Committee:	Date:
The City Bridge Trust	10 April 2014
Subject:	Public
Grant Applications Statistical Report	
Report of:	For decision
Chief Grants Officer	

# **Summary**

This paper summarises applications received and action taken under your grants programmes in 2014/15. 31 applications will be dealt with at today's meeting, including 16 grant recommendations for a total recommended sum of £1,358,350. This leaves £13,591,650 remaining on your grants budget for 2014/15.

#### Recommendations

Members are asked to:

- Note the report
- Consider the grant recommendations in the subsequent annexes

## **Main Report**

#### **Background**

- 1.1 This paper summarises action taken in 2014/15 on grant applications received under your Working with Londoners and Investing in Londoners grants programmes. It charts overall spend against your current year grants budget, grants made by programme outcomes, action taken on applications received and a summary of today's recommendations. City Bridge Trust committee also receives an annual statistical report which provides more details of the trends seen over the year. Your last annual statistical report was received in November 2013.
- 1.2 City Bridge Trust grants are awarded in line with your policy guidance which includes the priorities and exclusions that were ratified for the Trust by the Court of Common Council, in July 2013.

## Grants budget 2014/15

- 2.1 31 applications will be dealt with at today's meeting of which 16 are recommended for a grant for a total recommended sum of £1,358,350. The implications of today's recommendations are shown in Table 1 against the original grants budget for 2014/15.
- 2.2 If you agree the applications recommended for a grant today this will leave £13,591,650 unspent on your grants budget for 2014/5.

Table 1: Overall spend against 2014/15 budget

	Grants budget	Grants spend
Original Grants Budget	£14,950,000	
Write-Backs & Revocations	£0	
Total Budget Available	£14,950,000	

Today's recommendations April 2014		
Working with Londoners		£140,000
Investing in Londoners		£1,218,350
Total March 2014		£1,358,350
Total annual spend		£1,358,350
Remaining budget	£13,591,650	

# Grants made by outcome area this financial year

3.1 This month 1 grant has been recommended under your older Working with Londoners programme and 1 application remains pending. Given the low remaining numbers of Working with Londoners grants these have not been included in the outcome area analysis. Table 2 shows the breakdown of grants awarded this financial year by outcome area under your Investing in Londoners grant programmes.

Table 2: Grant approvals by outcome area (Investing in Londoners)

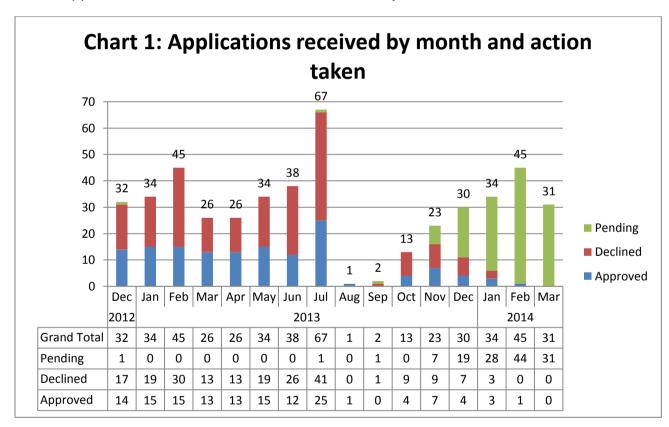
	Today's meeting (1 <sup>st</sup> of financial year)		
Fund/Program	No. of grants	Value of grants	
English for Speakers of Other Languages	0	£0	
Improving Londoner's mental health	1	£38,000	
Improving London's environment	1	£49,050	
Making London more inclusive	3	£255,250	
Making London safer	0	£0	
Older Londoners	2	£37,000	
Reducing poverty	1	£150,000	
Resettlement and rehabilitation of offenders	1	£120,000	
Strengthening London's voluntary sector	1	£146,900	
Arts apprenticeships	1	£4,000	
Partnership programmes - hardship funds	0	£0	
London youth quality mark	0	£0	
Eco-audits	2	£6,400	
Strategic initiatives	2	£411,750	
Exceptional grants	0	£0	
Grand total	15	£1,218,350	

3.3 As it is first month of the financial year a cumulative analysis of the grant awards made this year to date by outcome has not been provided.

#### **Applications received**

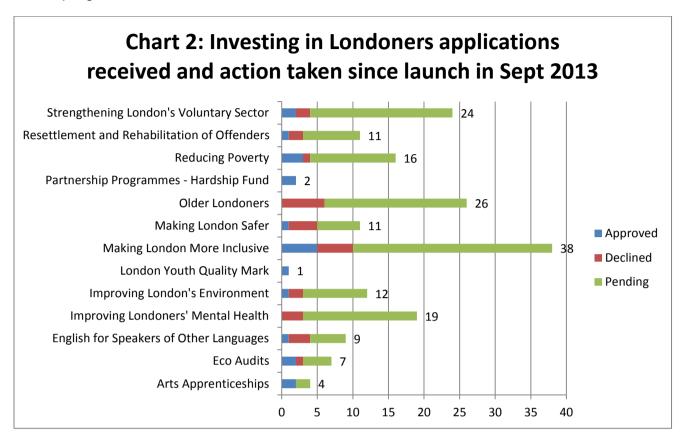
- 4.1 Chart 1 shows applications received by month and the action taken (excluding strategic initiatives and partnership programmes). Please note that applications for decision at today's meeting are still classified as 'pending'. You will notice that there was a large peak in applications in July. This was when your Working with Londoners grants programmes closed to new applications and the peak reflects a rush to submit applications before the closure. If all the applications at today's meeting are approved 1 application from your Working with Londoners programmes will remain pending. Your officers hope to take this remaining application to your May meeting.
- 4.2 Your Investing in Londoners applications launched in September 2013.

  Application numbers are now growing steadily, with a peak of 45 applications in February. This is similar to the previous year which also saw a peak of applications in February, possibly due to organisations aiming to submit applications before the start of a new financial year.



4.3 Chart 2 summarises the number of applications received by outcome area since Investing in Londoners was launched in September 2013. Please note that applications for decision at today's meeting are still classified as 'pending'. It is interesting to observe the large number of applications under Making London More Inclusive. This may reflect the wide range of this programme as there are several different priorities under which organisations can apply. It is also a well-established City Bridge Trust programme, similar to Older Londoners and Strengthening London's Voluntary Sector which have also seen relatively high numbers of applications. It is encouraging however to also see that there are a good number of applications and approved grants

under Reducing Poverty and Making London Safer, two of your newer programmes.



## Today's applications

5.1 31 applications will be dealt with at today's meeting. Table 4 notes the type of action recommended. Full details of each of these applications are shown in separate sections later on in your papers.

Table 4: Action to be taken on applications today

Action to be taken	Number	Working with Londoners	Investing in Londoners
Applications recommended for grant	11	1	10
Funding approved by delegated authority <£5k (to note)	4	0	4
Funding approved by delegated authority <£25k (to note)	1	0	1
Applications recommended for rejection	10	0	10
Withdrawn applications (to note)	4	0	4
Applications lapsed (to note)	1	0	1
Total applications	31	1	30

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