

<b>Committee:</b> Grants Committee of the Bridge House Estates Board	<b>Date:</b> 5 December 2022
<b>Subject:</b> Grant Funding Activity: Period Ended 17 November 2022	<b>Public</b>
<b>Which outcomes in the <i>BHE Bridging London 2020 – 2045 Strategy</i> does this proposal aim to support?</b>	1, 2 and 3
<b>Which Bridging Divides Funding Strategy priority does proposal aim to support?</b>	All
<b>Report of:</b> David Farnsworth, Managing Director of BHE	<b>For Decision</b>
<b>Report author:</b> Theodore Tsipiras, CBT Operations Manager	

## Summary

This report provides details of: funds approved and rejected under delegated authority since the last meeting of the Grants Committee in September 2022 through to 17 November 2022; the remaining 2022/2023 grants budget; grants spend to date and for this meeting by London Borough compared with the Multiple Index of Deprivation; any grant variations that have been approved under delegated authority; and seeks the Grants Committee's approval for 3 grant rejections, 5 grants over £250k and 1 grant under £250k.

## Recommendations

It is recommended that the Grants Committee of the Bridge House Estates Board, in the discharge of functions for the City Corporation as Trustee of Bridge House Estates (charity no. 1035628) and solely in the charity's best interests:

- i) Receive this report and note its contents;
- ii) Approve the grants as recommended in Appendix 3; and,
- iii) Approve the rejection of grants as listed in Appendix 4.

## Main Report

### Budget and Applications update

1. There have been 66 grants awarded from the main grants programmes since the last meeting of the Grants Committee, with the net grant spend to date £34.3m (including associated costs and allocations, £36.4m). This leaves the remaining budget for 2022/23 (after £2m agreed in principle but not yet committed to Baobab) at £65.6m.
2. A full summary of grants committed and funds available for future commitments can be seen in **Appendix 1**. Heat maps of spending are shown in **Appendix 2**.
3. In addition to the grants listed in **Appendix 1**, 7 applications were withdrawn since the last meeting to 17 November 2022.

## **Recommendations to approve over £250k**

4. The Grants Committee's approval is requested for 5 Bridging Divides applications of over £250k and 1 under £250k within this report (which would usually have been approved under delegated authority).
5. A copy of the corresponding grant assessment reports can be found at **Appendix 3**.

## **Grant Rejections**

6. The 3 applications above the level delegated to officers recommended for rejection at this meeting are listed within **Appendix 4**. In each case the "purpose" of the application is that provided by the applicant organisation. The reasons for rejection are specified following assessment against the Bridging Divides funding strategy criteria and related Policy Guidance.
7. Copies of these application forms are available electronically. If any Committee Member wishes to query any of the recommendations, this can either be done at the meeting, in which case the decision may be deferred while full details are provided to the Member concerned, or by contacting the CBT office in advance of the meeting so that an explanation can be provided prior to or at the meeting.
8. A list of all rejections approved in line with the current delegated authority procedure are provided within **Appendix 5**.

## **Grant Variations**

9. Variations to the grants outlined have been agreed by the Managing Director of BHE or the CBT Associate Director, in line with the delegated procedure for the amendment of grants. Details of all variations are provided at **Appendix 6**.

## **Funds approved or declined under delegated authority**

10. The details provided at **Appendix 7** advise the Grants Committee of funds approved under delegated authority and urgency procedures from September 2022 to 17 November 2022.

## **Conclusion**

11. This report provides details of grant funding activity since the last meeting of the Grants Committee in September 2022 and seeks the Grants Committee's approval for 3 grant rejections, 5 grants over £250k and 1 under £250k.

## **Appendices:**

- Appendix 1: Budget and applications update
- Appendix 2: Heat maps of Index of Multiple Deprivation, Bridging Divides spend to date and this meeting's grants
- Appendix 3: Grant recommendations to approve

- Appendix 4: Grant rejections recommended for approval
- Appendix 5: Grant rejections
- Appendix 6: Grant variations
- Appendix 7: Funds approved or declined under delegated authority or under urgency requests

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**Appendix 1: Budget for main grants programmes and restricted funds to date (22/23 financial year).**

<i>Date of this report: 17/11/2022</i>	Designated Fund - Bridging Divides, Cornerstone, Bridge Fund	Restricted funds - LCRF, TFL, RRR2	TOTAL
	£'000		
<b>Funds balance at 1 April 2022 per draft accounts</b>	210,285	297	210,582
<i>Already earmarked for projects</i>	(460)	0	(460)
<b>Funds available for grantmaking at 1/4/22</b>	<b>209,825</b>	<b>297</b>	<b>210,122</b>
<b>Grants awarded 2022/23</b>			
<i>Grants reported to/approved by Committees to date</i>	(27,882)	0	(27,882)
<i>Delegated authority grants since last Cttee</i>	(6,391)	0	(6,391)
<b>TOTAL AWARDED TO DATE OF REPORT</b>	<b>(34,273)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(34,273)</b>
Number of grants awarded	237	0	237
Write backs, variations & revocations financial YTD	28	0	28
Number of grants revoked, varied or written back	19	0	19
Other costs incl. staff costs associated with £200m uplift	(158)	0	(158)
Conditional grants*	(178)	0	(178)
Stepping Stones loan awarded under Bridging Divides*	(50)	0	(50)
<b>TOTAL SPENT/ALLOCATED TO DATE</b>	<b>(34,630)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(34,452)</b>
<b>Subtotal: available at the date of this report</b>	<b>175,195</b>	<b>297</b>	<b>175,670</b>
Total grants recommended for approval December 2022	<b>(4,020)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(4,020)</b>
<b>Remaining funds available</b>	<b>171,175</b>	<b>297</b>	<b>171,650</b>

<b>2022/23 budget summary</b>			
Approved Grants Budget 2022/23	101,490	0	101,490
Add non-grant spend budget 2022/23	830	0	830
Add restricted funds brought forward	0	180	180
<b>Budget for 2022/23</b>	<b>102,320</b>	<b>180</b>	<b>102,500</b>
<i>Grants awarded to date of this report net of revocations</i>	(34,301)	0	(34,301)
<i>Other costs and allocations</i>	(385)	0	(385)
<b>Budget available to Committee at report date</b>	<b>67,634</b>	<b>180</b>	<b>67,814</b>
Baobab funds not yet committed	<b>(2,000)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(2,000)</b>
<b>Remaining budget available</b>	<b>65,634</b>	<b>180</b>	<b>65,814</b>

\*Awarded in 21/22 but remain in this report for 22/23

**Appendix 2: Heat maps of Index of Multiple Deprivation (average score for borough), Bridging Divides spend to date (£), and this meeting's grants (£)**

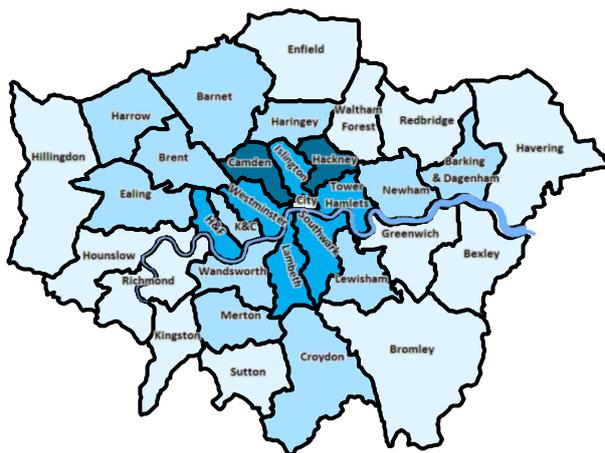
Note that CBT data is categorised by the borough location of the funded organisation. Support from that organisation may go to the same or other boroughs. Not all grants have this data recorded. Darker colours correlate to more money.

Index Multiple Deprivation (Average borough score) – dark colours = more deprivation

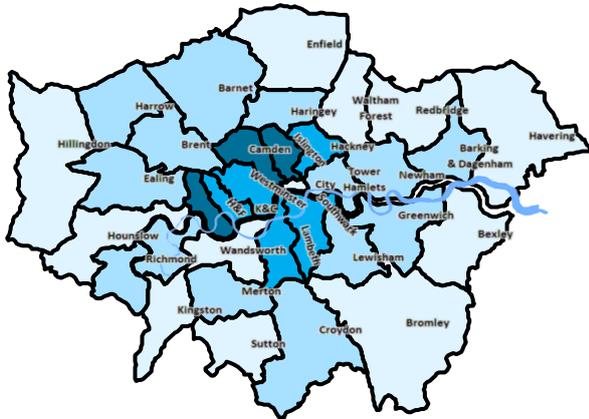


Main grants from start of Bridging Divides (September 2018) to committee date (excluding LCRF)

Main grants for this committee



Same data as above – per 1000 population<sup>1</sup> – but EXCLUDING City of London as the small population size here skews the comparison to ~100 times more than any other borough



Same data as above – per 1000 population - but EXCLUDING City of London again



<sup>1</sup> 2020 data from ONS via <https://www.statista.com/statistics/381055/london-population-by-borough/>

## **Appendix 3: 5 Grant recommendations to approve over £250k and 1 Grant recommendation under £250k**

**MEETING 5th December 2022**

**Ref: 19700**

**ASSESSMENT CATEGORY: Bridging Divides - Infrastructure funding: capacity building and representation**

**One Westminster**

**Adv: Caspar Cech-Lucas**

**Base: Westminster**

**Amount requested: £282,245**

**Benefit: Westminster**

**Amount recommended: £282,400**

### **The Applicant**

One Westminster (OW) is a registered charity set up in 2014 when Voluntary Action Westminster and Volunteer Centre Westminster merged. The applicant is the CVS (Council of Voluntary Services) for Westminster, providing advice, information, networking, and representation to the wider voluntary and community sector in the borough. Activities include one-to-one support for organisations, governance advice, providing opportunities for organisations to meet funders, supporting partnerships between the charitable, business, and voluntary sectors, and sending a regular e-bulletin containing funding information. OW manages the Volunteer Centre for Westminster and is also the host provider of Social Prescribers - employing 20 Social Prescribers who work with individuals referred to them by GPs and others.

