



**NORTH HERTFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL**

**AREA COMMITTEE DEVELOPMENT GRANT APPROVAL FORM**

1. Committee: **Hitchin Area Committee**

2. Date: **4 Mar 2014**

3. Summary of application: **Creative Media Package**

Name of organisation: **Sound Base Studios**

Sum requested: **£1,250**

Total project cost: **£4,000**

Brief details:

**Sound Base Studios Trust is a not for profit Company Limited by Guarantee. The Trust's aim is to engage with and educate young people through creative media. The funding they are requesting would enable them to provide young people access to their facilities and resources free of charge. They would like to provide free educational and engagement work with young people in the community, including hard to reach young people. Sound Base have the resources and equipment available as well as experienced staff in studio and educational environments. It is proposed that the sessions will run from March 24th to May 30th 2014 in the evenings and school holidays. Young people will be able to explore a range of artistic interests and talents such as vocal, instruments, rappers, DJs, film makers etc. The sessions will also seek to improve skills such as confidence, teamwork and punctuality, all contributing towards their self development. Match funding for the project will be sourced from the Social Investment Company owned by Sound Base which runs Bliss Music Ltd.**

Matched / linked funding: **£2,750**

Funder:

Matched /linked funding : **£0**  
or DRR

Funder:

Comments from Development Officer:

**Sound Base have a good track record working with hard to reach young people through creative studies. They engage with many young people in the area who would like to explore their artistic talents. However, it is almost virtually impossible to find affordable places for young people to record their music or to learn the processes behind recording music with their friends or band members. This funding will enable Sound Base to do this. It will be advertised through schools, social media and flyers and posters.**

**This organisation receives Mandatory Rate Relief.**

**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: **£1,250**

4. Comments from Ward Members:

I support / do not support this application

Name: .....

Signed:

Date:

I support / do not support this application

Name: .....

Signed:

Date: