
Stronger Communities	6	£29,000		
Total	19	£205,441		

- 7. An update in more detail on the progress of the four CGP grant rounds for 2019/20 is provided in **Appendix 1**. 3 grant rounds remain before the end of the financial year and the HCGP has worked closely with officers to ensure they are well publicised to ensure the budget is met.
- 8. Detail of all applications approved, withdrawn and rejected under the CGP in 2019/20 is shown at **Appendix 2**.
- 9. A breakdown of the forecast management costs for the CGU in 2019/20 is shown at **Appendix 3**.

#### **Overview of CGP**

#### **Education and Employment**

10. This programme is funded from two charities. The Education Charity Sub-Committee met in July 2019 to make decisions on grant applications received in the April Education and Employment grant round. Grants were awarded from both the City Educational Trust Fund (290840) and the City of London Corporation Combined Education Charity (312836). As the majority of the budget for the City of London Corporation Combined Education Charity was spent in this round the Sub-Committee recommended and the Education Board has resolved to cancel the next grant application deadline and relaunch for an April 2020 deadline. The Sub-Committee also recommended and the Education Board resolved to close the next 2019/20 funding round for the City Educational Trust Fund due to an over commitment of the unrestricted general fund of the City Educational Trust Fund.

11. At the Education Charity Sub-Committee in July Members once again recommended revised wording to widen the eligibility criteria for both charities to facilitate improved distribution of funds which is to be referred to the Community and Children's Services Committee in December and then to the Education Board in January for consideration and approval. A new grant round will be proposed for April 2020 subject to approval on the amended criteria.

#### Inspiring London through Culture

12. This continues to be a very popular programme and is solely funded from City's Cash. The HCGP worked closely with officers to ensure that the rounds were well advertised across a range of channels. One funding round has taken place so far with decisions made the Assistant Town Clerk in consultation with the Chairman and Deputy Chairman of the Culture, Heritage and Libraries Committee upon the advice of a panel of expert officers in July 2019. 16 applications were received with only 5 awarded funding due to a tight budget and an anticipation of the January 2020 round being very popular.

#### **Stronger Communities**

- 13. The Stronger Communities Programme is funded from City's Cash and charitable funding and has run one grant round so far in 2019/20. The programme received only 6 applications to the last deadline and one application outside of the deadline cycle. The programme still finds it difficult to promote itself to charities working on City of London managed housing estates. The CGU has been working closely with the housing and community engagement team in the Community and Children's Services Department to ensure better uptake in the November 2019 deadline.
- 14. At the September Children and Community Services (CCS) Committee it was agreed to increase the value of City's Cash grants to this programme to £20,000 over a two-year period. From a recent London Funders meeting on small grants attended by the HCGP it was agreed that Small Grants offered over a longer period provided better outcomes for community organisations and their beneficiaries, this was taken into consideration when proposing the uplift. Due diligence on these grants will increase proportionately in line with the amount being requested.

- 15. At the September CCS Committee, it was also requested that the CGU look at options to open up the City's Cash Small Grants (up to £3,000) element of the Stronger Communities programme on a rolling basis. This is being explored with departmental officers to be outlined at the November meeting of the CCS Committee.
- 16. At the February 2018 CCS Committee, Members resolved that £30,000 of the Stronger Communities budget (City's Cash) under the CGP could be committed to support grants to organisations applying through a new 'crowd funding' platform run by Spacehive. The CGU continues to manage the Spacehive grants programme and a number of projects have been supported delivering work across the City. The cost of the Spacehive budget are met by Departmental Budgets with the CGU responsible for assessing project applications on the platform and providing recommendations to officers from the Department of Community and Children's Services (DCCS). Work is ongoing with Spacehive to see if this will be continued for a further year.
- 17. The funds of the City of London Corporation Combined Relief of Poverty Charity (1073660) also form part of this programme. The charity's modest funds were more than doubled following the decisions taken to transfer the assets of the Corporation of London Benevolent Association (206643) (the Association), an historic charity funded by elected Members, to the Combined Relief of Poverty Charity. The Association's assets were transferred to the Combined Relief of Poverty Charity (1073660) as a restricted fund on 31 October 2018. Work is ongoing with DCCS Officers, supported by the Chamberlain's and Comptroller and City Solicitor's departments, to update the Stronger Communities eligibility criteria to reflect the availability of additional funds for distribution following the transfer of assets from the Association to the Combined Relief of Poverty Charity, and to accommodate the restrictions on these funds, and to facilitate the aware of grants from this charity in 2019/20. The HCGP is working with DCCS officers to ensure that funds can be awarded from this Charity.
- 18. In October 2019, following the recommendation of the Port Health and Environmental Services Committee, the Court of Common Council acting as Trustee of the Signor Favale Marriage Portions Charity (206949) (the Favale Charity) resolved to close the Favale Charity by updating the objects to reflect those of the receiving charity, by releasing the restrictions on expenditure of the permanent endowment, and then transferring the charity's funds free of restrictions to the City of London Corporation Combined Relief of Poverty Charity (1073660), with an expression of wish that Signor Favale's name be retained in some way in future grant-giving, subject to Charity Commission consent. The Community and Children's Services Committee acting for the City Corporation as Trustee of the Combined Relief of Poverty Charity has subsequently resolved that it was in that charity's interests for it to take receipt of the funds on this basis. Once the transfer has been completed, additional funds will therefore be available for distribution from the Combined Relief of Poverty Charity under the Stronger Communities theme. Approximately

