City of York Council Social Inclusion Working Group

Application for financial support to facilitate effective community involvement.

Name of Forum:	York Lesbian Gay Bisexual Transgender Forum (LGBTF)		
Contact:	Peter Blackburn		
Total amount of funding requested:		£1,750	

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.

Regarding the funding. The forum investigated what needs to be carried out by the forum and the consensus of opinion was that we need to keep people informed, be contactable and up to date with news, views etc. Therefore the idea of an LGBT Newsletter for York and surrounding areas came alive. The forum therefore are asking the SIWG to grant funding for £1,750.00. This money will go towards the purchase of a computer, printer and software. The grant will also pay towards printing costs, stationary and stamps. Also the forum thought by purchasing a 'pay as you go' mobile phone, members of our LGBT community can contact the forums officers with any particular issues or problems they may have that can be brought to the attention of the powers that be. The forum treasurer is presently putting together a budget outlining the cost of equipment and other items.

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.

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Please provide details of what the funding would pay for:				
Item	Value	Purpose		
Example: Printing	Example: £200	Example: To print 250 newsletters 4 times a year.		
Newsletter – initial printing costs	£500			
Laptop computer + software	£450	To produce and disseminate regular newsletters.		
Printer / scanner / fax	£180			
Printer cartridges	£85			
Paper 20 reams	£40			
Envelopes x 1000	£40			
Stapler, paper clips etc	£15			
Postage (600x2nd class)	£150			
PAYG mobile (to receive calls only)	£90	To pay for the purchase and ongoing bills of a mobile phone – to provide easy access by the community to the reps on the SIWG.		
Advertising.	£200	Small ads to publicise forum and events.		
TOTAL	£1750.00			

For how long would the funding support more effective involvement?				
From	То	Number of meetings or newsletters		
Computer hardware: Jan 07	Ongoing	N/A		
Postage: Jan 07	March 08	4		
Mobile phone: Jan 07	March 08	ongoing		

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 LGBT will review the effectiveness of the newsletter and mobile phone 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		
Example	Example:	Example:	Example:		
<u>:</u>	City Of York	For community development and	April 05 to		
£2,000	Council	involvement.	March 07		
None					

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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			
Example	Example:	Example:	Example:			
<u>:</u>	City Of York	For community development and	April 07 to			
£2,000	Council	involvement.	March 09			
None						

^{*} 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.