Committee	Date:
City Bridge Trust	26 <sup>th</sup> November 2015
Subject: Variations to grants awarded	Public
Report of: Chief Grants Officer	For Information

# Summary

This report informs Members of 2 grants where variations have been agreed by the Chief Grants officer since your last meeting.

#### Recommendation

Members are asked to:

• Receive this report and note its contents

# **Main Report**

Since your last meeting, variations to the grants outlined below have been agreed by the Chief Grants Officer, in line with the revised delegated procedure for the amendment of grants as agreed by your Committee in October 2004.

## Havering Association of Community & Voluntary organisations (HAVCO)

In September 2014 you awarded HAVCO £156,500 over three years to support the delivery of a borough-wide volunteering service, including the post of Volunteer Centre Manager. The grant commenced in November 2014. This summer the organisation contacted the Trust to say that the local authority was putting some of its contracts out to tender and that, as a result, it was likely to lose some essential funding. As a result, HAVCO decided on a planned closure. It has kept the Trust informed throughout the wind down period. The post funded was paid up until the third week of September, leaving a balance remaining on the original grant of £114,412 – which has now been revoked.

## **Eaves Housing for Women Ltd**

Eaves was awarded a grant of £103,000 in February 2014 towards the salary of a Research & Development Manager post and other costs over two years. The grant, die to end next March, has been operating successfully to date. Last September, however, funders became aware that the organisation was struggling financially, which was confirmed at a meeting hosted by Comic Relief. All funders, including the Trust, were subsequently advised that Eaves would go into administration at the end of October. This process has been planned and funders kept informed throughout. Where possible, efforts have been made to transfer funded services to other, appropriate, providers. With the remainder of your grant (£26,000) it has been

agreed that this be transferred to the Nia Project, to continue the service through to the end of March 2016.

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