

**Application for rent discount under the council's property lettings and disposals to the third sector, voluntary and community groups policy**

Assessment carried out on 16 February 2015 by:

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<b>Name of Organisation:</b>	Broadlands Pre-School Centre
<b>Registered Charity?</b>	Yes 1055656
<b>Does the organisation have a paying membership?</b>	No
<b>Name /address of property</b>	Moorend Grove Cheltenham Gloucestershire GL53 0EY

<b>Based on their Business Plan, what contribution does this organisation make to the Council's Corporate Strategy and/or Cheltenham's Sustainable Community Strategy?</b>	<b>Which objectives does the Organisation significantly contribute towards?  (Tick and give reasons where appropriate)</b>	<b>Does the business plan show how these activities are sustainable?</b>	<b>% subsidy awarded</b>
		<b>Yes</b>	
Objective 1: Enhancing & protecting our environment (includes investing in environmental quality, investing in travel and transport and promoting sustainable living)	No, although there was a submission about the pre-schools contribution to the environment, the panel were not convinced that this makes a direct contribution.	N/A	0
Objective 2: Strengthening our economy	Yes, the Pre-School employs 13 people and enables parents to work whilst their children are being cared for	Yes, the budget commentary for 2014-15, show that the organisation will run at break-even and that the organisation has reserves of approx. £58k so can sustain its activities.	20
Objective 3: Strengthening our communities (includes promoting community safety, promoting housing choice, building healthier communities and supporting older people)	Yes, the Pre-School makes a direct contribution to local community life; the hall is available for hire, there is a parent –led management committee and there are regular community events.	As above	20
Objective 4: Enhancing the provision of arts and culture	No, although there was a submission about the pre-schools contribution to the provision of arts and culture, the panel were not convinced that this makes a direct contribution.	N/A	0
Objective 5: A focus on children and young people i.e. where One or all of the following outcomes for	Yes, through all of their activities, the Pre-School makes a direct contribution to positive outcomes for	As above	20

children and young people are met: -Be healthy -Stay safe -Enjoy & Achieve -Making a positive contribution - Achieving economic well-being	children and young people.		
<b>Sub-total</b>			<b>60%</b>

**As agreed by the Cabinet in July 2010, a further 20% discount is available to any charity renting council property = 80% in total**

<b>State Aid avoidance checklist:</b>	
<b>Is the proposed tenant a not for profit organisation?</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Is the use of the building for a community purpose?</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Are the activities carried out by the organisation of local interest only?</b>	<b>Yes</b>

**Recommendation:**

**The panel recommends that Cabinet offer an 80% rental discount off the market rent to Broadlands Pre-School Centre.**