

GRANT FUNDING FOR ENTHUSIASM 2017/18

Report of the Head of Housing Management and Housing Options

1. SUMMARY

This report:

- Updates the partnership work delivered by Enthusiasm in supporting the young people living in our homes and on our estates.
- Outlines recent achievements.
- Highlights the plan to continue grant funding Enthusiasm to deliver direct specialist youth support for a further year to young people.

2. RECOMMENDATION

That the Operational Board approves (subject to Derby City Council approval) the grant funding of £100,000 to Enthusiasm, for delivering Specialist Youth Services work for 2017/2018 .

3. REASON(S) FOR RECOMMENDATION

- 3.1 This grant funding and partnership work is integral to allow Derby Homes to fulfil its objectives outlined within both the Children's & Young People and Customer Engagement & Community Development Strategies.

4. MATTER FOR CONSIDERATION

4.1 Derby Homes Children & Young People Services

- 4.1.1 Derby Homes (DH's) Children and Young People (CYP) strategy aligns engagement for all CYP activities within DH's. Allowing us to listen and learn from young people living in the homes and on the estates we manage. It also ensures we address the CYP priorities of Derby City Council (DCC) & Derby Homes.
- 4.1.2 The purpose of the DH's CYP strategy is to ensure a seamless journey of engagement for children and young people that will raise their aspirations. Along with assisting in breaking the cycle of low educational attainment; tackling worklessness' and promoting citizenship. The strategy aims to deliver projects by working with our chosen specialist professional partners to address social development amongst the children and young people of Derby.

4.2 Specialist Youth Service

- 4.2.1 Derby Homes is committed to supporting young people; one element of this is by

grant funding Enthusiasm in their work. Enthusiasm are our chosen partner who deliver Specialist Youth Services for Derby Homes.

- 4.2.2 Enthusiasm's main role is to work with young people identified as needing support or interventions, achieved using their TRIPPLE R programme. These are the young people whom live in our homes and on our estates. DH's have been supporting Enthusiasm since 2011.
- 4.2.3 Derby Homes has a specialist youth services specification in place to ensure Enthusiasm delivers intervention tactics that align with DCC & DH's objectives. Ensuring Enthusiasm deliver support packages and mentoring to those young people who are not in Education, Employment or Training (NEET) or those young people who are in trouble with the Police.
- 4.2.4 One element of the TRIPPLE R programme delivered by Enthusiasm creates diversionary tactics by supporting and educating young people, working with them to steer them away from ASB. Highlighting that ASB isn't their only opportunity of something to do.
- 4.2.5 Enthusiasm also deliver youth clubs, where young people can hang out in a safe environment and have access to information relating to their circumstances.

4.3 **Management of Specialist Youth Service within Derby Homes**

- 4.3.1 Derby Homes' continue to work closely with Enthusiasm and in particular the Anti-Social Behaviour team. The Customer Engagement & Community Development Manager oversees the partnership, performance and ensures that our relationship continues to strengthen. Both Enthusiasm & DH's see ourselves as a successful and effective team and not just as partners.
- 4.3.2 We have developed a great understanding of how we operate together. Maximising our ability to collectively support and address the issues faced by the young people of Derby.
- 4.3.3 DH's Anti-Social Behaviour Manager & team now have regular contact with Enthusiasm Management team and key support workers relating to specific referrals and wider issues. Young people are at the forefront of this collaborative working to ensure that we sign post them to the right people to support their individual's needs.
- 4.3.4 During the last year we have captured some real life stories of how we are helping to address issues that some young people face and help to shape their future. **(See Appendix 1 & 2)**

4.4 **Performance**

- 4.4.1 We have genuine performance information from Enthusiasm, ensuring timely referral mechanisms and better case management updates to DH's staff. We analyse detailed case studies at regular performance meetings to demonstrate the effectiveness of our partnership and the benefits to DCC & DH's in grant funding Enthusiasm. Along with this we receive detailed performance data showcasing the support that young people receive. **(See Appendix 3)**

- 4.4.2 Our objective over the past year was to have a positive impact on around 100 young people living in the city. We are happy to report to the Board that this ambitious figure has been achieved.

5. FINANCIAL AND BUSINESS PLAN IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 The funding required to continue delivering this service for 2017/2018 supporting Enthusiasm is to the sum of £100,000 of which is incorporated within the Customer Engagement & Community Development funding streams for 2017/18.
- 5.2 Grant funding £100k to Enthusiasm will enable 100 young people to have access to the TRIPPLE R programme. This equates to £1k per young person, demonstrating excellent value for money for both the Council and Derby Homes.
- 5.3 Final approval to grant fund Enthusiasm will be required by Derby City Council.

6. COUNCIL IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1 Final approval to grant fund £100,000.00 to Enthusiasm is required by Cabinet.

7. RISK IMPLICATIONS

- 7.1 Risks to Derby Homes reputation if chosen partner to deliver external services for Children & Young People fail to adhere to service specifications.

The areas listed below have no implications directly arising from this report:

Consultation
Financial and Business Plan
Legal and Confidentiality
Council
Personnel
Environmental
Equalities Impact Assessment
Health & Safety
Policy Review

If Board Members or others would like to discuss this report ahead of the meeting please contact:

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