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<p>Breakthrough Deaf & Hearing Integration</p> <p>This service is not recommended for funding.</p>	<p>IAG service for deaf and hard of hearing people in H&F.</p>	<p>The application lacked detail in key areas including the method of delivery of services i.e. training and job search, evidence of local need for the service and of the gaps in services to meet those needs. The cost of the service is high when compared with the number of beneficiaries. The business case for funding was not well developed particularly in light of competition and the limited funds available. For these reasons, other applications were given higher priority for funding.</p>	<p>£0</p>
<p>Eastern European Advice Centre</p> <p>This service is not recommended for funding.</p>	<p>Service for Eastern Europeans providing advice on welfare benefit, housing, debt management, routes into employment and access to health services.</p>	<p>The project aims to make a lasting difference through developing an integrated IAG service for the specified group of disadvantaged clients; however the application does not demonstrate fully the level of need among the targeted client group, namely Polish residents. The application did not demonstrate a close fit with the service specification and in light of competition and limited funds, the services proposed in other applications were viewed as higher priorities for funding.</p>	<p>£0</p>
<p>FLAC</p> <p>This service is recommended for funding.</p>	<p>Legal advice and representation in welfare law, employment, housing and debt management, together with identification and advice on any underlying cause.</p>	<p>Application meets specification criteria although further detail on achievements and project plan could be further developed. This application satisfactorily demonstrates a fit with the service specification requirements and the application is recommended for 3SIF. However competing priorities and demand on the budget has meant that a reduced offer of funding must be made. Officers are recommended a maximum funding level - to which the applicant must submit a revised budget and</p>	<p>Yr 1 £32,500 Yr 2 £32,500 Total £65,000</p>

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		service plan to the satisfaction of the Director CSD. In addition the funding offer is directed to support the evening advice service and this will need to be demonstrated in the revised budget and service plan.	
<p>H&F Citizens Advice Bureau (AESB delivery)</p> <p>This service is not recommended for funding.</p>	<p>Generalist and specialist level legal advice and information in welfare benefits, debt, employment and housing, to residents of the north of the borough - complementary to main base in Fulham.</p>	<p>Application lacks detail on how new service will outreach to local residents; develop current offer and integrate legal advice services with employment support services. Unclear how this service sits with the CAB core service application which proposes an expansion of the CAB core service to the same catchment i.e. residents in the north of the borough.</p> <p>The combined cost of this application and the CAB core services application exceed the total available of the annual 3SIF budget whilst the service outcomes and added value of this application are not well evidenced.</p>	<p>£0</p>
<p>H&F Citizens Advice Bureau (core services)</p> <p>This service is recommended for funding.</p>	<p>Generalist and specialist level legal advice and information, primarily in the social welfare law categories of welfare benefits, debt, employment and housing.</p>	<p>Well known service offering good range of legal advice services and representation accessible to the most vulnerable residents. The application proposes to expand the core service to all LBHF residents.</p> <p>This application satisfactorily demonstrates a fit with the specification requirements and the application is recommended for 3SIF. However, it is anticipated that this service will provide a satisfactory level of advice across social welfare, debt, employment and housing, together with targeted benefits advice to those most vulnerable. It is considered that the preventative aspect</p>	<p>Yr 1 £318,263 Yr 2 £318,263 Total £636,526</p>

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		<p>of this project would fit well with the council's priorities, in combination with the specialist legal advice available to residents, which is funded from other sources, including Legal Services Commission. Officers are recommending a maximum funding level - to which the applicant must submit a revised budget and service plan to the satisfaction of the Director of CSD.</p>	
<p>H&F Community Law Centre</p> <p>This service is recommended for funding.</p>	<p>Legal advice, assistance and legal representation at court and tribunal hearings aimed at residents to help sustain employment, reduce housing debt and arrears and to facilitate homelessness prevention.</p>	<p>The application sets out how it will meet the specification but there are areas where the targeting of the service to priority beneficiaries is unclear, and also how separation of services will be achieved, ensuring that 3SIF funding would only be used to fund the services that meet the specification outcomes.</p> <p>However, it is anticipated that other services recommended for funding will provide a satisfactory level of advice across social welfare, debt, employment and housing, together with targeted benefits advice to the most vulnerable. In addition, specialist legal advice funded from other sources, including Legal Services Commission is available to H&F residents.</p> <p>Competing priorities and demand on the budget has meant that other bids were viewed as stronger in terms of offering a broad, generic advice service, and therefore this application is not recommended for funding.</p>	<p>£0</p>
<p>H&F Credit Union</p>	<p>A community resource offering financial services for all sections of the community.</p>	<p>Bid details how service will actively work with partners in contact with residents in deprived areas. The demand for affordable borrowing is well made, access to</p>	<p>Yr 1 £31,500 Yr 2 £18,000 Total £49,500</p>

