

Committee	Dated:
City Bridge Trust	23 rd November 2017
Subject: Applications recommended for rejection	Public
Report of: Chief Grants Officer	For Decision

Summary

This report and the accompanying schedule outlines a total of 33 grant applications or Eco-Audit requests that, for the reason(s) identified, are recommended for rejection.

Recommendation

Members are asked to:

- Reject the grant applications detailed in the accompanying schedule

Main Report

1. There are a total of 33 applications recommended for rejection at this meeting. They are listed within categories in the accompanying schedule. In each case the “purpose” that is used to describe the application is that provided by the applicant organisation. All the recommendations are based on criteria set out in your Policy Guidance.
2. Copies of these application forms are available to view in the Members’ Reading Room. 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 Trust office in advance of the meeting so that an explanation can be provided prior to or at the meeting.

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CBT iIL Recommended for Rejection

The City Bridge Trust Committee – 23rd November 2017

Summary of Recommendations for Rejection - Investing in Londoners

Request Date	Ref & Organisation	Purpose	Reason for Recommendation for Rejection	Amount Requested	Grants Officer & Area
<u>English for Speakers of Other Languages</u>					
July 2017	14159 Springfield Community Flat	To develop and enhance RAS work specifically increased and more effective ESOL classes. To enable RAS to integrate and work together for the whole community.	The 15/16 accounts show free reserves far in excess of their six months' target (so they could fund this themselves). They are asking for a full-time post for classes that run two hours/day - meaning that there is a risk part of the funding would end up being spent on other activities.	£39,900	GP Lambeth
<i>Total English for Speakers of Other Languages (1 item)</i>				£39,900	
<u>Improving London's Environment</u>					
September 2017	14282 Ashden - Sustainable solutions, better lives	Towards the only free sustainable energy education programme to schools in London, significantly improving teacher and pupil engagement and understanding.	This is a project entirely in schools, requested by them (and their local authorities), and where the schools are likely to benefit directly through reduced energy bills - yet they do not make any financial contribution to the project costs. The organisation has less than 1 day's worth of expenditure in free reserves.	£82,500	CR Westminster

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September 2017	14308 Green Schools Project CIC	Recruitment of a programme manager role and core running costs.	Financial information for the current and previous year shows total income of less than £10,000. Both the project description and the future financial forecasts of the organisation suggest that schools would be the principal beneficiaries of the organisation's work, which would fall outside your priorities.	£49,435	CR Hackney
September 2017	14270 Pestival CIC	To promote public understanding of the natural environment and insects through the Pestival outreach programme, including through events and online resources.	This is a huge request for a single year's activity, illustrating that the organisation has failed to consider your guidance. Financial information presented shows that the rate of growth of the organisation is rapid, with income forecast to increase five-fold in one year.	£140,028	CR Camden
March 2017	13966 The Gaia Foundation	To raise awareness amongst Londoners of the threats to our food system and how they can practically and politically engage in creating a healthier environment.	A request to stage a photography exhibition and associated communications campaign highlighting the importance of small-scale growers in global agriculture. The application does not address sufficiently how well this would lead to improved understanding of the issue on a significant scale, nor how the applicant would monitor the difference made.	£47,000	TW Camden

Request Date	Ref & Organisation	Purpose	Reason for Recommendation for Rejection	Amount Requested	Grants Officer & Area
August 2017	14229 Westway Trust	To create a movement of community action to improve air quality adjacent to the Westway (A40).	This application does not sufficiently address your areas of interest within the environment programme. In addition it is a rather costly project with limited tangible outcomes.	£181,608	JXM Kensington & Chelsea
<i>Total Improving London's Environment (5 items)</i>				£500,571	
<u>Improving Londoners' Mental Health</u>					
July 2017	14117 Advocacy Project	To provide a community based mental health advocacy service for people across London who identify as LGBT	The organisation has a trend of holding free unrestricted reserves over and above its reserves policy and could self-fund this work. Your officer does not believe the partner organisations referenced are sufficiently skilled or experienced to deliver this specialist work.	£77,970	SAR Kensington & Chelsea
October 2017	14212 Camden Psychotherapy Unit	We aim to provide longer term mental health support in the form of psychoanalytic psychotherapy to people on low incomes and at risk groups.	Organisation has far in excess of one year's worth of unrestricted reserves and above its policy level, so has the capacity to fund this work from existing resources.	£171,391	CR Camden
August 2017	14269 Healthwatch Hillingdon	To deliver a peer to peer Mental Health, Wellbeing and Life Skills promotion and education programme in secondary schools throughout the London Borough of Hillingdon.	The organisation, entirely funded by statutory bodies, has no track record of delivering mental health services to young people.	£46,323	CR Hillingdon

