

**Cheltenham Borough Council**  
**Social and Community Overview and Scrutiny Committee**  
**24th June 2002**  
**Funding of External Organisations**  
**Report of the Economic Development and Regeneration**  
**Manager**

**1. Summary and recommendation**

- 1.1 The Chair of the Social and Community Overview and Scrutiny Committee has asked for this committee to assist the council in taking forward the recommendations of the best value review into the funding for external bodies, which was approved by cabinet on 28<sup>th</sup> May.
- 1.2 The committee would take on the responsibility for carrying out a review of all council funded voluntary sector organisations that have a social and community focus.
- 1.3 To start the process, the attached terms of reference have been prepared.
- 1.4 I therefore recommend that:**
- 1.4.1 The committee approves the attached terms of reference as a basis for carrying out the review**
- 1.4.2 The committee considers whether;**
- **to invite the organisations to make individual presentations to the full committee, and determine the timescale for doing so**
  - **to establish a working group, to include appropriate officers, to take forward the review**

**2. Implications**

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| 2.1 | <b>Financial</b>  | The review will assist the council in the allocation of funding for 2003/04 onwards  |
| 2.2 | <b>Legal</b>  | None identified  |
| 2.3 | <b>Personnel</b>  | None identified  |
| 2.4 | <b>Equal opportunities, social justice and anti-poverty</b> | Funding given to the 10 identified organisations supports the work of the council in promoting equal opportunities and social justice. |
| 2.5 | <b>Environmental</b>  | None identified  |

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**Background Papers**

“best value review of the funding of external bodies” - report to cabinet on 28<sup>th</sup> May 2002

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