East Sunderland Area Committee

25 June 2018

Financial Report: Annex Seven

Call for Projects: Community Connectors 2018

# Submitted Application

Organisation / Output	Universal Credit	Young People	Social Isolation	Amount	Recommendation	
Doxford						
Hendon						
Make Your Way	4			£2,000	Reject	

# **Application One**

Name of Organisation	Make Your Way	
Title of Project	Community Connectors	
Full Cost of project	£2,000	
Match Funding	£0	
Total SIB requested	£2,000	
Start / End	August 2018 / April 2019	
Declaration	Nil	

### **Project Description**

1. Assisting people to prepare for universal credit

"We aim through this grant to support and guide people who are receiving Universal Credit. We have experience and we understand Universal Credit does raise issues in some cases. We aim to offer our services for advice on: budget Management as we have learned from our service users that the transfer from JSA to Universal Credit has proved difficult and has caused issues for example rent arrears and shortage of food in local households. We have spoken to landlords and given a professional explanation and reference provision to ensure eviction does not happen due to the Universal Credit transfer or because the service user has not known how to manage their new budget income. And we have helped service users who have found themselves with no food by introducing them to the food bank who are an organisation we work in partnership with. This has benefited the community by reducing evictions and the service user by supporting them with housing issues and resolving any anxiety around rent or finding bonds. And by introducing individuals and groups to the food bank we have stopped household being hungry and we have reduced the need to use crime to fund food shortage for individuals and families."

Output Code	Target
Number of beneficiaries	48
CV's created	48
Confidence building sessions delivered	12

The project description does not provide a clear understanding of what it will do i.e. employ a part time worker to deliver 8 hrs a week to support people prepare for UC by showing them how to navigate around the relevant website, complete a CV, carry out job searches, etc.

It seems to focus on what the Group have delivered – not the proposed project.



The financial breakdown does not match with the project description.

Preparing for universal credit needs experts to provide current and accurate information, advice and guidance – none listed. Although their service users may need support on preparing for universal credit Make Your Way specialise in furniture restoration, it would make more sense for the organisation to signpost their customers into specialist providers.

## Call for Projects: East Digital Inclusion Programme (EDiT) Phase Two

### **Submitted Application**

Organisation / Output	Target audience	Participation tools	Develop IT skills	Amount	Recommendation	
East Sunderland						
Sunderland North Family Zone		*		£4,500	Reject	

Name of Organisation	Sunderland North Family Zone	
Title of Project	Digital Inclusion	
Full Cost of project	£27,000	
Match Funding	£22,500	
Total SIB requested	£4,500	
Start / End	August 2018 / March 2019	
Declaration	Nil	

#### **Application One**

### **Project Description**

1. Target audience *Not referenced in the form.* 

2. Participation Tools

To deliver one to one support or small group work to a minimum of 300 residents in venues in the East area (none listed on the form). Customers can self-refer, drop in or make appointments. The customer will be given support based on their capacity and confidence to complete a basic online programme which usually takes six hours to deliver, so the length of the course may vary. The organisation states it will train up to two Digital Champions in the venues to continue the project when funding ends.

#### 3. Skills developed

Not referenced in the form.

Output Code	Target
Minimum number of residents supported	300

Item and Description	Total Costs	Match Costs	SIB Contribution
£15 per learner x 300	£27,000	£22,500	£4,500
Total	£27,000	£22,500	£4,500

The organisation are based in Silksworth and have not received funding from East Area Committee before.

Unsure if the match funding is geographically restricted, similarly to SIB, and if the project is being delivered in the West and the addition from SIB will extend the work into the area.

The organisation did not identify any venues in the East area to work from therefore it is not clear if the Organisation have a good knowledge or understanding of what partnerships, services or activities are delivered in the East area. The project description did not make reference to who and how the project would work with the target auidence, or what skills would be developed.