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This service is recommended for funding.		information to promote saving and encourage financial stability. Intended outcomes are SMART, are addressing identified and realised need and intended service fills a gap in existing services.	
H&F Volunteer Centre This service is not recommended for funding.	Initial assessment culminating in an Individual Learning Plan inc. IAG sessions, pre-employment workshops covering, vocational training to sustainable employment, or referral to other programmes, work experience & job search support.	Good network of training providers seems to be in place and strong link with the volunteering placement scheme of HFVC. Insufficient detail was provided regarding achievements, detail on employer engagement or employment opportunities secured in the past. Given the high level of applications received, other services were considered a higher priority for funding	£0
HAFAD (Economic Inclusion) This service is not recommended for funding.	Form Filling for Disability Living Allowance and Attendance Allowance, welfare benefits advice for people seeking benefits, appeals support – up to and including tribunal level; financial inclusion and money management workshops; referral of benefit recipients to Active Citizens enabling disabled people to volunteer, get involved with community activities and return to work	Case for employment support is not sufficiently robust, although stronger case was presented for form filling service. However the evidence base, smart targets and tangible outcomes were not sufficiently robust overall. The budget provided lacked clarity and it was not evident how growth in demand was predicted. Given the high level of competition for funding, other applications were given higher priority for funding.	£0

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<p>HAFAD (Agenda for Youth Transition)</p> <p>This service is not recommended for funding</p>	<p>The project will support young disabled people from 16yrs through their transition to adulthood, through support, training and skills development.</p>	<p>The project was not considered to meet the outcomes as set out in the service specification, but was referred for assessment under the Children, Young People & Families service area.</p>	<p>£0</p>
<p>HAFAD (Unlocking Potential)</p> <p>This service is not recommended for funding.</p>	<p>Work with employers to create vacancies for disabled people.</p>	<p>Application seeks support for initiatives to increase job opportunities for disabled residents; ring-fenced posts, trials and apprenticeship schemes. The business case for persuading employers to set aside jobs is not well defined. Given the high level of applications received, other services were considered a higher priority for funding</p>	<p>£0</p>
<p>Iranian Association</p> <p>This service is not recommended for funding.</p>	<p>2 20-week ITQ Level 2 courses. one-to-one advice, workshops to improve the trainees' employability skills, work placements/volunteering, apprenticeship and mentoring opportunities.</p>	<p>Lacking in ambition, considering the length of the project and amount of funding applied for, and the applications lacks robust information on partnership working, research undertaken and evaluating progress of beneficiaries after the project ends. Given the high level of applications received, other services were considered a higher priority for funding.</p>	<p>£0</p>

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<p>Notting Hill Housing Trust (H&F In 2 Work) This service is not recommended for funding.</p>	<p>Expand employment support services to all workless residents of the borough - particularly help for hard-to-reach communities and assist people into education, training or employment, plus refer to other services for legal advice and finance debt advice.</p>	<p>The outcomes in relation to IAG and signposting are not sufficiently robust and the beneficiary numbers appear low in relation to the costs. Given the high level of applications received, other services were considered a higher priority for funding.</p>	<p>£0</p>
<p>St Paul's Centre (Spear) This service is recommended for funding.</p>	<p>A six week pre-employment training programme for 16-24 year NEETs addressing the most common causes of underachievement with progression in education, employment or training.</p>	<p>Clear case for the service made and its benefits in tackling the needs outlined -high success rate makes a strong business case for funding this project, Costs are significant and these need to be fully considered not just in terms of benefit to users but in the context of the total budget available Project is an expansion of the current successful model and will specifically increase the number of beneficiaries by providing outreach services in the deprived areas in the north of the borough</p>	<p>Yr 1 £149,500 Yr 2 £149,500 Total £299,000</p>
<p>Tendis Ltd (Workladder) This service is recommended for funding.</p>	<p>Co-located with Advice and Employment Shepherds Bush to offer employability support with advice services including LBHF and HFCAB ensuring that complementary support to address barriers to sustainable employment.</p>	<p>The project will provide outreach services into the most deprived areas of the borough, particularly in the north of the borough such as the White City Estate and the Edward Woods Estate. Has good links to other complementary service providers through current co-location model with SBAC. The proposal would have benefited from being combined with the Workzone website proposal below as it is felt that Workladder is the 'delivery' of services that are contained within the web portal, and is therefore</p>	<p>Yr 1 £180,000 Yr 2 £180,000 Total £360,000</p>

