

Appendix 3

| Combined Education Charity | | | | | |
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| Applications from Schools Recommended for Grant | | | | | |
| | Organisation Name | Status | Request Amount | Recommended Amount | Project Description |
| Applicant A | The City Academy, Hackney | Recommended for Grant | 3000.00 | 3000.00 | Funding is sought to provide musical opportunities through close partnership with the Guildhall School of Music and other professional musicians to 29 pupils at the City Academy Hackney. £3,000 in total is sought to provide workshops, instrumental lessons, trips to concerts and travel for 29 students attending the academy. During assessment your officer was provided with a list of the students all of which were classified as Pupil Premium with at least half requiring free school meals. Funding is recommended to support this programme allowing for students at a City sponsored Academy to have access to music lessons and experiences and to become Music Ambassadors. |

| Applications from Individuals Recommended for Grant | | | | | |
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| Applicant B | Royal College of Art | Recommended for Grant | 3000.00 | 3000.00 | <p>The applicant is seeking your support to help them with the expenses related to the last 6 months of their Menswear Fashion MA at the Royal College of Art. The applicant is seeking funding for Travel, Course Materials and course related excursions and is seeking funding of £3,000 to cover the final period of study of a 2 year course. The applicant is currently in receipt of Postgraduate Support of £5,000 annually and a College Bursary of £3,000 which goes towards covering the annual course fee of £9,500. Taking the £1,500 that is paid by the applicant into consideration they are currently living just below the Joseph Rowntree basic standard of Living. In the final 6 months of their study they wish to reduce the hours they work to focus on their study. Your funding will allow them to focus on their study at this crucial time while allowing them to have a basic standard of living.</p> |

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| Applicant C | University of the Arts London: Central Saint Martins | Recommended for Grant | 3000.00 | 3000.00 | <p>The applicant is currently studying an MA in Character Animation at Central St Martins. They have 6 months remaining of a 2 year full-time course. The applicant currently lives at home with their parents. The applicant is an adult and is therefore not dependent on their parents, however during assessment it was deemed that the family income would be considered below the minimum income level if the applicants parents were to be supporting them. University of the Arts London have deemed the applicant eligible for a bursary for 50% of the course fees and evidence was provided by the applicant to demonstrate this. As the applicant is entering there final 6 months of the course this funding will be invaluable at this time to ensure they can fully focus on their studies. Funding is recommended to make up the shortfall in the course fees and to provide support for the applicant to travel to and from university and buy relevant equipment for the course.</p> |
| Applicant D | Goldsmiths, Univ. of London | Recommended for Grant | 3000.00 | 3000.00 | <p>The applicant is currently studying a PHD at Goldsmiths University in Community & Youth Work. On advice from their tutor they have taken on an MSC in Data Science in conjunction with their PHD to develop their research skills. The applicant has received a discount on this course from the university and has to make up the £6,489 course fees on top of contributions to PHD Payments. The applicant lives in London and works for Goldsmiths University. Their annual income while studying is £11,832 which is well below the £17,311 minimum income standard, especially when taking into account the additional course fees that will still need to be covered. I recommend that committee support the applicant with a £3,000 contribution towards the course fees for their MSC in Data Science. They have demonstrated during assessment how this will add great educational value to their academic study.</p> |

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| Applicant E | Institute for arts in therapy and education | Recommend for Grant | 3000.00 | 3000.00 | <p>This course will enable the applicant to become a fully registered Psychotherapist. The applicant is looking for funding to make up some of the course fees and to purchase audio books to assist with their study. The applicant has had a recent diagnosis of Lupus SLE and Fibromyalgia and lives at home with two dependant Children. They currently receive housing benefit and tax credits to supplement a small income of £400 a month which is well below the minimum income standard set out by Joseph Rowntree which is set at £633 a month. The annual fees for the course are £7699 and the applicant is seeking support of £2,500 towards the fees and a £500 contribution towards audio books that will assist with their studies.</p> |
| Applicant F | Guildhall School of Music and Drama | Recommended for Grant | 3000.00 | 3000.00 | <p>The applicant graduated from the Guildhall School of Music & Drama in 2016 with a first class honours degree, they have now intend to return to the school to complete their postgraduate studies on the trombone. Since the application was submitted to the Combined Education Charity the applicant has changed their course from Part-time to Full-time. They currently live at home but are over the age of 18 and not dependent on their parents. They earn approximately £2,000 an annum from occasional freelance work as a musician to complement their study. They receive a scholarship of £6,120 from the Guildhall School of Music but since converting their course these fees have risen to £9,120 leaving them with a £3,000 shortfall for the summer term. Funding is recommended to fund this shortfall in their fees to allow them to concentrate full-time on their postgraduate education on the Trombone. Funding should be awarded for their fees associated to their study at the Guildhall School of Music and Drama.</p> |

