Appendix 4

Housing & Property Services- Housing Options

Grants

Grant no: 2006

Grant: The Roberts Centre

Request: £27,814 (award 13/14 £24,984)
Purpose: Supported Housing Scheme Sublets

The Supported Housing Scheme is a partnership service with Portsmouth City Council, which provides support to vulnerable families, who have a history of failed tenancies, and single teenage parents

The aim of the scheme is to reduce the risk of future homelessness and family breakdown by offering intensive support, challenging behaviour patterns and life skills training. The Roberts Centre manage the latter stage of the scheme* where families are moved into self-contained properties and supported until they are able to take on the tenancy independently.

This service helps to ensure that everyone has somewhere to live and supports vulnerable people to live safely and independently.

Previous grant requests covered the funding of the work undertaken with families during the assessment period prior to moving into a sublet which previously could not be met by the normal funding streams for supported housing schemes i.e. rental income & supporting people grant.

This service is in the process of being retendered and in future this Work and the associated funding will be included in the new contract, which is due to commence at the end of July 2014.

There will be no change to service provision.

This grant request covers the period prior to the new contract being in place.

The Roberts Centre is aware that future funding for this service will be incorporated into the new contract.

Recommendation: £2,318.00

Total of Grants £2,318.00