### **The Application**

The application is specifically for the salary and project costs associated with a full time Head of CVS Service and represents funding that would mean that this applicant would have been funded for over five years continuously through your criteria relating to infrastructure organisations, meaning that you would have funded OW for over 10 years. Building on what was learnt through the organisation's previous grant (16056), the post holder will be responsible for supporting the work of two other colleagues and ensuring that the Voluntary and Community Sector in Westminster is provided with all the services needed for them to succeed. This includes the provision of up to date and relevant information on fundraising, policy, HR, facilities, networking opportunities, and access to training courses and advice through one-to-one surgeries. Through this funding, voluntary sector organisations in Westminster will be fully engaged in strategic decision making in the borough and have better access to available funding opportunities. This will be achieved through e-bulletins that are sent to over four hundred organisations, sharing information on funding opportunities (including at least four meet the funder events a year), distributing and acting on the results of an annual survey, and bringing people and organisations together to discuss how best to meet identified need.

CVS are crucial agencies whose role is to support the capacity and engagement of the wider voluntary and community sector within a given local authority area. The applicant is well known throughout the borough and understands the emerging needs of Westminster's communities. OW holds partnerships in all activities and areas of work with the voluntary and community sector, local authority, key council

officers, local communities, Adult Social Care and Children's Services, relevant Cabinet members, Primary Care Networks, and the Westminster GP Federation. By engaging daily with local organisations and understanding their needs, the sector is more resilient and has a voice on a borough wide platform. In the current climate, still dealing with pandemic and now cost-of-living pressures, demands on the local voluntary sector are increasing daily as social isolation and inadequate services impact on people's lives. There is gross inequality in Westminster, with a 14-year life expectancy difference from the poorest parts to the richest in the borough.

### Financial Information

OW recently successfully tendered with Westminster City Council for the funding to deliver the bulk of CVS work in the borough (3+2-year contract), having secured and delivered the previous contract. In addition to this, income comes from a mixture of earned income, fundraising, and delivering other contracts, representing diverse income streams. OW's reserves policy is to hold at least three months of operating costs equalling £118k, with this rising to £135k in 2022/23 as the redundancy value will increase. While the reserves target is not met in the table below, there is an increase in free unrestricted reserves year on year, showing that the organisation is moving towards meeting the target. OW is part of a defined benefit pension scheme, and currently pays around £11k a year towards the pension deficit as part of a deficit reduction plan. Given the nature of the scheme, the only liability that is accounted for is the present value of future years' deficit contributions, which are planned until 2028 to address the scheme deficit, reducing the risk of any other liability crystallising.

Year end as at	2021	2022	2023
	Signed Accounts £	Draft Accounts £	Budget £
<b>Income &amp; expenditure:</b>			
Income	869,455	1,006,526	1,092,205
Expenditure	(863,598)	(981,218)	(1,053,137)
<b>Surplus/(deficit)</b>	<b>5,857</b>	<b>25,308</b>	<b>39,068</b>
<b>Reserves:</b>			
Total restricted	61,601	20,754	41,764
Total unrestricted	85,370	151,525	169,583
<b>Total reserves</b>	<b>146,971</b>	<b>172,279</b>	<b>211,347</b>
Of which: free unrestricted	70,655	95,963	114,021
Reserves policy target	118,919	118,919	135,470
Free reserves over/(under) target	(48,264)	(22,956)	(21,449)

### Funding History

ID	Type	Meeting Date	Decision
16056	Bridging Divides	26/11/2020	£89,100 over two further and final years for a full time Senior Violence Interrupter and associated running costs.
16802	COVID19 London Community Response Fund	08/07/2020	A grant of £24,000 to fund the essential and urgent costs outlined in the application, so that the organisation can continue providing support to Londoners.
13958	Investing in Londoners	11/05/2017	£130,000 over three years towards a 0.6FTE post, associated running costs with costs for workshops and outreach support.

12030	Investing in Londoners	12/02/2014	£94,000 over two years towards the salary and support costs of an Organisational Development Officer (2 days pw) and an Information and Communications Officer (2 days pw) to deliver Voluntary Action Westminster's Just for You programme.
10315	Working with Londoners	20/01/2011	£135,000 over three years to support voluntary organisations across Westminster with outcome monitoring, evaluation, and communication. The funding to be used for the following posts: 40% of a Monitoring and Evaluation Officer and 40% of an Information Officer.
9343	Working with Londoners	22/01/2009	£64,700 over a final two years (£33,000; £31,700) for the salary and related costs of a part time Capacity Building Officer for third sector organisations in the City.

### **The Recommendation**

**£282,400 over 5 years (£52,700; £55,100; £56,600; £58,200; £59,800) towards the salary and project costs for a full time Head of CVS Service.**

**MEETING 5<sup>th</sup> December 2022**

**Ref: 19736**

**ASSESSMENT CATEGORY: Bridging Divides - Infrastructure funding: capacity building and representation**

**Voice4Change England**

**Adv: Clare Payne**

**Base: Camden**

**Amount requested: £399,031**

**Benefit: Hackney**

**Amount recommended: £399,040**

### **The Applicant**

Voice4Change England is a registered charity and company limited by guarantee. It was established in 2007 as a national membership organisation for Black and Minoritised (BME) voluntary sector organisations. Today it has over 550 members, 60% of which are London based. It delivers direct infrastructure support to BME community organisations, strengthens the sector through collaboration, and works with members and affiliates to increase awareness of the BME voluntary sector and improve its direct involvement and representation in decision making and policy forums. A focus on harnessing and sharing the BME voluntary sector voice is a particular priority of the charity, and Voice4Change England feeds this into policy work, campaigns, consultations, and research wherever possible.

During the early months of the Covid-19 pandemic, Voice4Change England was approached by several funding organisations wishing to target crisis grants to BME led charities and community groups. In a very short period, it transformed itself into a grant distributor administering close to £1.3 million of emergency funding from Comic Relief, MIND and Sport England to 200 BME voluntary organisations across the UK, within a year. Several of these original funders continued to target funding through Voice4Change England and its role as a grant distributor is now firmly embedded in its core activities. In the current financial year, it has also received grant income to redistribute from the National Lottery Community Fund and the Home Office.

Voice4Change England has four trustees and is currently recruiting for new board members. It has a staff team of nine, having recruited four new staff members in the last eighteen months to support its grant making and increased advocacy work.

### **The Application**

Voice4Change England seeks funding over five years, to develop an infrastructure project to build the capacity, leadership, efficiency, and organisational resilience of BME voluntary sector organisations in London. The charity will take an asset-based approach (ie building on the assets that are found in the community and mobilising individuals, associations, and institutions to come together to realise and develop their strengths) to project delivery and work with those in its networks, including grantees and members respectively, to collaborate and co-design a programme of support. A core aim of the project is to build recognition of the value of the BME voluntary and community sector to encourage investment in it, and Voice4Change England will act as a connector and bridge to local and city-wide engagement and influencing opportunities.

In addition to addressing ongoing issues such as underfunding of the BME voluntary sector, the charity also hopes to respond, within the project, to emerging post-pandemic needs such as the impact of the cost-of-living crisis on beneficiaries, reduced organisational capacity, and the closure of community premises. Funding will support the recruitment and salary of a new part-time Project Officer (18.5 hours per week) and contribute to the salaries of two existing members of staff - a Head of Development and Grants (9.25 hours per week) and a Head of Policy (9.25 hours per week).

### **Background and detail of proposal**

This proposal was developed through ongoing consultation and feedback loops with Voice4Change England's members, grantees, and participants. Consultation undertaken by the charity evidences that the BME voluntary and community sector lost 25% of funding between 2009-16, compared to 5% generic voluntary community sector loss. Those in its networks report that it is difficult to plan for the long-term, and this affects the delivery of services to the most vulnerable. Monitoring shows that 97% of those in its networks wanted help with developing relationships and building influence, and 37% with continuity planning. 53% wanted help to develop more effective service provision and 46% to develop marketing and communications.

Voice4Change England has designed a programme which will build the capacity, sustainability, networks, and influence of BME voluntary and community organisations in London incrementally and over a five-year period. Activities and support will be delivered in the following way:

- Years 1-2 will support organisational development to secure resources and develop more effective services and structures to tackle race inequalities
- Year 3 will develop asset-based approaches and build organisational confidence and impact; resilience and sustainability; and negotiation and advocacy skills.
- Year 4 will develop and raise the profile of organisations' key policy areas, and support networking and partnership building.
- Year 5 will build collaboration with external agencies to improve opportunities for grant making and social investment and ensure the BME voluntary sector is heard in decision-making forums.

In addition to this pre-planned programme, Voice4Change England will also deliver ongoing roadshows across London to create further opportunities for consultation and project shaping. The charity intends to work with between 70 and 100 BME community organisations as part of this project. These groups will be supporting beneficiaries experiencing multiple challenges including poverty, mental and physical health issues, isolation, and unemployment. The cumulative number of beneficiaries reached by the organisations directly engaging with this project will be in the thousands.

It is worth noting that not all Voice4Change England's members are grant recipients and that BME voluntary community groups across the country can attend a training

or receive advice without being a grantee, or a member of the charity. This project will be targeting London based BME community and voluntary organisations already in its networks in the first instance, but roadshows in the capital will be open to BME groups that do not have a pre-existing relationship with the applicant.

## Financial Information

Year end as at March 2021	2021	2022	2023
	Signed Accounts	Actual	Budget
	£	£	£
<b>Income &amp; expenditure:</b>			
Income	1,466,435	1,047,268	1,393,478
Expenditure	(992,287)	(1,013,685)	(1,278,806)
<b>Surplus/(deficit)</b>	<b>474,148</b>	<b>33,583</b>	<b>114,672</b>
<b>Reserves:</b>			
Total restricted	344,370	344,370	352,446
Total unrestricted	139,828	173,411	280,007
<b>Total reserves</b>	<b>484,198</b>	<b>517,781</b>	<b>632,453</b>
Of which: free unrestricted	131,673	165,256	271,852
Reserves policy target	170,817	170,817	170,817
Free reserves over/(under) target	(39,144)	(5,561)	101,035

Voice4Change England has set a free reserve target of £170,817 which has been calculated to include redundancy costs if the charity were to close, and three months of running costs. This has been set against a core costs calculation, rather than total expenditure, as a considerable portion of the charity's income is distributed as grants. 82% of budgeted income for the year ending March 2023 has been secured and the charity has ongoing grant distribution activities for the Home Office, Sport England, the National Lottery Community Fund and Comic Relief. It is also seeking to develop new funding relationships to increase staff capacity and will continue to focus on building free reserves to support this internal growth.

