# City of York Council Social Inclusion Working Group

## Application for financial support to facilitate effective community involvement.

Name of Forum: York Older People's Assembly

Contact details: Don Parlabean

Total amount of funding requested: £1,130

The SIWG identified three areas where community forums may apply for funding to support effective involvement.

Please explain how the application meets one or more of these.

### A. Making meetings accessible and inclusive

The budget could be used to make meetings accessible and inclusive for the community representatives attending. This could be to pay for interpretation or to cover transport or child care expenses.

### B. To support engagement with wider community

The budget could be used to help the community forums to inform the members of the community they represent of the work of the SIWG and to seek their views.

Whilst OPA meetings are well attended there is also a need to communicate with the wider community of older people. The publication of a newsletter and development of a website will enable the assembly to reach many more older people in a cost-effective way. The newsletter will be sent to luncheon clubs, day centres etc and the website will be available to anyone with access to a computer. Both the newsletter and website will include reports on what the SIWG has discussed, the outcomes of those discussions and what will be discussed at future meetings.

#### C. To facilitate forum meetings

Some forums have few if any resources and holding accessible and inclusive meetings can be difficult. The budget could be used to help pay for venue hire, publicity etc.

Please provide details of what the funding would pay for:			
Item	Value	Purpose	
Example:	Example:	Example:	
Printing	£200	To print 250 newsletters 4	
_		times a year.	
Printing	£620	To print copies of the	
		newsletter 4 times a year.	

#### **ANNEX A**

Postage	£260	To post the newsletter 4
		times a year.
Website design and hosting	£250	To pay for the development
		and hosting of a OPA
		website.

For how long would the funding support more effective involvement?			
From	То	Number of meetings or newsletters	
Dec 06	Dec 07	4	

The Social Inclusion Working Group will need to be able to check that this financial support has improved the effectiveness of community involvement in its work. How will you provide information / reports to the SIWG?

Copies of the newsletter will be sent to all members of the SIWG. The web site will be publicised to all members of the SIWG. The OPA will review the effectiveness of the newsletter and website after a year and report to the SIWG. Invoices and receipts will be retained.

Do you currently receive financial support from any other source to facilitate community involvement?* If so please summarise here:				
Value	Source	Purpose of funding	Period that	
			funding covers	
<b>Example</b>	Example:	Example:	Example:	
<u>:</u>	City Of York	For community development and	April 05 to	
£2,000	Council	involvement.	March 07	
None				

Do you expect to receive financial support from any other source in the future to facilitate community involvement?* If so please summarise here:				
Value	Source	Purpose of funding	Period that funding covers	
<u>Example</u>	Example:	Example:	Example:	
<u>:</u> £2,000	City Of York Council	For community development and involvement.	April 07 to March 09	
None				

<sup>\*</sup> Please note that the Social Inclusion Working Group cannot fund something that has already taken place or where funding from another source exists for that purpose.