



NORTH HERTFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

AREA COMMITTEE DEVELOPMENT GRANT APPROVAL FORM

1. Committee: **Royston Area Committee**2. Date: **30/11/2015**3. Summary of application: **Funding support to assist with costs of Brighten the Blues project**Name of organisation: **Home Start Royston & South Cambs.**Sum requested: **£4,677**Total project cost: **£87,304**

Brief details:

Home-Start Royston & South Cambridgeshire is seeking funding support from the Royston & District Area Committee to assist with the costs for providing the Brighten the Blues project in Royston & surrounding areas.

This scheme comprises of an early intervention home visiting service supporting local families with children under 9 years of age in combating poor mental health issues.

Funding would assist with home visiting costs of volunteers, co-ordinating costs of the project and publicity costs.

Matched / linked funding: **£52,327**Funder: **Other funding streams and fundraising**Matched /linked funding : **£0**
or DRR

Funder:

Matched / linked funding: **£0**

Funder:

Comments from Development Officer:

Home-Start Royston & South Cambridgeshire is a registered charity which has been operating since 2004.

It is made up of 10 Committee members, 5 paid staff (part time) and 34 volunteers.

The group is seeking £4,677. This funding would support 3 families in Royston for a year. The average cost for support per family per year is £1,559.

The application is criteria compliant. Members may fund up to 70% of the project cost. The applicant is seeking £4677. The group has been successful in securing substantial match funding.

The Committee has £6145 remaining in its base budget for 2016/17 and has one further meeting in March 2017

The officer recommendation is an award of £1250.

This organisation receives no Rate Support or other formal benefits from NHDC.

In the last five years, this organisation has received the following awards:

25/07/2012 support for Royston sessions, £1,000

06/03/2013 support for Healthy Eating programme, £304

05/03/2014 updating and replacing family support play equipment, £250

04/03/2015 supporting families in stress or crisis, £1,000

Total awards: £2,554.