



NORTH HERTFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

AREA COMMITTEE DEVELOPMENT GRANT APPROVAL FORM

1. Committee: Baldock Area Committee	2. Date: 8 Sep 2014
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3. Summary of application: **Funding support towards the purchase of a new van**

Name of organisation: **NHCVS Furniture Link** Sum requested: **£363**

Total project cost: **£14,034**

Brief details:

Furniture Link are seeking funding of £363 from the Baldock & District Committee towards the provision of a good quality second hand van. Furniture Link is a fully independent project of North Herts Centre for Voluntary Services. The vehicle will replace the existing van which is no longer reliable and is in a poor state of repair. This is needed to collect and deliver the furniture

Matched / linked funding: **£4,234** Funder: **NHCVS**

Matched /linked funding: **£2,900** Funder: **HCC Locality Budget**
 or DRR
 Funding in place:

Comments from Development Officer:

Furniture Link is requesting £2,900 from NHDC. As the project covers the whole of the district each area committee is being asked for a contribution. Approximately 50% of the users of the service are based in Letchworth, therefore a contribution of £1,450 is being requested from within the Letchworth Committee budget. The remaining 50% is being split a further 4 ways between Hitchin, Baldock and District, Royston and District and Southern Rural Committees, who will be asked to contribute £363 each. The Furniture Link service enables residents on low income the opportunity to purchase quality furniture at an affordable price. This service also helps to reduce waste landfill by the re-use of furniture. This application is criteria compliant and the officer recommendation is that the full amount of £363 is awarded.

The Community Development Officer has examined this application against the Authority's Area Grants Policy, the organisation's accounts and grant history, and considers it an eligible application to put before the Committee.

Amount recommended: **£363**

4. Comments from Ward Members:

I support / do not support this application

Name: Signed: Date:

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