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August 2017	14248 Home-Start Havering	To improve the mental health and wellbeing of children and families living within the London Borough of Havering.	This application did not meet sufficiently the programme outcomes as they will not be delivering specialist mental health support to children and young people.	£61,938	JXJ Havering
September 2017	14309 No.1 Performing Arts (NOPA)	We will deliver holistic and effective mental health support services for families to build resilience and have an impact on the community as a whole.	The annual request is for considerably more than 50% of the organisation's turnover, which it is not your policy to support.	£268,574	KAM Lambeth
August 2017	14252 Sexual Health on Call	To create a Mental Health and Emotional Wellbeing Peer Mentoring Project, and deliver this in 45 schools, reaching 21,600 students, and 1,000 carers.	The applicant did not present a convincing case for funding. The financial position of the organisation is weak; free reserves are insubstantial. The trustees are paid as employees, which is outside recommended good practice for charities.	£138,545	JXM Brent
<i>Total Improving Londoners' Mental Health (6 items)</i>				£764,741	
<u>Making London More Inclusive</u>					
August 2017	14259 Lord's Taverners	The expansion of the Disability Cricket Championships (LTDCC) aimed at providing inclusive cricket participation opportunities for disabled young people aged 12+ across 32 London boroughs.	The organisation holds c. £8M in designated funds (in relation to turnover of c. £6M) where the designation is, in part, to enable the charity to support another expansion. It therefore has sufficient funds already available to support this proposal.	£90,000	CR Westminster

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June 2017	14144 Museum of London	The Open to All Access Project will work with Londoners to make the Museum of London, old and new, the most accessible in the world.	The Trust is unable to support this request given the governance role of the City of London Corporation in both organisations.	£123,227	CR City
August 2017	14236 Oxford House in Bethnal Green	To increase the accessibility of Oxford House, enable increased number of disabled people to use the building and ensure participation in employment/volunteering and arts/heritage activities.	The organisation's free unrestricted reserves are below that which is considered acceptable by the Trust.	£97,569	KAM Tower Hamlets
June 2017	14155 Pembroke House (Pembroke College Mission)	To facilitate greater access across all floors and outside areas of Pembroke House community centre for staff, service users and volunteers facing barriers to access.	The applicant has not provided the information required to complete the assessment by the agreed deadline.	£3,060	JXM Southwark
September 2017	14307 Princes Park Youth Football Club	We wish to construct a disabled ramp to give access onto our floodlit astroturf facility, improving the scope for development/ recreational opportunities for the disadvantaged.	Having recently raised significant funds to redevelop its facilities, the organisation is now seeking to improve their access - which should have been done as part of the original scheme. You also do not support access to sports where there is significant governing body funding available.	£4,000	CR Barnet
October 2017	14318 Sea-Change Projects Ltd	Fitting-out a new traditional Thames sailing barge for the purpose of building confidence, self-esteem and purpose in young Londoners residentially on the River Thames.	The applicant has made no reference to the access audit report recommendations (funded by The Trust) and has requested funds far in excess of the cost of any access works, valued at approximately £900.	£75,000	KAM Outside London

Request Date	Ref & Organisation	Purpose	Reason for Recommendation for Rejection	Amount Requested	Grants Officer & Area
August 2017	14247 St Clement's Church, King Square	To provide an accessible entrance and accessible WC for St Clement's Church for the first time.	The community use of St Clement's is limited to ad hoc "in house" events and commercial use. Based in such close proximity to St Luke's Community Centre (which has significant community programmes on offer), your officer is not convinced of community space demand on St Clement's Church.	£20,000	SAR Outside London
<i>Total Making London More Inclusive (7 items)</i>				£412,856	
<u>Making London Safer</u>					
September 2017	14274 Asian Women's Resource Centre (AWRC)	Sustain support services to Black, Minority, Ethnic women experiencing harmful practices to take control of their lives, become more independent and integrate into mainstream society.	The application has not been well made, with a request for funds towards two management posts on salaries, which seems disproportionately high in relation to the size of the charity.	£192,300	JXM Brent
August 2017	14246 Redbridge Equalities & Community Council	Engage the community to support victims of hate crime, bring victims to come together to have a voice and provide advice and advocacy.	The applicant's financial projections demonstrate a level of free reserves below that which is considered acceptable by the Trust.	£86,118	KAM Redbridge
<i>Total Making London Safer (2 items)</i>				£278,418	