£15,000 is estimated to be added to the funds of the Combined Relief of Poverty Charity.

#### Enjoying Green Spaces and the Natural Environment

- 19. This programme is funded solely from City's Cash. Enjoying Green Spaces and the Natural Environment is currently under assessment, the programme has one grant round each year. This application round is the largest that the programme has seen, which means it is heavily oversubscribed
- 20. The HCGP has worked with officers in the Open Spaces Department to develop a marketing strategy for the October 2019 grant round based on the success of the last year. The HCGP has carried out funding presentations in Epping Forest, Parliament Hill on Hampstead Heath, and Ashtead Common and provided one to one support on applications from Burnham Beaches and City Commons. (These open spaces are the property of other charities in respect of which the City Corporation is trustee.)
- 21. The HCGP has supported Open Spaces Officers to survey applicants and stakeholders from across the Department on whether the eligibility criteria for the programme are still suitable. A review was completed with recommendations being made to the Open Spaces and City Gardens Committee in April 2019 for Decision. The Committee agreed the amendments to the criteria and also increased the maximum grant to £20,000 over a three-year period, in line with the results of the consultation and best practice.

#### Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Neighbourhood Fund

- 22. The CGU was originally set up to manage the effectiveness of the CGP. Due to its success, in May the Policy and Resources Committee agreed that the City CIL Neighbourhood Fund be managed by the Corporation's Central Grants Unit. The HCGP has been working on developing the programme since the first of June. It was agreed that a substantive post be brought in to manage the programme with oversight from the HCCP. This work is ongoing and further information on the proposed programme will be announced once the part-time (0.6FTE) position of CIL Neighbourhood Programme Manager has been recruited to. Any resource spent on the CIL Neighbourhood Fund by the CGU is covered by a 5% administration fee that can be drawn on from CIL.
- 23. The CGU managing the CIL Neighbourhood Fund will widen the scope of the CGU but also this Committee. If Members are in agreement officers will look to broaden the scope of the Terms of Reference for this Committee to include scrutiny of the CIL to be implemented. This will be brought to Committee for discussion in January.

#### General

24. Due to the success of the CGU referred to in the preceding paragraph, the CGU is now also being approached to administer other grants (including

- charitable grants) and provide grant-making support in respect of grants that do not form part of the CGP. These additional matters and activities will be reported to this sub-committee to the extent that they fall within its remit.
- 25. The CGU still monitors organisations that are perceived to have fallen through the cracks as they may have previously benefited from funding from the City Corporation's previous arrangements for grant-making but are ineligible under the current CGP funding criteria. Further information on these organisations can be provided at Members' request or verbally at the meeting.
- 26. The HCGP delivers programme specific workshops and has one coming up in November to talk to City based Voluntary Sector organisations about the Stronger Communities programme. The CGU are always on hand to discuss applications and work with departmental officers to provide a package of support where required.
- 27. The City of London holds a contingency fund of £100,000 in its City's Cash budget, allocated to the International Disasters Fund (IDF) administered by the Finance Committee. The CGU provide advice and make recommendations to the Finance Committee about where to distribute IDF in response to International Appeals. This year to date a donation has been made to Team Rubicon UK in their response to the Hurricane Dorian Appeal in the Bahamas in September 2019.
- 28. The CGU continues to draw on and adopt the best practice of CBT. At the CBT Committee in September 2019 and subsequently at Court of Common Council it was agreed that Funding Managers have authority to undertake an independent financial assessment of grants of up to £50,000. In line with this best practice the HCGP will have the authority to approve the financial assessment of grants under the CGU up to the value of £50,000, and to draw on the expertise of the Chamberlain as and when required.