## Funding History

ID	Type	Meeting Date	Decision
14074	Stepping Stones	15/06/2017	An unsuccessful application because the social investment proposal was judged to be difficult to realise given the organisation's then financial position.
12860	Investing in Londoners	23/09/2015	£122,240 over two years towards a part-time Development Director plus associated running costs of a project to support the BME voluntary sector in London to develop policies and good practice around volunteering and asset management.
12134	Investing in Londoners	19/06/2014	£60,000 as a third year's contribution towards the full-time salary and associated running costs of a project developing models of collaborative and partnership working.
10722	Working with Londoners	07/09/2011	£108,200 over two years towards a project to develop fair and equitable collaborations between London's BME and mainstream voluntary sector.

## **The Recommendation**

This request is in alignment with the Trust's policy to fund organisations providing support to other voluntary, social enterprise and community sector organisations. The BME community organisations supported by Voice4Change England have historically faced barriers in receiving an equitable share of funding and resources, two factors which this project is actively seeking to redress. The charity is trusted by BME community organisations and, in its role as a grant distributor, has been able to generate applications from organisations which, by their own admission, would not have approached larger funders due to lack of capacity, lack of confidence, and complicated application processes. Voice4Change England has built in additional support with the application process within the design of its grant funding and spends considerable time providing feedback to unsuccessful applicants, to support development. This inclusive approach to all its activities will be further reflected in this project and it is assessed that Voice4Change England has the staffing, networks, and practical experience to deliver this holistic capacity building and strengthening programme. The charity is also keen to evaluate the programme and share learning with a range of funders.

Voice4Change underwent a significant transition in the financial year ending March 2021. Its income increased from £54,335 in the year ending March 2020 to just under £1.5 million in the year ending March 2021 and it expanded from an infrastructure support organisation to a grant provider. The charity is assessed to have responded well to such growth. It received unrestricted funding from the Indigo Trust to build an IT infrastructure for grant making and has also undergone considerable scrutiny of its financial processes from its larger funders, with no issues raised. The charity's board is small and currently operating at four, which is its minimum number. However, it is seeking to recruit two new trustees by Christmas.

The organisation's free reserve levels appear small in comparison to its overall income and expenditure in the current financial year. However, they are at a satisfactory level in relation to its core costs. Fundraising from corporates or individuals is an underdeveloped area of the charity's work and is one, which the assessor believes, could bring it resource to further boost free reserves. If capacity allows, then this is an area which should be explored further by the staff and board team. Funding is recommended:

***£399,040 over 5 years (£74,045; £77,725; £80,030; £82,400; £84,840) to cover the salary and running costs of an infrastructure project to build the capacity and organisational resilience of BME voluntary sector organisations in London. Staff costs include a contribution to three salaries (a new Project Officer, an existing Head of Development and Grants, and an existing Head of Policy) at a total cost of £257,779 over five years. Additional budget is allocated to recruitment and running costs, including rent, audit, and insurance, and to evaluation and consultancy costs.***

**ASSESSMENT CATEGORY: Bridging Divides - Connecting the Capital**

**The Orchard Project**

**Adv: Kate Halahan**

**Base: Haringey**

**Benefit: London-wide**

**Amount requested: £82,000**

**{revised request: £281,927}**

**Amount recommended: £281,900**

**Purpose of grant request:** Creating stronger and resilient communities and connecting diverse and marginalised communities to nature and neighbours, by planting and running thriving urban orchards.

**The Applicant**

The Orchard Project is a charitable company, established in 2009. It is the only charity in the UK dedicated to creating and maintaining urban community orchards, in recognition of both their social and environmental benefits. It works with local community groups in urban areas with high deprivation and limited access to nature, supporting them to design, plant, and care for orchards and to harvest their own fruit. It has helped communities to plant and maintain over 500 orchards so far. It also delivers policy and advocacy work, accredited training, and consultancy services. It was founded in London, where it continues to deliver most of its work, but omitted 'London' from its name in 2016 to reflect its widening reach and vision that everyone in UK cities is within easy reach of a thriving community orchard.

**The Application**

This is a request under the 'Making London a greener city for all' strand for five years funding to support the charity's core urban community orchard planting and training activities in London, commencing in April 2023. The request will contribute towards salaries, planting materials and other associated costs to plant at least six new community orchards each year in the most needed areas of London, totalling 30 new orchards over the course of the grant. Tailored to meet local need, all orchards will incorporate a 'Forest Garden' design (a diverse layered planting scheme of fruit and nut trees, shrubs, herbs, and wildflowers) as part of the charity's strategy to develop more resilient and effective orchards in the face of climate change. The orchards will improve biodiversity and leaf cover (providing greater shade to help cooling), reduce pollutants, and sequester more carbon. They will also reduce drought and flooding through interception (reducing rainfall speed and increasing evaporation before it hits the ground) and absorbing and storing surface water runoff.

Costs include a robust programme of community-led design and engagement and ongoing training to ensure local ownership and long-term maintenance of every orchard. It also includes costs to support 16 people a year who are unemployed or on low incomes to attend the charity's accredited Level 3 training course in designing and managing community orchards. Costs include staff time for coordination, teaching and marking, as well as costs for external tutors and accreditation fees. Set up five years ago, the course is part of the charity's long-term strategy to increase local environmental skills, knowledge and awareness and develop pathways to build

a more skilled and diverse green sector. Many students go on to become Orchard Leaders and/or Orchard Mentors, helping to deliver training in future courses and supporting groups in other orchards. Over 40% of last year's students also went on to secure further training or employment in the green sector within six months of the course.

As well as the environmental advantages, the orchards create a community resource and hub for the recognised benefits of connecting with nature, skills development, and socialising. They will help foster a greater understanding and appreciation of nature and wildlife and the need to ensure that these are protected and raise further awareness of the damaging effects of climate change on the natural environment. Also, in line with the priorities of your funding strand, the charity shows environmental consideration throughout its work, including advocating organic principles and soil protection techniques for all its orchards.

At the time of applying, the charity could only seek support under your transition funding offer for the 'Growing, greening and environmental projects' strand (maximum of £100,000 over two years). Since then, the new 'Making London a greener city for all' strand has opened, which fits well with the objectives of the proposed work. Following a discussion with your officer, the charity asked to be assessed under the new strand and has revised its request to ask for a greater contribution and for five years funding, in line with the new criteria. The revision included inflation costs (10%, reducing to 5% each year after) given changes in the economic landscape since it applied in May, and ongoing economic uncertainty. The request is about 65% of the total cost of the programme, which will help the charity leverage match-funding (applications pending for the shortfall for year one). The charity has secured funding from The Finnis Scott Foundation towards the accredited training course in year one, hence the reduced request for that year.

### **Background and detail of proposal**

The orchards will be planted in the top 30% most deprived areas in London (Index of Multiple Deprivation 2019), initiated by local requests from residents and community groups and prioritised by greatest need and potential environmental and community impact. A longlist of sites has already been identified in Hackney, Haringey, Newham, Southwark, and Tower Hamlets. At least 600 people (100 per orchard) will benefit from engaging in a range of orchard activities each year. 120 of these (20 per orchard) will receive further training in orchard care and group communication skills, including selecting five 'Orchard Leaders' in each group, to build the knowledge and confidence to maintain the community orchards in the long-term. Years three and five include funding to deliver an 'Orchard Summit' event, which provides an important opportunity to bring together at least 20 existing orchard groups to share, network, reinspire and learn new orchard related skills. This level of support and community ownership, along with quality planting design, has resulted in a high 90%+ tree survival rate, with 100% of orchards still being cared for after the first year.

The Certificate in Community Orchardering is a unique 9-month course, developed by the charity and Level 3 accredited through Crossfields Institute (equivalent to A Level), teaching a combination of theory and practical skills. Originally set up with funding from the Education and Skills Funding Agency (ESFA), the course has

proven successful and popular, running a waiting list, and branching out to Swansea and Glasgow in the last couple of years. Designed through feedback from students, the course provides one-to-one support and offers a range of flexibility and alternative assessment options, to ensure it is as accessible as possible.

### Financial Information

The Orchard Project has diverse income streams, most of which is grant income including multi-year grants from notable funders such as Esmée Fairbairn Foundation, Garfield Weston Foundation and John Ellerman Foundation. Other income is derived from corporate partnerships, major donors and earned income from training and consultancy services. The charity has a trading subsidiary called 'The Orchard Project Ventures' to deal with its trading activities for tax purposes.

Its free reserves policy is to hold the equivalent cost of legal and financial obligations plus 3-6 months operating expenditure. For the last two financial years it has also held £40,000 in a designated 'Innovation Fund' to foster innovation work, which it spent against in 2022/23. In 2021/22 it held free reserves of £257,969 (excluding designated funds), close to the top end of its target range of £157,000 - £267,000. The charity anticipates a small deficit in 2022/23 but will still hold free reserves within its policy. Overall, the organisation is in good financial health.

Year end as at 31st March	2020/21 Signed Accounts £	2021/22 Signed Accounts £	2022/23 Budget £
<b>Income &amp; expenditure:</b>			
Income	508,687	675,550	600,466
Expenditure	(426,035)	(608,587)	(715,904)
<b>Surplus/(deficit)</b>	<b>82,652</b>	<b>66,963</b>	<b>(115,438)</b>
<b>Reserves:</b>			
Total restricted	104,561	184,859	215,558
Total unrestricted	311,304	297,969	151,832
<b>Total reserves</b>	<b>415,865</b>	<b>482,828</b>	<b>367,390</b>
Of which: free unrestricted	271,304	257,969	151,832
Reserves policy target	175,000	157,000	125,000
Free reserves over/(under) target	96,304	100,969	26,832

### Funding History

ID	Type	Meeting Date	Decision
17168	COVID19 London Community Response Fund	08/07/2020	£26,820 to fund the essential and urgent costs outlined in the application to carry on providing support to Londoners.
14983	Bridging Divides	21/03/2019	Application rejected for insufficient fit with funding priorities.
13626	Stepping Stones	22/09/2016	Application rejected for lack of detail.
11493	Working with Londoners	10/01/2013	£24,950 for the employment of a project manager and associated overhead costs for a third and final year.
10513	Working with Londoners	17/03/2011	£49,900 over two years to employ a project manager three days per week, with associated costs.

