



Integration Joint Board

Report Title	Authority for Provision of Grants
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1: Purpose of the Report

The purpose of this report is to request the Integration Joint Board to provide instruction to the Chief Officer to authorise grants for up to £10,000 per annum to organisations to support the delivery of our strategic priorities.

The report also brings to the attention of IJB a proposed grant to support the delivery of the Golden Games, and which would be authorised under the proposed instruction to the Chief Officer.

2: Summary of Key Information

2.1 Background

A governance structure is now in place to support the progression of our transformation programme. This includes seeking approval from IJB to incur expenditure on all transformation projects which cost more than £50,000. Projects of this scale also require a direction to be issued to one or both partner organisations.

Projects costing less than £50,000 are approved by the relevant programme board within our governance structure and do not require a direction to be issued to partners.

Some projects require expenditure to be incurred through a third party, and the governance process used to support this, is Aberdeen City Council's Following the Public Pound Code of Practice. This process seeks to ensure that there is proper



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accountability for public funds used in delivering services, and the Code provides a tiered framework to ensure proportionality.

Aberdeen City Councils Delegated Powers were amended in 2017 to clarify that the £50k procurement limits do not extend to grants (this was an issue that extended across ACC, and not just to ACHSCP).

Aberdeen City Council approved, on the 5th March 2018, revised Delegated Powers to Chief Officers as part of its review of its Scheme of Governance, and includes a general delegation to all Chief Officers (including the Chief Officer of the IJB) to authorise grants up to £10,000 to organisations and up to £2000 to individuals.

In order to align with the ACC revised delegation and to prevent the requirement to seek approval from IJB to incur expenditure for small grants, this report recommends that IJB instructs the Chief Officer to accept, assess and make arrangements for grants of up to £10,000 to organisations, and up to £2000 to individuals, provided the services provided as a result of the grant complies with the Strategic Plan, the Strategic Commissioning plan and/or the National Outcomes.

To ensure transparency, all grants provided and accepted by the Partnership would be reported to the Audit and Performance Systems Committee through the usual quarterly transformation acceleration and pace highlight report.

2.2 Golden Games

The Golden Games Festival is an example of a project that is part of our transformation programme and contributes to the delivery of our strategic plan, and for which a grant process is appropriate.

The Golden Games has taken place for a number of years and provides a focus for physical activity and social connectivity for older people in the city.

The project supports the following priorities within our Strategic Plan:

- Support and improve the health, wellbeing and quality of life of our local population.
- Promote and support self-management and independence for individuals for as long as reasonably possible.
- Strengthen existing community assets and resources that can help local people with their needs as they perceive them and make it easier for people to contribute to helping others in their communities.



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Aberdeen Sports Village, in conjunction with a range of partners, forming the Active Aberdeen partnership, are responsible for delivering the Golden Games. Aberdeen Sports Village, as lead partner, has developed a business case which identifies that £4,560 is required to support the delivery of this year's festival.

The benefits of the festival have been identified as:

- Provides a platform for older adults across the city to participate in physical activity thus helping to reduce health inequalities
- Increase the range of physical activity opportunities for all (including those with dementia) which extend past the Games themselves.
- Provide a platform for participants to meet and make friendships thus reducing social isolation.
- Older adults are able to inform and shape the opportunities provided for them across the city
- Effective partnership working

3: Equalities, Financial, Workforce and Other Implications

Financial Implications

The recommendations in this report relate to financial expenditure from the Integration and Change budget. Expenditure on this budget is reported quarterly to the Audit and Performance Systems Committee.

Equalities Implications

There are no equalities implications arising as a direct result of this report. There are likely to be positive indirect benefits to older people as a result of the Golden Games project.

Workforce Implications

There are no implications for workforce employed by NHS Grampian or Aberdeen City Council as a direct result of this report.



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4: Management of Risk

Identified risk(s):

Risks relating to the Transformation Programme are managed throughout the transformation development and implementation processes. The Executive Programme Board and portfolio Programme Boards have a key role to ensure that these risks are identified and appropriately managed.

Link to risk number on strategic or operational risk register:

The main risk relates to not achieving the transformation that we aspire to, and the resultant risk around the delivery of our strategic plan, and therefore our ability to sustain the delivery of our statutory services within the funding available.

9. Failure to deliver transformation at a pace or scale required by the demographic and financial pressures in the system

2. There is a risk of financial failure, that demand outstrips budget and IJB cannot deliver on priorities, statutory work, and project an overspend

How might the content of this report impact or mitigate the known risks:

This paper seeks approval to incur expenditure in order to continue a number of services which will provide the space and time to develop effective transformation plans while continuing to support those with long term conditions.

5: Recommendations for Action

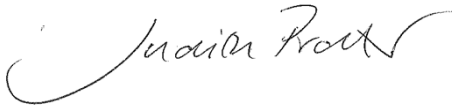

It is recommended that the Integration Joint Board:

- (1) Agree that grants up to £10,000 per annum are made to individual organisations and up to £2,000 per annum to individuals, provided that the aims of the project to be funded comply with the Strategic Plan, the Strategic Commissioning Plan and/or the National Outcomes; and



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- (2) Instructs the Chief Officer, following consultation with the Chief Financial Officer, and the Chair and Vice-Chair of the IJB, to accept, assess and make arrangements for grants up to £10,000 per annum to be paid to individual organisations and up to £2,000 per annum to individuals, and to report quarterly to the Audit and Performance Systems Committee with details of the grants paid and accepted.
- (3) Note the information about the Golden Games project and that, subject to recommendations 1 and 2 above, this project would be approved and grant funding provided in line with these recommendations.

6: Signatures	
	Judith Proctor (Chief Officer)
	Alex Stephen (Chief Finance Officer)