#### Monitoring

- 29. The HCGP has set up and implemented the online monitoring and evaluation system in line with best practice from the CBT. Monitoring is generally of a good standard with grantees reporting on the success and impact of their funded schemes, the enhanced reach of the funding provided and how the funding has helped to leverage additional or match-funding for projects.
- 30. The CGU is working with the new Head of Learning and Impact function within the CBT team to improve and develop their monitoring system and find better ways of learning from the varied grant portfolio.

#### **Next steps 2019/20**

31. The CGU will continue to work with the CGO, The Comptroller and City Solicitor's Department and the Chamberlain's Department to explore the consolidation and rationalisation of charities associated with the City

- Corporation, in particular those whose activities involve grant-making. A presentation will be made about this work at the Committee.
- 32. The HCGP will work with the Philanthropy Director to support implementation and delivery of the Philanthropy Strategy.
- 33. The table below outlines the application deadlines for the CGP for the rest of 2019/20.
- 34. The HCGP continues to be the allocated Borough Grants Officer to attend the London Borough Grants Officer Forum, hosted by London Councils. This is a useful forum to discuss issues across London and get updates from London Funders and London Councils. This has been especially useful for sharing experiences of implementing the CIL Neighborhood Fund.

**Appendix 1** – CGP Grants Overview 2018/19

**Appendix 2** – Overview of Approved, Rejected and Withdrawn Grants 2018/19

**Appendix 3** – Breakdown of CGU Management Costs

#### **Background Papers:**

- Policy and Resources Committee, January 2017, 'Review and Reclassification of Former Finance Grants Sub-Committee Grants'.
- Policy and Resources Committee, March 2018, 'Central Grants Programme Review'

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## Appendix 1 – Central Grants Programme overview 2019/20

Funding Theme	Committee/Officer Panel date	Total number of applications received	Total number of applications approved	Funding Available 2019/20	Total funding awarded through CGP (£)	Balance
Education and Employment	Education Charity Sub- Committee - July 2019, The City of London Corporation Combined Education Charity (290129).	8 Applications	5	£64,000	£49,000	£15,000
	Education Charity Sub- Committee - July 2019, (The City Educational Trust Fund (290840).	4 Applications	4	£95,146	£77,825	£17,321
	Total Education Overall	12 Applications	9	£159,146	£126,825	£32,321
Inspiring London through Culture	Culture, Heritage and Libraries – 2 Officer Panels July 2019 - Further round January 2020	16 Applications	5	£90,000	£49,616	£40,384
Stronger Communities	2 Officer Panels – July 2019,	7 Applications	6	£123,000	£29,000	£94,000

	Further round November 2019					
Enjoying Green Spaces and the Natural Environment	1 Officer Panel Programme under assessment	N/A	0	£87,000	£0,00	£87,000
Total		23 Applications	11	£300,000	£78,616	£221,384

Total	35 Application	20	£459,146	£205,441	£253,705

## Appendix 2 – Grants Awarded, Rejected and Withdrawn

#### Grants Awarded:

CoL Programmes	Organisation Name	Grant Amount	Project Description
Stronger Communities	Aldgate Community Events	£10,000	£10,000 to support the costs of the Lantern Festival and Winter Fete taking place on Aldgate Square in December.
Stronger Communities	City YMCA London	£3,000	£3,000 towards enhancing the Summer holiday programme for the Golden Lane Community Centre youth provision with the aim of increasing participation.
Stronger Communities	Portsoken Ward Club	£3,000	£3,000 towards the annual Coach trip for residents of Portsoken Ward to Boulogne. As well as additional Summer Coach Trips to go fruit picking and to the seaside.
Stronger Communities	Spanish and Portuguese Jews Synagogue	£10,000	£10,000 contribution towards the capital improvements of the Bevis Marks Synagogue to improve its access to the Aldgate Community.
Stronger Communities	Portsoken Activities Group	£3,000	£3,000 to contribute to the cost of delivering three community events in the Portsoken Ward between July and September.
	Total Grants	£29,000	
CoL Programmes	Organisation Name	Grant Amount	Project Description

Inspiring London through Culture	Spitalfields Music	£9,816	£9,816 contribution to the total cost of delivering 4 two-hour walking tours in the City of London and Tower Hamlets inspired by black history and music. Funding is conditional on a discussion with your Funding Manager about the legacy of this project.
Inspiring London through Culture	Arts & Heritage	£10,000	£10,000 towards a series of site-responsive outdoor artist commissions exploring the history of Livery Companies and their connection with the Mayflower voyage. Funding is conditional on the exhibition being publicly accessible.
Inspiring London through Culture	Britten Sinfonia	£10,000	£10,000 to cover training, equipment and associated costs for eight Britten Sinfonia musicians to learn how to use digital scores, rehearse and perform with them, culminating in their use at a Milton Court concert on 2/11/19.
Inspiring London through Culture	Culture24	£9,800	£9,800 to support the cost of Emerge festival city tours: a project where young adults experience the square mile's cultural venues and stories for the first time.
Inspiring London through Culture	Restorative Justice for All (RJ4All)	£10,000	£10,000 to deliver the "Culture and Art for the Square Mile" project in 2019/20.
	Total Grants	£49,616	
CoL Programmes	Organisation Name	Grant Amount	Project Description
Education & Employment Combined Education Charity	The Architectural Association	£5,000	£5,000 towards the course fees and materials for a Fourth Year of a five-year ARB/RIBA recognised course in architecture leading to the AA Final Examination (ARB/RIBA Part 2) and the AA Diploma at the Architectural Association.
Education & Employment Combined Education Charity	Queen Mary University of London	£5,000	£5,000 to support the course costs of an ILM FT in Human Rights Law at Queen Mary University.

Education & Employment Combined Education Charity	Royal Central School of Speech & Drama	£5,000	£5,000 contribution to the course fees for a Masters in Acting at the Royal Central School of Speech and Drama.
Education & Employment Combined Education Charity	Birkbeck, University of London	£24,000	£24,000 over two years (£12,000; £12,000) to provide financial assistance, in the form of bursaries (4 X £3,000 in each year), for students progressing from their Foundation Year courses to undergraduate studies at Birkbeck University.
Education & Employment Combined Education Charity	London South Teaching School Alliance	£10,000	£10,000 over 12 months to cover the costs of a research project for 20 teachers from 10 London schools implement effective classroom talk for better learning and teaching.
Education & Employment The City Educational Trust Fund	Dr Johnson's House Trust Ltd	£10,425	A continuation of funding of £10,425 over one final year, towards the costs of Dr Johnson's House's education programme for London primary and secondary schools and university students, in the cultural arts.
Education & Employment The City Educational Trust Fund	Drum Works CIC	£20,250	£20,250 over two years, to deliver weekly drumming workshops for autistic children with severe learning difficulties at the Garden School in Hackney.
Education & Employment The City Educational Trust Fund	Epping Forest Field Centre	£23,150	£23,150 over two years (£11,575 x 2) to deliver ecology training to Key Stage 3 and 4 science teachers in London schools, and to run "Young Ecologist" day courses in Epping Forest for aspiring young ecologists from the London Boroughs of Newham, Redbridge and Waltham Forest.

Education &	London Music	£24,000	£24,000 to provide instrumental scholarships for twelve young
Employment	Fund		Londoners from low income families to develop their musical
The City			potential.
Educational Trust			
Fund			
	Total Grants	£126,825	
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### Grants Rejected and Withdrawn:

CoL Programmes	Organisation Name	Request Amount	Project Description
Stronger Communities	Chess in Schools and Communities	£2,470	The applicant could not provide the appropriate financial information within agreed timescales even when requested on multiple occasions. The application is rejected, and feedback will be provided to the applicant.
Stronger Communities	Music in Hospitals	£9,000	The application did not demonstrate how it met the outcomes of the programme as the majority of the work took place outside of the City and was not sufficiently targeted at City residents or communities living in City of London managed housing estates.
CoL Programmes	Organisation Name	Request Amount	Project Description
Inspiring London through Culture	Academy of Ancient Music	£6,000	The Charity seeks funding to research, perform and record Jan Ladislav Dussek's Mass in C, a lesser-known piece of classical music at the Barbican in 2019. A recording of the performance will be available on music streaming platform Spotify.
			The panel did not consider that this application sufficiently meets the outcomes of the Inspiring London through Culture programme and needed to priorities projects that did.

Inspiring London through Culture	Adoramus	£2,000	Funding is sought for the first public performance, at St. Sepulchrewithout-Newgate, of a newly commissioned <i>Missa Brevis</i> by a large mixed choir and orchestra.  The panel did not consider that this application sufficiently meets the
			outcomes of the Inspiring London through Culture programme and needed to priorities projects that did. It was also felt that the costs of the concert could be considered prohibitive and not open to all.
Inspiring London through Culture	Bishopsgate Institute	£10,000	Funding is sought to run a programme of free lunchtime concerts at Bishopsgate Institute to enhance cultural provision in the area.
			The application did not demonstrate how it meets the outcome of the programme. The application did not demonstrate how it will attract new audiences, even after detailed feedback on a previously submitted proposal.
Inspiring London through Culture	The Classical Road Show	£9,860	Application was withdrawn as the applicant was successful in receiving full funding for the project. They will look to reapply in a future round.
Inspiring London through Culture	London Euphonia Orchestra	£10,000	Continuation funding to cover the operational costs including rehearsal space, venue hire and marketing to deliver concerts in the City over the course of a year.
			The applicant has not done enough to demonstrate how the previous funding awarded by your committee has helped them to become financially sustainable. The panel agreed that they did not wish the organisation to become over reliant on your funding and feedback should be provided that any future application contains a match funding offer. The organisation will be invited to re-apply in January.
Inspiring London through Culture	Open Audio Ltd	£4,845	New music and poetry concert series providing rare access to the Bascule Chambers of Tower Bridge for younger audiences.

			Although the application was deemed to be of a good quality it was not clear how the programme would target new audiences and more development of this would be required. The panel felt they could not priorities this application at this time but would be happy to receive a more developed application in the future.
Inspiring London through Culture	St Stephen Walbrook	£7,500	To deliver a series of interactive school workshops in October/ November 2019, culminating in a pavilion inspired by the cultural heritage of St Stephen Walbrook.
			At assessment it emerged that the organisation had not considered how to target students affected by socio-economic deprivation or lacking in cultural opportunities. The project was originally intended to take place between January and September 2019, tying in with Fantastic Feats and the London Design Festival. The timescale has now been pushed back, meaning that the pavilion will now be completed after the end of Fantastic Feats and will not tie in with the design festival. Feedback will be provided to allow for a more structured future proposal to be received.
Inspiring London through Culture	Asociatia Cvartetul Grazioso	£10,000	This application was looking for funding to put on a Romanian Rock Opera in the Troxy in Tower Hamlets.  This application is for a project that will not take place in the City of London. Furthermore, the applicant organisation is not registered in
Inspiring London through Culture	CurvingRoad	£12,769	the UK and therefore not eligible.  To contribute to the costs of Theatre Deli's 2020 season <i>The Future is Unwritten</i> , targeting a wide range of City audiences.  Although there were strong elements to this project it became clear at assessment that the work may not be viable. The organisation has some financial issues to overcome before any commitment could be made to this work.

CoL Programmes	Organisation Name	Request Amount	Project Description
Education	City of London School for Girls	£5,000	The applicant did not make a sufficient case as to how their application would further the objects of the Combined Education Charity.
Education	Kingston University	£5,000	The applicant did not make a sufficient case as to how their application would further the objects of the Combined Education Charity.
Education	UAL Central Saint Martins	£5,000	The applicant did not make a sufficient case as to how their application would further the objects of the Combined Education Charity.

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Committee Finance Grants Oversight and Performance Sub- Committee	<b>Dated:</b> 12/11/2019
Subject Central Grants Programme (CGP) – City's Cash Grant Budget	Public
Report of: Chief Grants Officer and Director of City Bridge Trust (CGO)	For information
Report author: Jack Joslin, Head of Central Grants, Central Grants Unit	

#### **Summary**

This report provides an update to Members on the City's Cash Grants Budget Allocations.

#### Recommendations:

Members are asked to note the City's Cash Grants Budget Allocations.

#### Main Report

#### **Background**

- 1. In July 2017, the Finance Grants Oversight and Performance Sub-Committee met to receive a report providing an update on the CGP. At the meeting members requested to see a breakdown of the City's Cash Grants Budget to get a better understanding of the current commitments and how they relate to the budget held by the CGU. An update for 2019 is now provided.
- 2. **Appendix 1** outlines the historical, current and future City's Cash Grants Budget specifying the responsible committee for each.

#### **Current Position**

3. The overall City's Cash Grants budget proposed for 2020/21 remains at a similar level to previous years, with the most significant allocation being to Education related activities. These grants are being considered within the current Tomlinson Review. The amount under the management of the CGU for the year remains at the previously approved level of £250,000. Members should note that previous years stated budgets include carry-forward amounts.

- 4. In January 2019 the Chairman and Deputy Chairman of Finance approved an early transfer of an unspent amount from another City's Cash grants budget (King Edward's School, Witley) to deal with the demand in applications received to the Inspiring London through Culture theme of the Central Grants Programme. As this theme and the Enjoying Green Spaces theme are likely to be heavily oversubscribed this year members should be aware that another in-year request may be requested, to ensure that each theme can support as many good applications as possible.
- 5. Members will note the continued budget for Toynbee Hall/ CAB. The City Advice Service is for all residents, workers and students within the square mile and tenants on City of London Housing estates. Toynbee Hall have provided the service, with support from the Royal Courts of Justice, since October 2015 at a cost of £200,000 per year. The contract cost is met from the Director of Community and Children's Services' Local Risk budget and the City's Cash Grants budget reimburse the department for half the cost (for the City worker and student element). From the start of the contract until April this year the City Advice Service has supported 442 residents and 451 workers and students in areas such as welfare benefits, debt, housing, employment rights, consumer rights and family issues.
- 6. The current contract will end in October 2020 and recommissioning activity has commenced to shape the service once the current contract ends. Members should note that there will be a continued allocation of City's Cash funding to at least the current value to enable the service to continue for City workers and students in the future.

#### Conclusion

7. For members to note the City's Cash Grants Budget allocation and the update on specific lines in the budget.

Appendix 1 – Overview of City's Cash Grants Budget Allocations

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#### City's Cash Grants - 4 year trend Responsible Committee 2017/18 2018/19 2019/20 2020/21 Total across Actual **Budget** Budget Actual 4 years Central Grants Unit **FGOPS** 278,469 440,524 308,000 250,000 1,276,993 Sports and Social Association Establishment 11,225 11,200 11,225 11,225 44,875 Pensioners Lunch Establishment Α 26,133 0 0 0 26,133 Staff Christmas Lunch Establishment 44,481 0 0 0 44,481 Toynbee Hall/CAB DCCS 100,000 100,000 400,000 100,000 100,000 Strings Project DCCS В 44,000 44,000 44,000 44,000 176,000 Port Health Thames Fishery Research 5,332 5,332 5,460 5,460 21,584 St Lawrence Jewry Finance Committee 83,430 85,700 97,500 100.035 366.665 Marathon Team Establishment С 3,494 3,465 3,500 3,500 13,959 В King Edwards School Witley Education 444,652 443,344 500,000 500,000 1,887,996 National/International Disasters Finance Committee С 100,000 100,000 100,000 100,000 400,000 Christ Hospital Education В 80,000 80,000 80,000 80,000 320,000 Guildhall School Trust UK/EU Bursaries Education В 30,000 30,000 30,000 30,000 120,000 Honourable Irish Society Finance Committee 25,000 25,000 25,000 25,000 100,000 1.368.566 1,276,216 1,304,685 1.249.220 5,198,687 Costs of grant assessments Costs 41,265 53,966 60,000 60,000 215,231 1,317,481 1,422,532 1,364,685 1,309,220 5,413,918 **FGOPS** 25% 278,469 22% 440,524 32% 308,000 24% 250,000 20% 1,276,993 Establishment 85,333 7% 14,665 1% 14.725 1% 14.725 1% 129,448 2% DCCS 144,000 11% 144,000 11% 144,000 11% 144,000 12% 576,000 11% Port Health 5,332 0% 5,332 0% 5,460 0% 5,460 0% 21,584 0% Finance Committee 222,500 17% 208,430 16% 210,700 15% 17% 225,035 18% 866,665 Education 554,652 43% 553,344 40% 610,000 47% 610,000 49% 2,327,996 45% **Split of Total Grants Awarded** 1,276,216 100% 1,368,566 100% 1,304,685 100% 1,249,220 100% 5,198,687 100%

Α	Now Funded from a different Budget
В	Being considered within Tomlinson Review
C	Awaiting Confirmation

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