

**3SIF Assessment summary
Homelessness Prevention and Home Safety**

Organisation	Service	Assessors comments	Recommendation
Advance	<p>Minerva Service to support female ex offenders who have served custodial sentences of less than 12 months and are at risk of homelessness. Also applied for funding of this service under H&WB Adults.</p> <p>15% of full service cost being sought.</p>	<p>Assessors were not clear what the demand is for female ex offenders who would need this service and felt the case had not been sufficiently made to convince officers that there are sufficient women ex offenders who served less than 12 month sentence and who are at risk of homelessness. A well considered application, but the case for the need for the service is not clearly evidenced. Assessors do not recommend prioritisation in this round, but would recommend that Advance undertake further investigation of this issue in order to work up a stronger business case for future rounds of this service area.</p> <p>Due to the high competition for funding, this service is not prioritised at this time.</p>	<p>Not prioritised for funding.</p>
Bishop Creighton House	<p>Safer Homes and Home Improvement (Care & Repair) Services:</p> <p>Home Safety offers a safety, security and fire safety assessments, followed by small jobs to address issues identified.</p> <p>Home Improvement Service offers a Care & Repair service which includes project</p>	<p>The proposed Home Safety Service offers a positive assessment and small jobs service, which is likely to support local residents and prevent accidents in the home. Although the service is higher cost than other service proposals, the application offered a robust business case for a service that would likely deliver the outcomes sought and form part of a broader service currently offered by the organisation. Funding is recommended at a lower level than requested, to fund a full time handyman/lock fitter, part time administrative support and a contribution towards management and running costs. Assessors recommend funding on the basis of small jobs being</p>	<p>Recommended for funding:</p> <p>Oct 11 – Sept 12: £58,750 Oct 12 – Sept 13: £58,750</p> <p>Future years (subject to review of outcomes, priorities and performance): Oct 13 – Sept 14:</p>

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	<p>management of building works, information advice and guidance on building and adaptations works.</p> <p>Requesting £488,700 over 4 years plus £390,700 from Safer Communities.</p> <p>59% sought for full funding costs (including Safer Communities funding request)</p>	<p>provided to a minimum 300 individual residents per year.</p> <p>The Home Improvement Service would offer a higher level of support, including managing and arranging home improvement works for approximately 20 residents a year. Assessors concluded that this service may duplicate the work offered under Home Improvement Agency Services, and this element of the service is therefore not prioritised for funding</p> <p>This application was submitted under both this service area, and Safer Communities.</p> <p>Safer Homes is recommended for funding for two years, with the possibility of extending for a further 2 periods of 12 months, dependent on a review of outcomes, priorities and performance</p>	<p>£58,750 Oct 14 – Sept 15: £55,000</p>
<p>Broadway Homelessness Support</p>	<p>Homelessness Prevention Project Funding sought for a worker to support 75 users a year to avoid housing crisis.</p> <p>100% of service costs being sought</p>	<p>Insufficient consideration given to other advice services in the borough and a low number of users. Assessors concluded that a number of these activities are likely to also be covered by Broadway’s existing support service and that the service may duplicate existing floating support services.</p> <p>Due to the high competition for funding, this service is not prioritised at this time.</p>	<p>Not prioritised for funding</p>
<p>H&F Citizens Advice Bureau</p>	<p>ROOF: Renters, Owner Occupiers and Families: legal advice on housing issues for individuals and families at risk of</p>	<p>A well presented application, that includes good promotion of and access to the service. Assessors considered that the service would deliver the specification outcomes, plus would complement the other services commissioned under Economic</p>	<p>Recommended for funding Oct 11 – Sept 12: £70,000 Oct 12 – Sept 13:</p>

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	<p>homelessness. Includes IAG, Education and 1-2-1 support.</p> <p>59% of service costs being sought</p>	<p>Wellbeing & Opportunity, also provided by this organisation.</p> <p>Recommend for funding, on condition that the organisation includes in their monitoring which users do not meet the statutory criteria for homelessness.</p>	<p>£70,000</p> <p>Further years (subject to review of outcomes, priorities and performance) Oct 13-Sept 14: £68,000 Oct 14 – Sept 15: £65,000</p>
H&F Law Centre	<p>Homelessness Prevention Service Legal advice for those at risk of housing crisis to help maintain or retain tenancy. Face to face and telephone advice plus casework, available 3 days a week. Volunteers supervised by a solicitor to deliver the service. 9 hours client contact time and 16 hours follow up. Representation at court by existing court duty services or legal aid</p> <p>60% of service costs being sought</p>	<p>The application did not include sufficient detail for assessors to gain a reasonable insight into how the service will be delivered, managed and how the outcomes achieved will be evidenced. Although the service proposes to reach high numbers of disabled residents, the application did not support this by detailing how the service would be promoted and accessible to the widest possible range of local residents.</p> <p>Due to the high competition for funding, this service is not prioritised at this time</p>	<p>Not prioritised for funding</p>
Staying Put Services	<p>Home Safety Project: Home safety, small jobs and repairs for vulnerable</p>	<p>A well considered application, which offered a home safety and small jobs service for local residents. The service is comparable to other applications</p>	<p>Not prioritised for funding</p>

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	<p>or older residents.</p> <p>86% of service costs being sought</p>	<p>received under this service area, but is requesting a higher proportion of overall service.</p> <p>Due to the high competition for funding, this service is not prioritised at this time</p>	
<p>Staying Put Services</p>	<p>Homelessness Prevention Service Funding sought for a range of activities aimed to prevent homelessness, including specialist housing, debt and welfare rights advice, mediation, maximizing Discretionary Housing Payments. Will also work with landlords to maximise housing options. Casework and advice service approach.</p> <p>100% of service costs being sought</p>	<p>Assessors concluded this was a fundable application, but insufficient consideration had been given in number of areas, including evidencing outcomes and how the service would link with and complement existing provision. Assessors concluded that a number of the activities proposed may duplicate existing services.</p> <p>Given the high competition for funding, this service is not prioritised at this time.</p>	<p>Not prioritised for funding</p>