

REPORT TO: Cabinet

MEETING DATE: 8 September 2015

BY: Director of Health and Social Care Partnership

SUBJECT: Adult Wellbeing – Payments to Third Sector Agencies
(Voluntary Sector Grants)

1 PURPOSE

- 1.1 To inform and seek approval from Members of the proposed amendments to the 2015-16 payments to third sector agencies agreed on the 10th March 2015.

2 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 Members are asked to:
- i. Note and approve the proposed reduction in payments to two third sector agencies for 2015-16
 - ii. To note and approve three awards not reported in March 2015.

3 BACKGROUND

- 3.1 Under Section 10 of the Social Work (Scotland) Act 1968, East Lothian Council awards grants to voluntary sector organisations to support the achievement of positive outcomes for adults who need social care support in East Lothian.
- 3.2 As noted in the Cabinet report presented on the 10th of March 2015, Adult Wellbeing works closely with third sector agencies to ensure the effective deployment of resources. It is through this ongoing work that efficiencies to the 2015-16 payments have been identified as outlined below:
- 3.2.1 **Capability Scotland** provides day services in Edinburgh for individuals with complex physical disabilities. Capability Scotland have indicated that they will be re-provisioning their services and exploration of the

current use of their grant award has identified a saving of £40,564.24. The funding change has been agreed by the provider. It is proposed that the reduction to the award to Capability Scotland be agreed and any overpayment made so far will be recovered in future quarterly payments.

3.3 There are also some further adjustments which are required for payments for 2015-16 as outlined in the appendix. It is recommended that these proposed amendments are agreed.

3.3.1 **East Lothian Community Care Forum** received an award of £59,230 for 2015-16. It appears that there was an error made in the reporting of this award and the correct amount noted should have been £53,154 as previously agreed with the provider. The difference noted relates to the provider moving premises.

3.4 There are three organisations which were not noted in the Cabinet report presented on the 10th of March 2015 for which an award is recommended for approval. It is asked that the Members' agree to the awards. These are outlined in the appendix.

4 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

4.1 There are no immediate policy implications arising from this report.

5 EQUALITIES IMPACT ASSESSMENT

5.1 This report is not applicable to the well being of equalities groups and Equality Impact Assessment is not required.

6 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

6.1 Financial – This report pertains to funding for third sector organisations for 2015-16. It outlines a number of efficiencies achieved in this budget stream which totals £15,947.24.

6.2 Personnel - None.

6.3 Other – None.

7 BACKGROUND PAPERS

7.1 Cabinet Report on Adult Wellbeing – Payments to Third Sector Agencies Dated 10 March 2015

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APPENDIX 1**SECTION 10 PAYMENTS**

Organisation	Recommended Award	Previous Award	Saving
Capability Scotland	£85,637.76	£126,202	£40,564
East Lothian Community Care Forum	£53,154	£59,230	£6,076
East Lothian Young Carers	£10,693		
Pink Ladies First	£5,000		
Mid and East Lothian Women's Aid	£15,000		
TOTAL	£169,484.76	£185,432	£15,947.24