## **The Recommendation**

The Orchard Project has a strong track record and its targeted, tailored and community-led approach ensures significant benefits for both the environment and communities in which it works. Although it has good links with a range of partners and community groups, the charity recognises it is not fully representative of the communities it works with and lacks racial and cultural diversity across the organisation, a particularly common issue in the environmental sector. Keen to address this, in line with its new strategy, it is implementing changes at all levels, including recruitment, training, and working with a consultant to review its beneficiary and volunteering model and develop more diverse referral pathways, including work with The Ubele Initiative. It acknowledges that it is at the start of its journey and is keen to utilise the Trust's additional support in this area via your Bridge Programme if it is awarded a grant.

The proposal meets the strand's priorities, and is a thoughtful, strategic request which will support the charity's long-term strategy. Orchard projects are sometimes delivered in schools which is not eligible under the Trust's funding criteria, and so is excluded from the recommendation below. Funding is recommended as follows:

**£281,900 over five years (£28,500; £55,800; £64,200; £60,800; £72,600) towards the cost to deliver urban community orchard planting and training activities in London. Funding does not cover delivery in schools.**

**ASSESSMENT CATEGORY: Bridging Divides – Positive Transitions**

**Music of Life**

**Amount requested: £94,300**  
**{Revised request: £254,264}**  
**Amount recommended: £254,400**

**Adv: Lorna Chung**  
**Base: Westminster**  
**Benefit: Camden, Greenwich,  
Haringey & Redbridge**

**The Applicant**

Music of Life is a national charity focused on meeting the needs of Disabled children and young people through the provision of musical activities. Since 2003, it has worked with children with complex, profound, and multiple Disabilities in areas of high deprivation and with marginalised communities. The charity's main activities include forming choirs in special needs schools, delivering a music programme for children in Deaf schools, specialist music lessons for individuals and community integration activities. This application was initially received under the Trust's temporary Transition Funding programme and funding was requested over the programme's maximum two-year timeframe. Now eligible under your recently opened 'Positive Transitions – Support and Services for Deaf and Disabled People' strand, the organisation has submitted a revised budget over five years, which is in line with the new programme's criteria and consistent with your funding policy.

**The Application**

This is the organisation's first application under Bridging Divides. Music of Life seeks funding to provide children and young people aged 7-18 across London Deaf schools (and schools with Deaf provision) access to regular musical education and performing opportunities. It will do this through its well-established Music for Deaf Children Programme, which started in Frank Barnes School in Camden in 2017. Activities include weekly term-time music making workshops across five schools with specialist provision for Deaf and Disabled children and additional individual music lessons. Funding is also sought for a programme of training to help ensure future provision of music teachers for teachers for Deaf and Disabled children. The charity works with children with complex, profound, and multiple Disabilities with special needs – Deafness is often not their only additional need. Carefully managed and specialist support is therefore needed to facilitate access to music in a meaningful way, and Music of Life's experience and expertise in the field mean it is well positioned to deliver this work. Noted barriers to Deaf and Disabled participation in music are cost and a lack of opportunity to join community and mainstream activities. Music of life seeks to address both issues and ensure participants gain from the numerous social and developmental benefits a regular engagement with music brings.

**Background and detail of proposal**

Funding is sought for Music of Life to continue to provide its music programme in four London Deaf schools, James Wolfe School in Greenwich, Blanche Neville School in Haringey, Roding School in Redbridge, and Frank Barnes School in Camden. Funding is also sought to start its music programme in Blanche Neville secondary school. Though it has delivered other projects with secondary aged

children this will be the first time the music programme is delivered with the 11-18 age group. This is an important step for creating progression routes for students, some of whom may be considering pursuing music more seriously and/or considering training as workshop leaders themselves. It is estimated that approximated 480 children will be reached over the course of the proposed grant period of five years.

The programme includes regular workshops, individual 1:1 lessons and performance opportunities. Workshops will be delivered on a weekly basis by the organisation's professional music practitioners, who specialise in teaching music to Deaf students. Activities include practising on instruments and singing/signing and will be tailored to each group, dependent on interests and abilities. In addition, children and young people that show a particular interest in music during group workshops will be given the opportunity to take part in individual one on one instrument lessons with practitioners.

Performance opportunities are also offered through the programme at assemblies, local festivals, and concerts. Some of these events are in partnership with local mainstream schools – this experience is valuable for all children and young people involved, bringing them together and fostering social inclusion and understanding. Other benefits of the music programme include increased learning skills through having to practice concentration to master music pieces and improved wellbeing and confidence gained from performing. Common feedback from teachers and parents indicates that students benefit emotionally through increased ability to manage negative emotions.

Though it is not usual practice for the Trust to fund projects that take place on school premises or during the school day, the applicant has sufficiently demonstrated to your officer that it is of the greatest benefit to participants that this work is delivered on-site within school hours. Children and young people that participate in the programme have multiple and complex needs which necessitates many participants being taxied to and from school in adapted transport. Therefore, there is often little scope for them to take part in any out-of-school-hours (and therefore out-of-school-setting) activities. Your officer has received assurances that activities are supplementary to the curriculum - additional provision that ties in with and reinforces the educational plan is chosen for an individual child or a group of children.

Funding is also sought for Music of Life to provide training to musicians, to ensure there is a future generation of music teachers that specialise in teaching Deaf and Disabled children and young people. The programme will be taught over the course of the year with 10 participants per year. Priority will be given to Deaf and Disabled musicians, and it aims to reach as many people with lived-experience as possible – though Music of Life has successfully trained hearing musicians who are fluent in BSL (British Sign Language) previously.

Though not a Deaf and Disabled people-led organisation (DDPO), Music of Life recognises the importance of its work being shaped by Deaf and Disabled people. The music in schools programme is designed and led by Ruth Montgomery, a prominent professional Deaf musician and teacher. Two of the three practitioners

that teach in schools as part of the programme are Deaf (including Ruth). Additionally, the organisation has an advisory council of experts across education, music, Disability, and technology to inform its work. This includes a former Music of Life beneficiary. The organisation has indicated it will look to increase representation of those with lived experience of Deafness, Disability, and other underrepresented characteristics within its board.

This application was initially received under the Trust's temporary Transition Funding programme and funding was requested over that programme's maximum two-year timeframe. Now eligible under your recently opened 'Positive Transitions – Support and Services for Deaf and Disabled People' strand, the organisation has submitted a revised budget over five years, which is in line with the new programme's criteria. Securing long-term funding is a priority for the organisation, to ensure stability in its provision. This application was made in support of this aim. As a well-established programme with significant benefits to participants, who in many cases would otherwise not be in receipt of meaningful musical educational, your officer deemed the level of funding requested in the revised budget to be appropriate.

### Financial Information

Music of Life's income is largely from trusts and foundations, with a smaller proportion raised from events and individual donors. Much of its 2022 deficit resulted from spending restricted funds which had been carried over from the previous year. Its reserves target is valued at six-months planned operating expenses (£30,282). Reserves held over this level are used to top-up ongoing programme costs where grant funding received is insufficient. A portion of reserves will be designated at year end 2022 to programmes which are not fully funded so far in 2023 – a relatively low proportion of income is confirmed for 2023 (£36,200) so excess reserves will safeguard against unpredictable income streams. In general, the organisation doesn't commit to projects until funding is secured. In the long-term the organisation will reconsider its unrestricted reserves target. Music of Life is seeking to increase its long-term funding to ensure stability of its provision, and this grant would contribute to success in this aim.

Year end as at 31st December	2021	2022	2023
	Signed Accounts	Forecast	Budget
	£	£	£
<b>Income &amp; expenditure:</b>			
Income	163,330	190,697	194,200
Expenditure	(172,607)	(226,010)	(180,105)
<b>Surplus/(deficit)</b>	<b>(9,277)</b>	<b>(35,313)</b>	<b>14,095</b>
<b>Reserves:</b>			
Total restricted	107,366	42,778	74,778
Total unrestricted	35,329	64,604	46,699
<b>Total reserves</b>	<b>142,695</b>	<b>107,382</b>	<b>121,477</b>
Of which: free unrestricted	34,481	63,756	45,851
Reserves policy target	30,282	30,282	30,282
Free reserves over/(under) target	4,199	33,474	15,569

## Funding History

ID	Type	Meeting Date	Decision
16638	COVID19 London Community Response Fund	08/07/2020	A grant of £33,800 to fund the essential and urgent costs outlined in the application, so that the organisation can carry on providing support to Londoners.

### The Recommendation

This project meets your funding programme criteria, supporting Deaf and Disabled children and young people to access music and develop skills. The Music in Schools Programme provides numerous benefits to participants and Music of Life's experience and expertise in the field mean it is well positioned to deliver this work. Funding is therefore recommended as follows:

**£254,400 over five years (£47,150; £49,550; £51,000; £52,600; £54,100) towards the Music for Deaf Children and teacher training programmes in London.**

**MEETING 5<sup>th</sup> December 2022**

**Ref: 19298**

**ASSESSMENT CATEGORY: Bridging Divides - London's Giving**

**Lewisham Local (previously Rushey Green Time Bank)**

**Adv: Lydia Parr**

**Amount requested: £282,122**

**{Revised request: £282,066}**

**Amount recommended: £282,076**

**Base: Lewisham**

**Benefit: Lewisham**

**The Applicant**

Lewisham Local (LL) was originally established in 2004 as a project of the Rushey Green Time Bank (RGTB), a charitable company which changed its name to LL in March 2022. LL uses an asset-based approach and activities to involve people in volunteering and sharing their skills to connect and create community cohesion. The charity has facilitated stakeholders from the voluntary, statutory, education and business sectors to collaborate and share assets such as resources, training, expertise, time, and money to help alleviate poverty and reduce social isolation for nearly 20 years.

