Attachment 09

BODY:	**CABINET**
DATE:	**6th February 2008**
SUBJECT:	**Grants to Voluntary Organisations 2008-09**
REPORT OF:	**Director of Housing, Health and Community Services**
Ward(s):	All
Purpose:	To agree the level of grant to voluntary organisations in Eastbourne for the year 2008-09.
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Recommendations:	That Cabinet agrees the discretionary grants in line with the recommendations from the Grants Task Group as set out in the report.

1.0 Introduction

1.1 The budget for 2007/08 was £185,450 and this figure will be increased to £193,200 for 2008/09 as a result of certain uplifts for inflation.

1.2 In 2005 CAB and EAVS were awarded 3 year funding agreements to allow them to draw down additional funding using our grant as match funding. This has now ceased and both groups have re-applied for one year funding.

1.3 The core grant recommended to CAB is £95,000.

1.4 The core grant recommended to EAVS is £12,000 together with a contribution towards rent of £16,250.

1.5 A total of 44 applications were received requesting £400,553.20 in grant funding.

1.6 As in previous years the quality of application received was generally very high and required lengthy appraisal.

2.0 Grants Task Group

2.1 The Grants Task Group, comprised of the following: Councillors Szanto (Chair), Howlett & Mattock met on 8th January and made the following recommendations:

Name of Organisation	**Grant Allocation**
Age Concern	7,000
Beat Youth Sports Club	2,000
Bourne CP School	990
Bridgemere Centre	6,000
Citizens Advice Bureau	95,000
Community Wise	5,000
Compass Community Arts	3,000
Chaseley Trust	0
Eastbourne and District Scouts	1,000
Eastbourne and Wealden YMCA	7,500
EAVS	28,250
Eastbourne Salvation Army	7,500
Eastbourne Community Sport Network	2,500
Eastbourne Cricket Club	0
Eastbourne Cultural Communities Network	1,800
Eastbourne Woodcraft Folk	1,000
Eastbourne Music and Arts Festival	1,000
Eastbourne Neighbourhood Watch	1,000
Eastbourne Swimming Club	2,000
Eastbourne Symphony Orchestra	1,250
Eastbourne Voluntary Lifeguards	3,500
Eldon Road Pre School	0
Far Eastern Foundation	0
Friends of Hampden Park	445
Friends of Tollgate	0
Furniture Now	3,000
Hampden Park Playgroup	0
Hazel Court School Charitable Fund	0
Mediation Plus	1,000
Multiple Sclerosis Society	2,000
National Osteoporosis Society	598
Ocklynge Junior School	0
People Matter Trust	2,500
Pevensey and Westham Playgroup	0
Rising Stars Playgroup	0
The Rude Mechanical Company	300
Scallywags Pre School	0
Society of Eastbourne Artists	950
Southern Youth Ballet	0
Stonecross and Langney Community Interest Company	0
Sussex Association for Spina Bifida	1,500
Trees Community Association - Boxing Club	2,000
Uptown Players	0
Wildlife Rescue and Ambulance Service	1,000
Total	**£192,583**

2.2 This would mean that the grant budget for 2008-09 is allocated as follows:

CAB	**95,000**
EAVS Core Grant	**12,000**
EAVS Rent Support Grant	**16,250**
Discretionary Grants	**69,333**
Total	**£ 192,583**

3.0 Resource Implications

3.1 The grant recommendations above are within the budget for 2008/09 to be agreed later in this Cabinet's agenda.

4.0 Conclusion

4.1 In line with the deliberations of the Grants Task Group it is recommended that Voluntary Organisations should receive the grant funds set out in 2.1 and CAB and EAVS should receive the funds as set out in 1.3 & 1.4.

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Background Papers:

None.

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