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<u>Older Londoners</u>					
May 2017	14013 Building Exploratory	To engage diverse older Londoners in active learning, increasing their wellbeing and ensuring their voices are heard by those designing and developing London's built environment.	The organisation has negative free reserves.. Outcomes too similar to previous grant - three years not elapsed.	£101,210	GP Islington
July 2017	14184 Carers Network Westminster	Our project will provide specialist support to unpaid carers looking after someone approaching the end of their life.	The applicant has not sufficiently demonstrated the strategic importance of this project, to warrant funding beyond the Trust's previous grant for three years.	£94,453	KAM Westminster
July 2017	14217 Dementia UK	A new Business Development post to establish new Admiral Nurse services across London ensuring families living with dementia have a better quality of life.	The organisation has a very successful fundraising model and has generated a surplus on unrestricted funds for several years running. It now holds free reserves of over £2.5M (and in excess of its policy), so your funding cannot be seen as a priority at this time.	£153,639	RG Islington
August 2017	14238 Jewish Care	To use participatory arts in our eight residential homes in London to increase the older residents' wellbeing by empowering them and providing opportunities for self-expression.	The applicant is seeking funding to continue provision of arts activities in eight of its care homes; after five years it is felt that this work should be embedded in the core approach rather than presented as additional activities. Further, management costs seem disproportionately high, relative to direct activity costs.	£139,602	JXM Barnet

Request Date	Ref & Organisation	Purpose	Reason for Recommendation for Rejection	Amount Requested	Grants Officer & Area
August 2017	14254 Open Age	To support The Open Age Arts Olympics 2021, which will improve the health/wellbeing of older Londoners, through their active participation in the creative/performing arts.	A request for core funding from an organisation which was in receipt of a grant for the same purpose until March 2016. The application is fundamentally for the same outcomes as before and is therefore ineligible for funding at present.	£150,000	TW Kensington & Chelsea
May 2017	14128 Protein Dance Ltd	May Contain Food, May Contain You -- A Dementia-friendly Participatory Performance and Support and Skillshare Package for Older Londoners and their carers.	The application does not sufficiently address the priorities of your Older Londoners programme. The application is over-ambitious in its claim to deliver Continuing Professional Development training for Care Workers.	£124,931	KAM Greenwich
July 2017	14183 The Volunteer Link Scheme	To support and increase the wellbeing of some of the most isolated people in our area through our growing befriending scheme.	The applicant has a level of free reserves above that which is considered acceptable by the Trust. The applicant could therefore invest some of its free reserves in the growth of this existing project.	£75,000	KAM Ealing
<i>Total Older Londoners (7 items)</i>			£838,835		

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<u>Reducing Poverty</u>					
June 2017	14161 Lee Green Lives	We wish to employ a sessional benefits advice/employment worker to provide advice, assist local people in completing on-line benefit forms and provide training for volunteers	While a very small request, it is for benefits/advice work, which the organisation has no experience of providing directly. The rate of pay proposed is below the London Living Wage.	£4,966	CR Lewisham
October 2017	14283 Lewisham Citizens Advice Bureau Service	Our aim is to develop a Welfare Benefits Team assisting clients not capable of dealing with benefit enquiries and appeals, including representation at tribunals.	The attention, focus and outcomes of the bid do not strongly enough address your programme outcomes.	£146,628	KAM Lewisham
<i>Total Reducing Poverty (2 items)</i>				£151,594	
<u>Strengthening London's Voluntary Sector</u>					
August 2017	14221 Jewish Lads' and Girls' Brigade	Expanding JLGB's evolve initiative will strengthen London's voluntary sector and improve, monitor and evaluate each charity's impact to better engage hard to reach young volunteers.	The attention and focus of the bid does not strongly address your programme outcomes. The post for which funding is sought, Project Director, is for a national project, Evolve. The monitoring framework does not provide any milestones or targets against which to measure progress.	£114,000	KAM Redbridge

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July 2017	14223 Jewish Volunteering Network (JVN)	To support charities in providing volunteering opportunities for people with mental health challenges by facilitating recruitment and providing training, mentoring and evaluation.	The organisation's reserves position is double its reserves policy, and during assessment the Director confirmed a significant amount raised at its recent ten year gala dinner. The project has previously been funded through statutory sources, and an application to the local authority is currently pending decision.	£58,826	SAR Barnet
August 2017	14251 Spice Innovations Ltd	We are applying for two years contribution to London spend network development costs in order to strengthen our support offer to London's voluntary sector.	The attention and focus of the bid does not strongly enough address your programme outcomes.	£100,534	KAM Tower Hamlets
<i>Total Strengthening London's Voluntary Sector (3 items)</i>				£273,360	
Grand Totals (33 items)				£3,260,275	