

EQIA Third Party Grants

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The Proposal

Phase 1 -10% reduction in grants and support to other third party organisations providing culture, heritage, sport, leisure, youth work, community and adult learning services, phased in over 2015/16 - 2016/17.

Phase 2 -Major review of policy and budget for support to 3rd party organisations providing culture, heritage, sport, leisure, youth work, community and adult learning services (with the exception of those organisations; HLH, IL & EC, addressed through separate saving proposals). Proposal will result in cessation of all pre-existing long-term grant arrangements and a new bidding process for all organisations based on criteria to be established. Based upon a funding pool 50% lower than at present (saving being 40% on top of the proposal above).

Phase 1

Funded organisations that have a direct Impact on Equalities Groups

- Highland Disability Sport
- LEAD Scotland – Training and support for people with a disability
- Puffin Pool, Dingwall. Care and Learning funding is to enable public access rather than supporting people with a disability
- Thurso and Wick Youth Clubs, Grantown YMCA, Room 13, Youth Highland, Highland Divisional Girls Brigade, Highland Battalion Boys Brigade, Girl Guides (Inverness – Shire, Ross-Shire, Sutherland and Caithness), H&I Regional Scout Council, Inverness Sea Scouts - youth work

Groups that offer services to Equalities Groups

Some groups provide services to groups with protected characteristics, but more information is required to give a full picture. Examples are:

- Highland Print Studio – consultation with third Sector Interface – works with MH Team, older men and young carers.
- WEA – provides input to ESOL and International Women's Group and Adult Basic Education.

Impacts

A 10% reduction over two years is unlikely to have significant equality or rural impact, although it is noted that museums have already had an 18% cut over last two years and other organisations have had standstill budgets.

Phase 2

This will lead to an accumulative 50% less funding to bid into. This is likely to lead to closures of some organisations and therefore a potential rural impact.

Funded organisations are heavily supported by volunteers, predominantly older people. For example, museum staff - 21 FTE – only one male, so a potential impact upon gender. (whole museum sector approx. 120 staff).

Examples of services that are likely to be at high risk of closure include Independent swimming pools and leisure centres. For example Poolewe Swimming Pool has around 5,500 users. Serves Gairloch and Poolewe. The nearest alternative is Ullapool.

Most of the affected organisations rely heavily on volunteers. Museums being supported by predominantly older people, so a potential negative impact on age.

A potential positive impact might be that reapplication for all could mean opening up to other groups that have no current access, albeit to a smaller fund.

A full EQIA will be carried out as part of the review.

3RD PARTY GRANTS & PAYMENTS

Organisation	Purpose
Community Facilities	
Nairn Community & Arts Centre	Revenue support for community facility run by a community group in Nairn
Duthac Centre	Revenue support for community organisation providing community facilities in Tain
Village Hall Grants	Grants scheme that provides up to £1k to assist with halls' annual running costs
Arts & Culture	
AROS	Support for provision of cultural and arts programme in Skye
Highland Print Studio	Programme and revenue support
Lochaber Music School	Programme and revenue support to organisation providing music tuition in Lochaber
Lyth Arts Centre	Programme and revenue support for arts centre in Caithness
Room 13	Programme and revenue support for art initiative for primary aged children in Lochaber
Society of Badenoch & Strathspey Artists	To enable community group operate Council owned Iona Gallery in Kingussie
Touring Network	Revenue support for Highland co-ordinating network of local arts promoters
Strathpeffer Pavilion	Programme and revenue support for facility providing arts and cultural activities in Strathpeffer
Local arts promoters grants	Grant scheme that provides up to £1.2k to assist local groups promote arts activities/events in local communities
Sport & Leisure	
Assynt Leisure	Revenue support for community group providing sport/leisure activities and services in NW Sutherland
Linnhe Leisure (Nevis Centre)	Revenue support for organisation providing sport/leisure/community services in Fort William area
Lochalsh Leisure Centre	Revenue support for community group providing sport/leisure facilities including swimming in Lochalsh and Skye
Mallaig & District Swimming Pool Association	Revenue support for community organisation providing sport/leisure facilities and services in Mallaig area
Nairn Sports Club	Up keep of tennis court and provision of public access to tennis courts in Nairn
North Coast Leisure (Bettyhill Pool)	Revenue support for community group providing sport/leisure facilities and services in North Sutherland
Poolewe Swimming Pool	Revenue support for community group operating swimming pool in Poolewe area
Puffin Pool (Dingwall)	Revenue support to enable public access to hydrotherapy facilities in Dingwall area
Camanachd Association	Contribution to sports development officer post
Highland Curling Development Group	Support for curling development programme
Highland Disability Sport	Revenue support for organisation