LL is a place-based giving initiative promoting an asset-based approach that maximises participation and the long-term contribution from all communities within Lewisham. It aims to inspire local people, businesses, and organisations to give more towards the needs of Lewisham's communities, encouraging a stronger sense of 'place' for those who live, work, visit and study in the borough and to make Lewisham fairer and more inclusive. The giving initiative brings together the voluntary and public sector, local businesses, and communities to inspire and mobilise people to give towards good causes in Lewisham. LL has played an active role in in the London's Giving network and continues to engage and learn from other schemes and contribute its experiences.

In 2019 via RGTB, LL was awarded a contract from the local authority to provide voluntary sector infrastructure support across Lewisham. This was due to its wider civil society leadership role, borough-wide projects, and much lauded Covid-19 response work under the banner of Lewisham Local, and for which it further built its name and reputation.

**The Application**

LL wants to increase organisational capacity and brand visibility to sustain and develop its giving programmes to strengthen relationships with local businesses, individuals, corporate and strategic partners, and local funders leading to increased local giving. This bid would increase LL's capacity as a grant maker to distribute funds in a more equitable way by building an inclusive model of Participatory Grant Making (PGM), providing opportunities for local people with lived experience to engage in the funding process and make decisions around the distribution of funds in the borough.

The applicant originally applied for funding towards an Asset Development Lead role. However, as acknowledged in the application, developing a diverse asset portfolio of

the size required to support and sustain LL in the long-term will take more than three years, creating an ongoing fundraising need beyond the life of this grant. Through discussion with LL, a revised budget and job description for the Local Business Coordinator has been submitted that is more in keeping with the aims of the Strategic Development Fund. Your funding will act as a contribution to the overall strategic development of local giving in Lewisham.

It is proposed to employ a full time Local Business Coordinator to sustain and grow its local giving projects, particularly the LL Card. Having a full-time skilled worker in this role will enable LL to build on the last three years of work on giving projects and enhance its capacity and opportunities to distribute grants, grown from relationships that are nurtured and sustained over time by the coordinator.

It is also proposed to employ a Charities & Grants Coordinator to develop strong and effective relationships with local charities and groups to contribute towards giving projects: LL Card, Community Toilets, Refill Lewisham, Good Food Lewisham, Lewisham Community Lottery, and skills sharing exchanges. The role will be responsible for coordinating the development of PGM to support LL's small grants programmes by engaging residents and groups with lived experience, developing training, and supporting residents in the grant assessment process.

### **Background and detail of proposal**

Historically you have supported Lewisham Local via RGTB, as part of the London's Giving initiative and Bridging Divides. Projects have included a Volunteering Programme, a discount card encouraging local businesses to support the community and local people to shop within the borough, and Lewisham Community Toilets where local businesses allow free access to toilet facilities for members of the public (following the closures of public toilets in Lewisham). Refill Lewisham is a network of local businesses offering free water refills to the public to help reduce single-use plastic waste. Training & Skills-sharing workshops where local businesses offer short practical training to local charities and other businesses as a way of giving to the community. In partnership with the Young Mayor Project, LL has created the 'Bank of Things' to provide everyday necessities to any young person facing hardship in Lewisham to address the issue of poverty and lack of resources for young people.

During the pandemic LL set up a Covid-19 Response Hub, from late March 2020 to October 2021 most of the staff were redeployed into supporting the Hub and developing emerging projects and partnerships to meet the needs of the wider community at this time. This included setting up cross organisation IT systems to collect and share data, repurposing the website as a tool to publish funding and resource information in real time, and promoting and recruiting volunteers. In total 6,283 adults and 3,071 children were helped, there were 14,058 individual referrals, 11,187 food packages were delivered, 2,470 volunteers registered, and 712 volunteers matched into Hub roles.

Funding is requested to build on the significant work of LL as a highly effective voluntary sector infrastructure body within Lewisham and to support LL in building a connected borough that gives, shares, and works together to build happier, healthier communities.

## Financial Information

The organisation is well managed and in a good financial position. From April 2022 LL no longer received core funding from the council instead receiving more significant funding for projects resulting in staff numbers increasing. Expenditure has increased significantly in 2022/23 due to council contracts for onward grant making to groups in the borough for Warm Centres and Emergency Food. LL aims to hold three - six months of annual expenditure in free reserves. Free reserves are expected to remain in line with the target range with only a small shortfall forecast in 2023. LL has two other active grants as shown in the Funding History below. No costs are duplicated between these grants and the cumulative total of all grants will not exceed 50% of its total income in any one year, as per CBT's policy.

Year end as at 31 March	2021 Signed Accounts £	2022 Draft Accounts £	2023 Budget £
<b>Income &amp; expenditure:</b>			
Income	757,730	774,845	904,425
Expenditure	(613,631)	(589,233)	(981,812)
<b>Surplus/(deficit)</b>	<b>144,099</b>	<b>185,612</b>	<b>(77,387)</b>
<b>Reserves:</b>			
Total restricted	75,159	172,189	155,002
Total unrestricted	205,706	294,288	234,088
<b>Total reserves</b>	<b>280,865</b>	<b>466,477</b>	<b>389,090</b>
Of which: free unrestricted	185,187	273,769	213,569
Reserves policy target	153,408	147,308	245,453
Free reserves over/(under) target	31,779	126,461	(31,884)

## Funding History

ID	Type	Meeting Date	Decision
17553	COVID19 London Community Response Fund (Wave 3)	17/09/2020	£35,464 towards the costs for the project co-ordinating emergency food distribution in Lewisham.
16817	COVID19 London Community Response Fund	08/07/2020	£73,352 to fund essential and urgent costs, so the organisation can carry on providing support to Londoners.
16198	COVID19 Small Charity Emergency Support Funding	13/05/2020	A one-off, unrestricted grant of £15,000, equivalent to one regular quarterly payment for the organisation's current grant.
15685	Bridging Divides	26/03/2020	£323,500 over 5 years towards a f/t Director of LL plus associated running costs for the development and consolidation of LL.
14004	Investing in Londoners	27/07/2017	£113,000 over three years for the salary of a Co-ordinator and Assistant and associated direct costs of the Wild Cat Wilderness project.
14157	Strategic Initiatives	27/07/2017	£72,340 over two years received by RGTB on behalf of the LL Collaborative, as part of the London's Giving initiative.

## The Recommendation

LL's track record demonstrates its capability to successfully develop placed-based giving within Lewisham. Your funding would enable LL to accelerate the strategic development of its scheme, and test different models of participatory giving and

engagement. Given its established standing and connections within the borough, LL is best placed to deliver this work truly embedding local people with lived experience within the process. Funding is recommended as follows:

**£282,076 over three years (£92,076; £93,872; £96,128) to contribute to the Local Business Coordinator and Charities & Grants Coordinator salaries and associated project costs to accelerate local giving in Lewisham.**

## **CITY BRIDGE TRUST – Delegated Authority (Requests up to £250k)**

### **ASSESSMENT CATEGORY: Bridging Divides - Connecting the Capital**

**Wandsworth Care Alliance**

**Ref: 19665**

**Amount requested: £127,895**

**Adv: Caspar Cech-Lucas**

**Base: Wandsworth**

**Amount recommended: £127,900**

**Benefit: Wandsworth**

**Purpose of grant request:** To develop a volunteer brokerage project for Wandsworth

#### **The Applicant**

Wandsworth Care Alliance (WCA) is a charitable company established in 1991 to provide information and advice as an independent voluntary sector voice by monitoring, reviewing, and contributing to the improvement of health and social care services. The applicant now offers services traditionally associated with a Council for Voluntary Services (CVS), including development support, training, information, networking, and providing a voice for the voluntary and community sector on a borough wide scale. WCA delivers the provision of Healthwatch Services for the borough, the Voluntary sector Coordination service, and a project providing a platform for the voice of mental health service users.

#### **Background and detail of proposal**

The application is specifically to develop a volunteer brokerage project for Wandsworth, an initiative that was successfully piloted in 2020. The budget includes a part-time salary for a project worker, project and management costs, and overheads. Through this grant the applicant aims to proactively recruit 600 residents as volunteers, maintain and promote an effective online matching service linking volunteers with local organisations, and deliver an effective programme of networking and capacity building support to volunteer-using organisations to enhance their skills and strengthen their volunteer offer. Through this activity, 50 organisations will be matched with volunteers drawn from the local community, providing those organisations with an additional, sustainable resource which embeds them more securely in the communities they serve. In addition, 100 organisations will receive advice, guidance, and training in one-to-one settings or via the Volunteer Involving Organisations Network to strengthen their skills in recruiting and managing volunteers. This project will develop the volunteer brokerage programme further and give volunteering a prominence and profile it does not currently have in Wandsworth.

Using an accessible online database, the applicant will link residents with local volunteering opportunities. Alongside the matching service, WCA will promote volunteering; provide volunteering advice for residents to help them find the right volunteering role for them and support the application and recruitment process. Working with a range of voluntary and public sector organisations, WCA will develop new, flexible forms of volunteering, and support volunteer involving third sector groups through a network and programme of developmental support. The brokerage project will allow promotion of a central contact point for organisations, volunteers and volunteering opportunities within the borough.

The pilot was a response to more than three thousand borough residents volunteering during the pandemic. Research carried out for WCA this year showed that, post pandemic, there has been a greater need for volunteers but more difficulty recruiting them. The pandemic has shown Wandsworth residents the importance of being part of their community, with the brokerage allowing individuals to understand and access the local volunteering opportunities available to them. As part of the WCA Voluntary Sector Coordination Service, the brokerage will benefit from the guidance of a reference group made up of elected and co-opted representatives from local groups including groups working with excluded and disadvantaged communities.

### **Financial Information**

WCA holds multiple contracts that contribute to the organisation's income on a consistent basis. The applicant has good relationships with the organisations who tender these contracts, and while some are currently up for re-tendering, WCA are confident that they can be secured again. The organisation has no history of overspending in the last five financial years and has always returned a surplus in that time. The organisation has a robust reserves policy, with an aim to hold between £174k and £379k in 2022/23, representing three to just over six months of operating costs. The table below shows unrestricted reserves increasing each year and within the target range, which is reasonable.

### **Recommendation**

**£127,900 over three years (£40,500; £42,600; £44,800) towards the costs associated with developing a volunteer brokerage project for Wandsworth**

## Appendix 4: Grant Rejections for approval Grants Recommended for Rejection

Request Date	Ref	Organisation	Purpose	Reason for Recommendation for Rejection	Amount Requested	Funding Manager	Area
<b><u>Bridging Divides</u></b>							
<b><u>Advice and Support</u></b>							
March 2022	19334	The Peoples Christian Fellowship	To develop a provision that will support existing and new foodbank users in tackling food poverty and issues related to hardship and crisis.	The application as a whole is a poor fit with your current funding priorities, in particular the project's focus on employability support which is not targeted at a beneficiary group defined by your funding priorities.	£398,815	Matthew Robinson	Haringey
<i>Total Advice and Support (1 item)</i>					£398,815		
<b><u>Positive Transitions</u></b>							
June 2022	19625	Revitalise	To support disabled Londoners to benefit from accessible wellbeing experiences promoting autonomy, independence and social interaction to reduce loneliness and improve health and wellbeing, longterm.	The proposed programme activities are not eligible under the Trust's current funding criteria and therefore cannot be supported under your funding policy.	£270,000	Lorna Chung	Islington
<i>Total Positive Transitions (1 item)</i>					£270,000		

Request Date	Ref	Organisation	Purpose	Reason for Recommendation for Rejection	Amount Requested	Funding Manager	Area
<b><u>Transition Funding - Bridging Divides</u></b>							
<b><u>Connecting the Capital</u></b>							
March 2022	19310	Trees4Grenfell CIC	To complete feasibility of garden extension, develop team of building professionals, improve functional aspects of organisation to effectively manage all major stakeholder requests and expectations.	An application for a very large project costing many times the applicant organisation's annual income, and with multiple elements falling outside the scope of City Bridge Trust criteria. The organisation's 2021 accounts are six months overdue with Companies House, which has issued a First Gazette notice for compulsory strike-off, currently suspended due to an objection.	£450,000	Lily Brandhorst	Kensington & Chelsea
<i>Total Connecting the Capital (1 item)</i>					£450,000		
<b>Grand Totals (3 items)</b>					<b>£1,118,815</b>		

## Appendix 5: Grant rejections

### Requests rejected under delegated authority (£250,000 or less)

Ref	Organisation	Type	Date Declined	Requested Amount	Funding Manager	Declination Comments
19800	Bengal Centre UK	Eco Audits	18/10/2022	N/A	Lydia Parr	The organisation does not own or lease any property therefore is ineligible for an eco-audit.
19314	Birds Eye View	Transition Funding - Bridging Divides	13/10/2022	£99,060	Julia Mirkin	The applicant is not a disabilities organisation and there is no proposal to work with a Deaf and Disabled People's Organisation to deliver this work. No track-record is detailed in support of this proposal. Active participation in arts activity, which is one of your priorities for funding awarded in support of Deaf and Disabled people does not feature in this proposal. It is not, therefore, a close fit to your criteria.
19801	Bishopsgate Institute	Eco Audits	05/12/2022	N/A	Lydia Parr	Based on the financial information provided by the applicant your officer has not been assured that the organisation's financial position is sufficiently robust.
19490	CARIS Camden Families	Transition Funding - Bridging Divides	18/10/2022	£60,000	Abi Sommers	The application proposes to deliver day trips and wellbeing activities for children rather than trauma-informed therapeutic interventions/services. As such this does not meet your criteria for improving the accessibility and range of mental health support and services for people who are at risk of homelessness or vulnerably housed. The application also includes an element of welfare support for the children's parents which is not eligible under your advice and support criteria as the organisation does not hold a recognised management qualification and/or advice quality standard.

<b>Ref</b>	<b>Organisation</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Date Declined</b>	<b>Requested Amount</b>	<b>Funding Manager</b>	<b>Declination Comments</b>
19664	CherryTree Foundation	Bridging Divides	08/11/2022	£86,600	Lydia Parr	The application proposes to deliver activities and costs associated with an employability programme and not advice and support activities. As such this does not meet the criteria of your policy when funding advice and support services for disadvantaged individuals.
19300	Community Barnet	London's Giving	05/12/2022	£199,914	Jenny Field	More work needs to be done on partnership arrangements so the request is judged to be unsuitable for this funding programme.
19478	Crohn's and Colitis Relief	Transition Funding - Bridging Divides	13/10/2022	£47,000	Khadra Aden	The organisation has not evidenced sufficient qualification nor track record in delivering the proposed mental health support to young people.
19537	Fondation Jocelyne Ngassa	Small Grants - Bridging Divides	05/12/2022	£9,900	Anneka Singh	This application cannot be recommended for funding as the project focuses on children as well as older people and as such, does not meet your criteria. Additionally, the application does not sufficiently demonstrate that project benefit is restricted to London.
19471	Give It Forward Today (GIFT)	Bridging Divides	13/10/2022	£90,000	Caspar Cech-Lucas	Overall, this is not a strong application. The proposal seeks core funding but much of the charity's work is not eligible under your programme criteria.
19461	Index on Censorship	Bridging Divides	18/10/2022	£60,200	Jack Joslin	The proposed work is UK-wide rather than London specific and therefore falls outside scope of your grant priorities.

<b>Ref</b>	<b>Organisation</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Date Declined</b>	<b>Requested Amount</b>	<b>Funding Manager</b>	<b>Declination Comments</b>
19657	Isleworth Explorers Club	Bridging Divides	05/12/2022	£125,000	Anneka Singh	This application cannot be recommended as a clear case for funding cannot be made. Project outcomes are insufficiently linked to the post applied for, with some areas wider than your priorities.
19494	Islington Boat Club	Transition Funding - Bridging Divides	05/12/2022	£107,720	Matthew Robinson	In submitting this application eight months following the end of five-year award from the Trust in September 2021, the organisation has not observed the applicable fallow period necessitated by your current reapplication funding guidelines.
19603	It's Not Your Birthday But CIC	Transition Funding - Bridging Divides	05/12/2022	£52,467	Caspar Cech-Lucas	The project applied for does not fit within the Trusts priorities. The applicant has also held negative reserves for the last two financial years
19463	KH Theatre Limited	Bridging Divides	13/10/2022	£100,000	Caspar Cech-Lucas	The application is for a newly built space, which is outside the criteria of your capital funding programme relating to access work.
19639	MAC-UK	Bridging Divides	15/11/2022	£99,422	Hannan Ali	The organisation has sufficient free reserves to deliver this project, and your officer was not able to ascertain the impact of the project to strengthen voice and leadership.
19401	Merton Somali Community (MESCO)	Bridging Divides	18/10/2022	£27,000	Matthew Robinson	The organisation's latest accounts filed show zero income and expenditure; it is therefore currently ineligible for any level of funding under current eligibility rules.
19529	Mission Remission	Transition Funding - Bridging Divides	13/10/2022	£38,300	Abi Sommers	The application proposes to deliver activities on behalf of those disadvantaged by illness rather than marginalised by systemic issues. As such, it does not fit your current priorities.

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19470	National Survivor User Network	Bridging Divides	05/12/2022	£150,000	Anneka Singh	This application cannot be recommended for funding as it does not align with your current priorities. The majority of costs in the submitted budget are insufficiently attributable to project outcomes, resulting in disproportionately high unit costs.
19512	National Theatre	Bridging Divides	05/12/2022	£104,812	Julia Mirkin	This application is not a close fit to your funding criteria, which aims to remove barriers faced by Deaf and Disabled people to participate in society and live independently. The proposed project culminates in a performance scheduled for August 2023 and therefore offers limited scope for Deaf and Disabled participants to really engage as active and equal partners to influence artistic decisions. The stated outcomes for the project, which are to build feelings of wellbeing, confidence and agency; to connect people and develop skills amongst Deaf and Disabled people are broader than your specific priorities for this funding programme.
19473	Pragmatic Healthcare Services CIC	Transition Funding - Bridging Divides	18/10/2022	£45,000	Kate Halahan	From the information provided by the applicant, the organisation has a limited financial history and demonstrable track record in the work it does, and works with a small number of beneficiaries.

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19498	SAIL - Summer Adventures for Inner Londoners	Transition Funding - Bridging Divides	15/11/2022	£125,000	Khadra Aden	This application is recommended for rejection as it does not align with your funding criteria. The proposed project, which includes a residential trip, aims to improve the mental health and wellbeing of young people, but the organisation does not demonstrate a track record or the qualifications needed to deliver this type of work.
19434	SJOG (St John of God hospitaller Services)	Transition Funding - Bridging Divides	05/12/2022	£89,985	Caspar Cech-Lucas	The proposed work does not fall within the priorities of your grant criteria.
19370	Social Care Institute for Excellence	Bridging Divides	05/12/2022	£174,000	Kelvin Ha	The proposed work is at a national level with no specific London focus, and as such falls outside your funding parameters.
19767	The Tavistock Institute of Human Relations	Eco Audits	05/12/2022	N/A	Lydia Parr	The applicant has sufficient reserves that self-funding is possible.
19301	Thames Reach Charity	London's Giving	05/12/2022	£237,748	Jenny Field	The applicant is not a place-based giving scheme and the request is to enable it to test new fundraising approaches for its own organisation. It therefore does not meet the criteria of the Strategic Development Fund
19604	theMovement	Transition Funding - Bridging Divides	08/11/2022	£34,498	Lydia Parr	The application proposes to deliver wellbeing activities which are only partially directed at those experiencing or at risk of homelessness. As such this does not meet the criteria of your policy when funding services which improve the accessibility and range of mental health support and services for those experiencing or at risk of homelessness or are vulnerably housed.

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19699	Young Elite Management	Small Grants - Bridging Divides	05/12/2022	£10,000	Gerard Darby	The application is ineligible for the small grants programme as there is no focus on disabled young people and no focus on older people. There are also concerns over the capacity of the community interest company.
<b>Grand Totals (27 items)</b>				£2,173,626		

## Appendix 6: Grant variations

### 1. Centre 404 (grant ref 14145)

On 23/11/2017 a grant of £3,200.00 was awarded to Centre 404 for the purpose of an eco-audit. Contact has been lost with the organisation, therefore a revocation of the remainder is recommended.

#### **Recommendation**

**That a sum of £1,000 out of the grant of £3,200 to Centre 404 be revoked.**

### 2. Lewisham Citizens Advice Bureau Service (grant ref 14534)

On 02/05/2018 a grant of £3,400 was awarded to Lewisham Citizens Advice Bureau Service for the purpose of an eco-audit. Contact has been lost with the organisation, therefore a revocation of the remainder is recommended.