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| Applicant G | Institute for arts in therapy and education | Recommended for Grant | 3000.00 | 3000.00 | <p>The applicant is looking for support to fund part of their fees, therapy costs and travel for a Postgraduate Certificate in Counselling Using the Arts at the Institute in Arts in Therapy and Education. The applicant lives with their partner who receives incapacity benefit and is unable to work. The applicant work part-time and will be reducing their hours in order to concentrate on their study. Taking the applicants personal situation into account it is clear that they are eligible for funding and have supplied sufficient evidence to support this. Funding is recommended to support the £1,200 cost of therapy sessions associated to the course, £672 towards travel expenses and £1,128 contribution to their course fees which will allow the applicant to reduce their working hours and focus on their study.</p> |
| Applicant H | Guildhall School of Music and Drama | Recommended for Grant | 2000.00 | 2000.00 | <p>The applicant is looking for funding to support the final £2,000 required to study a Masters degree in Music at the Guildhall School of Music. The applicant has received a scholarship from the Guildhall School of Music of £1,000 and a Grant from the Philological Society of £1,000 to support their study. They have also taken out a loan to make up most of the shortfall as well as contributing some savings. They are still £2,000 off their target and are looking for your support so they can undertake their study full-time. At assessment your officer noted that the applicant lives at home with their farther but is over the age to be classified as dependent. The applicant did provide information on their farther's income and if they were dependent their household income would fall under the minimum income standard by £2,472. As the applicant is seeking to study full-time I recommend that funding is awarded to make up the short-fall for this period of study allowing the applicant to focus on their course at the Guildhall School of Music and Drama.</p> |

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| Applicant I | University of greenwich | Recommended for Grant | 3000.00 | 2000.00 | <p>The applicant has applied to the Combined Education Charity to fund computer equipment they require to complete a BSc in Information Systems at the University of Greenwich. During the assessment the applicant demonstrated that they are currently living below the Joseph Rowntree Minimum Income Standard. The monthly household income is £673 a month which is made up of one income alongside tax credits, the applicant also has 3 dependant children at Primary School, secondary School and College. The minimum income for a family of this size is £788 a week which they fall well short of before taking into account the cost of equipment and travel. During assessment I checked with the university and they indicated that computer equipment would benefit the applicants study. I also checked with the applicant and they have demonstrated that their is a need for them to work from home while they study due to the distance they are required to travel and due to their personal needs. If committee wish to fund this application I recommend that a £2,000 contribution is made towards the cost of computer equipment.</p> |
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Applications for Individuals Recommended for Rejection

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| Applicant J | The London School of Beauty & Make-up | Recommended for Rejection | 3000.00 | 0.00 | <p>The applicant is looking for your support to fund a VTCT Level 3 Beauty Therapy Diploma at the London School of Beauty and Make-Up. They have recently completed a level 2 Diploma and are now eligible to proceed to the level 3. The course starts in January and is for 6 months until June 2017. They have provided details for their personal situation and between the applicant and their partner they currently earn around £34,800 between them annually. Taking their rent into consideration the minimum income standard is £30,996. However the applicant will need to drop down to part-time hours as well as paying for equipment for the course. Bearing this in mind their annual household income will reduce to £29,520 bringing them just below the minimum income standard. With this in mind I recommend funding of £2,949 for the cost of the Course fees for the VTCT Level 3 Beauty Therapy Diploma at the London School of Beauty and Make-Up. Although this application is eligible for funding I am recommending it for rejection due to budget constraints. The applicant has also not started their course yet so will not be impacted financially.</p> |
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| Applicant K | School of Oriental and African Studies | Recommended for Rejection | 740.00 | 0.00 | The applicant was awarded £3,000 by the Combined Education Charity in 2015 towards their tuition fees. £2,260 was then paid towards the applicants fees as they had received a career development loan to cover the rest of the course costs. The applicant was advised that if they wished to apply for the remaining £740 then they would be required to submit a new application to us. The application we have received is requesting £740 towards living expenses while the applicant studies. However the course they were attending came to an end in September 2016. I cannot recommend this application for funding as you cannot fund retrospectively and the applicant is no longer attending the original institution at time of consideration. |
| Applicant L | Pimlico Academy | Recommended for Rejection | 3000.00 | 0.00 | The applicant is looking for your support to pay for a Lap top, clothing, equipment and travel costs that will be incurred studying throughout sixth form. The applicant lives with their father who is in receipt of Employment and Support Allowance. Although the applicant has presented a case for support they fall outside your eligibility as the applicant will not be attending a Further or Higher Educational institution and Pimlico Academy is not sponsored by the City of London. |
| Applicant M | London Metropolitan University | Recommended for Rejection | 3000.00 | 0.00 | The applicant is currently studying an MA in Conference Interpreting at Metropolitan University London. The applicant is specialising in Russian as part of their studies and would benefit from attending an intensive study course in Russia during the summer of 2017. Although the applicant has demonstrated the educational value of this activity I am not recommending funding as the programme and school are based in Russia. |

Withdrawn Applications

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| Applicant N | Middlesex University | Withdrawn | 3000.00 | 0.00 | The applicant has withdrawn their application as they will be deferring their place until September 2017. |
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