Sports Councils	Support for 8 sports councils to enable them provide a scheme of grants for local sports clubs/groups
Museums & Heritage	
Ardnamurchan Lighthouse Trust	Revenue support for museum/heritage facility and activities in Ardnamurchan area
Caithness Horizons	Revenue support for community group providing museum/heritage facility and activities in Thurso area
Cromarty Courthouse	Revenue support for community group providing museum/heritage facility and activities in Cromarty area
Dingwall Museum	Revenue support for community group providing museum/heritage facility and activities in Dingwall area
Dornoch History Links	Revenue support for community group providing museum/heritage facility and activities in Dornoch area
Dunbeath Preservation Trust	Revenue support for community group providing museum/heritage facility and activities in Dunbeath area
Gairloch Museum	Revenue support for community group providing museum/heritage facility and activities in Gairloch area
Glencoe & Lorne Folk Museum	Revenue support for community group providing museum/heritage facility and activities in Glencoe area
Glenfinnan Station Museum	Revenue support for community group providing museum/heritage facility and activities in Glenfinnan area
Grantown Museum & Heritage Trust	Revenue support for community group providing museum/heritage facility and activities in Grantown area
Groam House Museum	Revenue support for community group providing museum/heritage facility and activities in Rosemarkie & Fortrose area
Highland Museum of Childhood	Revenue support for community group providing museum/heritage facility and activities in Strathpeffer area
Mallaig Heritage Centre	Revenue support for community group providing museum/heritage facility and activities in Mallaig area
Nairn Museum	Revenue support for community group providing museum/heritage facility and activities in Nairn area
Strathnaver Museum	Revenue support for community group providing museum/heritage facility and activities in Strathnaver area
Tain Through Time	Revenue support for community group providing museum/heritage facility and activities in Tain area
Tarbat Historic Trust	Revenue support for community group providing museum/heritage facility and activities in Portmahomack area
Timespan Museum	Revenue support for community group providing museum/heritage facility and activities in Helmsdale area
Ullapool Museum	Revenue support for community group providing museum/heritage facility and

	activities in Ullapool area
West Highland Museum	Revenue support for community group providing museum/heritage facility and activities in Fort William area
Youth Work	
Thurso Youth Club	Revenue/programme support for youth work activities in Thurso
Grantown YMCA	Revenue/programme support for youth work activities in Grantown
Wick Youth Club	Revenue/programme support for youth work activities in Wick
Youth Highland	Revenue/programme support for youth activities in Highland
Highland Division Girls Brigade	Volunteer training/revenue support to enable organisation provide youth activities
Highland Battalion Boys Brigade	Volunteer training/revenue support to enable organisation provide youth activities
Girlguiding - Inverness-shire, Ross-shire, Sutherland & Caithness	Volunteer training/revenue support to enable organisation provide youth activities
Highlands & Islands Regional Scout Council	Volunteer training/revenue support to enable organisation provide youth activities
Inverness Sea Cadets	Volunteer training/revenue support to enable organisation provide youth activities
Sutherland Youth Work Grants	Historic scheme providing small grants for youth work in Sutherland
Adult Learning	
LEAD	Support for programme for adult learners with disabilities
Workers' Educational Association (WEA)	Support for liberal studies and creative arts programme