#### **Recommendation**

**That a sum of £1,200 out of the grant of £3,400 to Lewisham Citizens Advice Bureau Service be revoked.**

### 3. Best Beginnings (grant ref 14572)

On 14/11/2018 a grant of £2,600 was awarded to Best Beginnings for the purpose of an eco-audit. Contact has been lost with the organisation, therefore a revocation of the remainder is recommended.

#### **Recommendation**

**That a sum of £1,400 out of the grant of £2,600 to Best Beginnings be revoked.**

### 4. Free Representation Unit (grant ref 14919)

On 14/11/2018 a grant of £1,000.00 was awarded to Free Representation Unit for the purpose of an eco-audit. The organisation has since moved premises and could not continue with the audit, therefore a revocation of the remainder is recommended.

#### **Recommendation**

**That a sum of £400.00 out of the grant of £1,000.00 to Free Representation Unit be revoked.**

### 5. The Musical Museum (grant ref 15193)

On 26/09/2019 a grant of £2,600.00 was awarded to The Musical Museum for the purpose of an eco-audit. Due to staff changes the organisation is no longer able to continue with the audit therefore a revocation of the remainder is recommended.

#### **Recommendation**

**That a sum of £800 out of the grant of £2,600.00 to The Musical Museum be revoked.**

6. New London Performing Arts Centre (grant ref 15267)

On 26/09/2019 a grant of £2,400.00 was awarded to New London Performing Arts Centre for the purpose of an eco-audit. Contact has been lost with the organisation, therefore a revocation of the remainder is recommended.

**Recommendation**

**That a sum of £600 out of the grant of £2,400.00 to New London Performing Arts Centre be revoked.**

7. Small Charities Coalition (grant ref 19082)

On 09/03/2022 a grant of £25,000 was awarded to Small Charities Coalition to support the organisation's orderly wind down and allow for a transfer of knowledge to the wider sector. CBT's funding offer was made at a time when no other grant support seemed likely, and staff were going to be put on immediate notice. After the offer, an award previously sought from Garfield Weston was approved, and SCC did not need CBT's support. SCC has now closed, and this grant cannot be paid.

**Recommendation**

**That a sum of £25,000 out of the grant of £25,000 to Small Charities Coalition be revoked.**

8. The Brandon Centre (grant ref 13228)

On 14/07/2016 a grant of £142,500.00 was awarded to The Brandon Centre towards a part time (4.5 days per week) Centre Manager. This post was vacant for a 3 month period of the grants therefore £11,000 was not required.

**Recommendation**

**That a sum of £11,000 out of the grant of £142,500.00 to The Brandon Centre be revoked.**

9. St Georges Church (grant ref 14704)

On 25/07/2019 a grant of £38,950.00 was awarded to St George's Church as a Capital Grant. The purpose of the grant was to upgrade the entrances to the Community Centre and to improve the accessible toilet facilities, as recommended by an access audit report. St George's Community Centre is a well-used building in Southall which is managed by the Church. The centre was built in 1910 and has adapted to the changing needs of the area as it has grown from a rural village to a densely-populated urban suburb. The centre is ideally placed for local people, situated on a side road a short distance from the bustling Uxbridge Road, which is full of shops and serviced by several bus routes.

The capital grant has enabled the charity to improve the access at the entrance of the building, while also improving the side entrance access for the Contact a Family beneficiaries and staff. Improved accessible toilets were also introduced, which were outlined in the access audit, to ensure the building complies with building regulations. The project was managed by a local surveyor with oversight provided by the Church Vicar.

The charity was awarded £38,950 however upon receiving the invoices, it was apparent that the organisation experienced an underspend of £15,379 due to the capital works costing less than anticipated.

**Recommendation**

**That a sum of £15,379 out of the grant of £38,950.00 to St George's Church be revoked.**

**Appendix 7: Funds approved or declined under delegated authority or under urgency (8<sup>th</sup> September 2022 to 17<sup>th</sup> November)**

**Requests approved under delegated authority (£250,000 or less)**

<b>Ref</b>	<b>Organisation</b>	<b>DA Approval Date</b>	<b>Grant Recommendation</b>	<b>Funding Manager</b>	<b>Recommended Amount</b>
19227	Age UK Lewisham & Southwark	16/11/2022	£172,280 over four years (£42,700; £42,060; £43,180; £44,340) towards the costs of a specialist full-time Advisor.	Khadra Aden	£172,280
19460	Age UK Waltham Forest	16/11/2022	£159,000 over three years (£52,000; £52,500; £54,500) towards the salary and on-costs of the full-time Information and Advice Service Manager, volunteer costs, and a contribution to overheads. Draw down of funds is conditional on the information and advice service achieving the Advice Quality Standard.	Matthew Robinson	£159,000
19313	Age UK Camden (AUC)	13/10/2022	£93,200 over two years (£46,100, £47,100) towards salary costs of a Good Neighbours Scheme Manager to run a befriending service for older people in Camden.	Anneka Singh	£93,200
19467	Age UK Hillingdon, Harrow and Brent	17/10/2022	£72,500 over a further two and final years (£35,500, £37,000) to fund a 0.8 FTE Dementia Activities Worker to provide older people with dementia and their carers with person-centred CST-based support and build relationships with local dementia services, as well as project and management costs.	Abi Sommers	£72,500
19403	Ascension Community Trust	16/11/2022	£148,000 over 3 years (£49,000, £49,300, £49,700) towards the costs of providing creative and wellbeing focussed activities for people with learning disabilities or mental health challenges, and longer-term supported volunteer placements.	Catherine Hobbs	£148,000

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19440	Association of Chairs	15/11/2022	£172,000 over three years (£53,000; £58,000; £61,000) towards the share of the organisation's costs of supporting London Chairs and Vice Chairs, including proportionate contributions to the salaries of the Chief Executive, Head of Operations, and Events and Projects Officer (not exceeding 1.0 FTE across the three posts) events and marketing costs, plus a contribution to overheads.	Matthew Robinson	£172,000
19765	Association of Charitable Foundations (ACF)	02/11/2022	£2,500 over 12 months to support the development of "Impact Investing in the Main Endowment", a learning programme for charitable foundations.	Tim Wilson	£2,500
19079	BANG Edutainment Ltd	12/09/2022	£111,720 over two further and final years (£53,720, £58,000) for two part-time therapist (2 x 0.5 FTE) and associated project costs.	Clara Espinosa	£111,720
19505	Bengali Workers Association	16/11/2022	£189,200 over five years (£37,660; £35,160; £36,920; £38,760; £40,700) towards BWA's Older People's Project, including safeguarding training costs, a 15 hours p/w Project Co-ordinator, a 15 hours p/w Project Officer and related programme costs. Release of funds conditional upon satisfactory annual review of reserves levels.	Anneka Singh	£189,200
19661	The Bike Project	17/11/2022	£71,200 over two further and final years (£36,592, £34,608) towards the London Operations Manager's salary alongside costs to undertake a recycling feasibility study in the first year.	Catherine Hobbs	£71,200

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19339	Cambridge House and Talbot	17/10/2022	£100,000 over two years (£49,390; £50,610) for the Crisis Navigator role and associated NI and pension costs, travel, subscriptions, and a contribution to core. The year two instalment has been increased in recognition of inflation.	Julia Mirkin	£100,000
19315	Camden Community Law Centre	08/11/2022	£98,000 over two further and final years (£48,953, £49,047) to meet the salary and on-costs of a Welfare Rights Representation caseworker.	Aasha Farah	£98,000
19390	Change for Good Community Chaplaincy Limited	11/11/2022	£88,000 over three years (£28,500; 29,500; £30,000) towards the salary, on-costs, and clinical supervision costs of a Project Worker, to continue practical support and advice for prisoners and ex-offenders released and/or residing in London.	Matthew Robinson	£88,000
19458	Chinese Community Centre	16/11/2022	£60,000 over two years (£30,000 x 2) towards the salary costs of a Health and Wellbeing Project Co-ordinator and a Chef to continue to deliver a range of community support, services, and activities to improve the quality of life of older people from the Chinese Community.	Hannan Ali	£60,000
19501	Choices Islington	16/11/2022	£149,800 over 3 years (£46,572, £49,908, £53,320) towards the costs of providing a one-to-one counselling service for women prisoners and ex-prisoners specifically for issues of pregnancy, pregnancy loss, child loss or child separation.	Catherine Hobbs	£149,800
19276	Citizens Advice Bureaux Service Camden	24/10/2022	£114,100 over two further and final years (£56,350; £57,750) for 1 FTE Universal Credit Advice Worker and related project and management costs.	Anneka Singh	£114,100

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19431	Clean Break	24/10/2022	£100,000 over two further and final years (£50,000 x2) towards the salary costs of the Head of Participation	Hannan Ali	£100,000
19345	Community Focus Inclusive Arts	10/10/2022	£99,400 over two years (£49,800, £49,600) towards the running costs of a multidisciplinary art-based programme engaging young disabled people	Catherine Hobbs	£99,400
19337	Consortium LGBT	24/10/2022	£226,900 over three years (£75,130; £75,360; £76,410) for 1 FTE London Engagement Officer, member engagement costs, networking and training event costs, accessibility costs and related project overheads. Release of grant instalments in years 2 and 3 are conditional on receipt of satisfactory financial forecasts from the organisation.	Anneka Singh	£226,900
19546	CPotential Trust	21/10/2022	£2,400 (6 days) to provide an eco-audit.	Lydia Parr	£2,400
19282	Cripplegate Foundation	16/11/2022	£239,000 over three years (£65,000; £106,000; £68,000) towards the costs of delivering participatory grant-making, excluding onward grant-making funds, and towards the costs of researching and developing a resident academy.	Matthew Robinson	£239,000
19412	Croydon Voluntary Association for the Blind (Aka Croydon Vision)	16/11/2022	£101,100 over two years (£53,200; £47,900) towards the organisation's core programmes to reach and support the Lost 500 people with sight loss in Croydon.	Clara Espinosa	£101,100
19344	Drake Music	16/11/2022	£108,000 over three years (£36,000; £36,000; £36,000) towards DMLabs and the associated running costs.	Lorna Chung	£108,000