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		<p>considered that it should be an integral part of this proposal.</p> <p>Recommended for funding though officers are recommended to set a maximum funding level below the amount requested for both applications - to which Tendis submits a revised budget and service plan to the satisfaction of members or DCSD.</p>	
<p>Tendis Ltd. (Workzone, Virtual Hub)</p> <p>This service is not recommended for funding.</p>	<p>workzoneonline.co.uk provides a bespoke, responsive, web based mechanism which ensures access to Westfield employment, training and complementary opportunities for residents and a highly effective recruitment resource for employers.</p>	<p>Application offered an innovative and creative approach to traditional employment support activities but difficult to assess as stand alone application, rather than as a key service in the main Tendis bid. Given the high level of applications received, other services were considered a higher priority for funding.</p>	<p>£0</p>
<p>Third Age Foundation</p> <p>This service is recommended for funding.</p>	<p>Age-specific training of accredited learning/training progressing into OCR accredited ICT Skills for Life/New CLAIT (Level 1)/CLAIT PLUS (Level 2) qualifications, IAG and Personal Development programmes</p>	<p>Good detail on need, beneficiaries and service benefits Needs to cultivate partnerships with other specialist employment/training providers in order to provide a full service to the 40+ age group. Likely to deliver accredited training successfully but this needs to lead to job opportunities in order to better meet the specification. Recommended to receive 3SIF support at a reduced level that requested for which the Third Age Foundation submits a revised budget and service plan to the satisfaction of the DCSD.</p>	<p>.</p> <p>Yr 1 £30,000 Yr 2 £30,000 Total £60,000</p>

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<p>Threshold Centre Ltd.</p> <p>This service is not recommended for funding.</p>	<p>Housing advice service for residents who are single/in households without dependent children and who are homeless/in housing need.</p>	<p>Application provides good detail on housing advice offer but does not set out sufficient or robust case for integrated employment support, financial inclusion advice and legal advice services. Whilst it is acknowledged that Threshold's advice service gives additionality to the Council's Housing Option's service, the application does not demonstrate well how it fits with the service specification. Other applicants better demonstrated service offers in line with the spec requirement and were prioritised above this bid.</p>	<p>£0</p>
<p>Upper Room</p> <p>This service is not recommended for funding.</p>	<p>Specialist Employment Support Service for migrant workers from Central & Eastern Europe.</p>	<p>The application does not set out clearly job outcomes and employment support services. The application was therefore difficult to assess against the specification as a result. For this reason, and in light of the high competition for funding, other service offers were awarded higher priority.</p>	<p>£0</p>
<p>Urban Partnership Group (Skilled, Ready, Work-Steady)</p> <p>This service is not recommended for funding.</p>	<p>Integrated programme of pre and post-employment support to disadvantaged LBHF residents; focussing on areas of high deprivation</p>	<p>Well charted success over 10 years and proven model of delivery based on cross-London best practice. However further detail needed on partnership working with complementary service providers, how stated outputs will be delivered and employer engagement.</p> <p>Lack of clear evidence that this approach will deliver tangible results or how it will make use of other co-ordination systems already in place in the borough. Given the high level of applications received, other services were considered a higher priority for funding.</p>	<p>£0</p>

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<p>West & Northwest London Vietnamese Assoc</p> <p>This service is not recommended for funding.</p>	<p>2 accredited ESOL classes for 2hr a day 2 days a week lasting a total of 35 weeks, help and advice on finding employment and accessing training for Vietnamese and Chinese adults who are long term unemployed, in receipt of welfare benefits and/or are on low income</p>	<p>The low number of beneficiaries would have limited impact on the economic wellbeing of the borough. Given the high level of applications received, other services were considered a higher priority for funding.</p>	<p>£0</p>