

Annex One

CRITERIA FOR FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Housing and Adult Social Services

Housing and Adult Social Services' funding objectives are guided by the various social care and housing strategies adopted by the Council. They are aimed at helping disadvantaged people throughout the City of York Council area.

Adult Social Services directs resources to organisations that provide services for:

- older people
- people with physical or sensory impairments
- people with learning difficulties
- people with mental health problems

Adult Social Services will prioritise new applications as follows:

- Short-term grants which enable the applicant to develop or provide a service which complements the priorities of Housing and Adult Social Services, and which may become subject to a contract in future years
- Grants which will allow the applicant to help other organisations to provide effective services which meet identified needs
- Funding for services provided in partnership with Housing and Adult Social Services.

Applications for funding for an organisation's core services will be considered, providing that these services meet the social care objectives laid down in the various social care strategies adopted by the Council. These objectives must be clearly identified, spelt out in service level agreements and effectively monitored. Applications for Discretionary Rate Relief may also be made under these same criteria.

Housing Services will direct resources to organizations which address housing needs in York and which can measure progress in meeting those needs.

Priority will be given to applications which help to address social care as well as housing concerns. This will complement the focus of the Council's Housing and Adult Services directorate, which seeks maximum benefit for residents by combining housing and social care activities.