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19405	East African Association	10/10/2022	£27,800 over three years (£9,200; £9,300; £9,300) for sports and fitness activities for older disadvantaged people in the South London Somali community, covering coaching costs, venue hire and related project overheads.	Anneka Singh	£27,800
19541	Ethiopian Community in Britain (ECB)	10/10/2022	£33,440 over three years (£11,380; £11,030; £11,030) for an Older Persons project, covering safeguarding training in year 1, a 6 hours p/w Co-ordinator, sessional exercise instructor and related project costs.	Anneka Singh	£33,440
19424	Federation of Iraqi Refugees	10/11/2022	£59,500 over three years (£19,000, £19,500, £21,000) for a 0.4 FTE Development Worker to provide information and guidance to Iraqi refugees and asylum seekers in London, as well as associated project and management costs.	Abi Sommers	£59,500
19688	Friends Provident Foundation	08/09/2022	£15,000 over three years (3 x £5,000) towards the production of the Foundations Practice Rating, subject to a satisfactory memorandum of understanding between Bridge House Estates and the Friends Provident Foundation.	Hannan Ali	£15,000
19228	Fulham Good Neighbours	14/11/2022	£100,000 over two years (2 x £50,000) towards 1.0 FTE Director's salary, pension and NI plus on costs.	Khadra Aden	£100,000
19346	Generation Exchange	10/10/2022	£38,600 total over two years £17,200 and £21,400 towards the running costs of the intergenerational IT Exchange project for older people. The second year payment is to be released on the condition that it represents no more than of 50% of the charity's income in that grant year.	Catherine Hobbs	£38,600

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19292	Groundwork London	16/11/2022	£181,000 over three years (3 x £60,500) as seed-funding to establish, develop, and deliver 'Waltham Forest Giving', a place based giving scheme.	Hannan Ali	£181,000
19674	Half Moon Young People's Theatre Ltd	03/10/2022	£3,000 (7.5 days) to provide an eco-audit.	Lydia Parr	£3,000
19730	Headway East London	21/10/2022	£2,800 (7 days) to provide an eco-audit.	Lydia Parr	£2,800
19259	Hope for the Young	28/10/2022	£188,200 over 5 years (£20,800; £40,000; £41,200; £42,500; £43,700) to contribute towards the salary costs of a full-time Programme Co-ordinator and other associated costs to deliver the Mentoring Programme in London for young people aged 16-25.	Kate Halahan	£188,200
19707	Institute for Voluntary Action Research	12/09/2022	£5,000 towards the costs of the Open and Trusting Grant-making initiative	Clara Espinosa	£5,000
19274	Kazzum	11/10/2022	£71,100 over two years (£35,000; £36,100) towards a full time Programme Co-ordinator post (16 hpw) and other associated costs to deliver trauma informed creative sessions with children and young people across London.	Kate Halahan	£71,100
19329	Leap Confronting Conflict	13/10/2022	£98,000 over two years (£50,000; £48,000) towards the core costs of the organisation, limited to supporting services delivered for children and young people in London.	Matthew Robinson	£98,000
19675	The Leaside Trust	24/10/2022	£4,955 to commission an independent access audit and design appraisal of the Leaside Trust site and buildings as existing and proposed as part of site improvement plans.	Matthew Robinson	£4,955

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19229	Lewisham Irish Community Centre	17/11/2022	£150,000 (£40,000; £35,000; £30,000; £25,000; £20,000) over five years towards salary costs of a Senior Advice Worker to support, supervise and lead the advice team delivering services to the Irish Community and Gypsy, Roma, Traveller Communities in the London Borough of Lewisham.	Abi Sommers	£150,000
19450	Link UP London C.I.C.	05/12/2022	£49,000 over twelve months for the salary of a part-time Corporate Partnerships Manager, in addition to contributions to Skilled Volunteer Officer and Comms Officer roles, and a contribution to overheads.	Matthew Robinson	£49,000
19499	MahaDevi Yoga Centre	17/10/2022	£42,850 over 3 years (£14,000, £14,280, £14,570) contributing towards salaries to deliver therapeutic yoga work with children and young people with additional needs and disabilities.	Veronica Pearce	£42,850
19349	My Life My Say	13/10/2022	£100,000 over two years (2 x £50,000) for core costs for My Life My Say's work amplifying the voices of underrepresented young people in London.	Abi Sommers	£100,000
19205	The New Cross Gate Trust	17/11/2022	£175,600 over five years (£33,600, £34,652, £35,200, £35,800, £36,348) towards the delivery of ESOL classes and associated running costs.	Catherine Hobbs	£175,600
19627	Notre Dame Refugee Centre	15/11/2022	£195,630 over five years (£43,900; £40,900; £38,850; £36,910; £35,070) towards Notre Dame Refugee Centre's core costs and safeguarding training in Year 1.	Anneka Singh	£195,630
19341	NW7HUB	15/09/2022	£22,070 over three years (£7,000; £7,350; £7,720) towards Arts Against Hunger project costs.	Lorna Chung	£22,070
19547	The Phoenix Garden	03/10/2022	£2,200 (5.5 days) to provide an eco-audit.	Lydia Parr	£2,200

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19365	Public Interest Law Centre	15/11/2022	£147,700 over three years (£47,400; £49,200; £51,100) towards European Migrants Legal Hub activities, including the Homeless Rights Advisor salary (1FTE) and associated costs.	Lorna Chung	£147,700
19382	RCCT (Romanian Culture and Charity Together)	17/10/2022	£75,000 over three years (£25,000 x 3) to support the running costs of the organisation, which includes the food bank and the promotion of access to essential services.	Hannan Ali	£75,000
19350	RoadPeace	14/11/2022	£92,400 over two years (£46,370; £46,030) towards the costs of strengthening road crash victims' voice in influencing policymaking and practice on reducing road danger, increasing active travel and progressing to Vision Zero in London.	Clara Espinosa	£92,400
19379	Royal Society for Blind Children	16/11/2022	£161,860 over two years (£78,940; £82,920) towards a programme to deliver innovative emotional and practical support services that empower blind children and young people and their families in London to overcome barriers and live independently.	Gerard Darby	£161,860
19402	Saracens Sport Foundation	16/11/2022	£192,500 over five years (£35,700, £36,900, £38,500, £39,900, £41,500) towards the costs of the Junior DisABILITY Sports Hub, providing sports activities for 8–13-year-olds with learning disabilities.	Catherine Hobbs	£192,500
19806	The Selby Trust	14/11/2022	£2,400 (6 days) to provide an eco-audit.	Lydia Parr	£2,400

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19134	Sophie Hayes Foundation	05/12/2022	£175,800 over five years (£34,462; £34,807; £35,156; £35,509; £35,866) towards the salary and on-costs of one London Programme Co-ordinator (0.8 FTE) and a further London Programme Co-ordinator (0.2 FTE), with a contribution to overheads	Lily Brandhorst	£175,800
19423	Southbank Centre	17/10/2022	£100,000 over two years (£50,000, £50,000) towards project costs for the Southbank Centre's Arts and Wellbeing work with Londoners aged 65+.	Abi Sommers	£100,000
19372	Springboard Youth Academy CIO	14/09/2022	£50,000 (£16,000; £16,500; £17,500) over three years towards the costs of the organisation's three educational and psychosocial support programmes, specifically the freelance facilitation costs.	Matthew Robinson	£50,000
19124	St Cuthbert's Centre	12/09/2022	£161,400 over five years (£38,280; £35,280; £32,280; £29,280; £26,280) towards the CEO's salary.	Clara Espinosa	£161,400
19419	St Marylebone Parish Church	18/10/2022	£100,000 towards the installation of the lift and staircase to a Grade 1 listed building.	Clara Espinosa	£100,000
19464	St Michaels Fellowship	15/11/2022	£113,450 for a further and final two years (£55,100, £58,350) for the full-time salary of a Young Parent Practitioner and associated on-costs.	Clara Espinosa	£113,450
19724	Streatham Youth and Community Trust	03/10/2022	£4,000 (10 days) to provide an Eco-audit.	Lydia Parr	£4,000
19291	Tannery Arts/Drawing Room	10/10/2022	£44,490 towards access improvements to make the Tannery Arts Drawing Room accessible for disabled people as detailed in the budget request.	Catherine Hobbs	£44,490

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19506	Time and Talents Association	15/11/2022	£113,700 over 2 years (£55,736, £57,964) towards the costs of providing a programme of home and community-based health and wellbeing activities for older people in Southwark.	Catherine Hobbs	£113,700
19297	United St Saviour's Charity	16/11/2022	£179,590 over three years (£54,460; £61,120; £64,010) towards One Southwark, covering 1 FTE Programme Support Officer and related programme delivery costs.	Anneka Singh	£179,590
19290	Voluntary Action Harrow CIC	16/11/2022	£208,500 over three years (£71,357; £68,716; £68,427) towards the costs of employing a full-time Community Engagement Manager and a contribution towards its participatory grant making model and implementation of a grants customer relationships management system.	Aasha Farah	£208,500
19522	WALTHAM FOREST BLIND ASSOCIATION	10/10/2022	£30,000 (3 x £10,000) towards through inclusive sports activities, including strengthening and balancing exercises, for blind and partially sighted people in Waltham Forest	Caspar Cech-Lucas	£30,000
19421	We Are Grow	10/11/2022	£31,600 over three years (£10,000; £10,500; £11,100) towards We Are Grow's Nature Discovery Days and Grow Outdoors activities including associated project overheads, conditional on receiving organisational written financial procedures and a confirmation from The Totteridge Academy on We Are Grow's lease of the school's land for the duration of the grant.	Kate Halahan	£31,600

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19441	West Silvertown Foundation	28/10/2022	£97,650 over three years (£32,000; £32,500; £33,150) towards the Welcome Project, covering a 15 hours p/w project co-ordinator, 5 weekly Pre-entry – Level 3 ESOL classes, creche facilities, community activities and related project overheads.	Anneka Singh	£97,650
19462	MyBnk	14/11/2022	£65,000 over two years (£35,000; £30,000) to contribute to MyBnk's Money Works programme for care leavers in London.	Julia Mirkin	£65,000
<b>Grand Totals (66 items)</b>					<b>£6,391,085</b>