

The Grants Committee would ask the Leaders Committee to note that:

There is majority support for a pan-London programme based on agreed principles and that the evidence mostly shows that the current four year programme (2013 to 2017) is delivering for all Londoners, within the limits of the £10m p.a. programme. It is important to note that for specialist services, including services for those for groups within equalities protected characteristics, that these can best be organised at a London level. For the two years 2013-2015, headline evidence of outcomes shows that 198,000 new interventions helped Londoners against our priorities.

Having considered the performance of the 2013/17 grants programme to date and the results of the recent consultation, Grants Committee recommends to Leaders Committee:

- 1. There is a strong case for continuing a grants programme focused on combatting sexual and domestic violence and on poverty through worklessness (accessing ESF match funding) for the 2017/21 period;*
 - 2. There may be a case for continuing a programme focused on homelessness provided that Grants and Leaders Committee can be given stronger evidence of where that homelessness currently comes from across London and also that going forward commissions can address the differing priorities between inner and outer London;*
 - 3. While not without merit, given current financial constraints, there is unlikely to be a strong enough case for continuing a programme on capacity building in the voluntary sector; and*
 - 4. Going forward, boroughs need to be assured that:*
 - i. i: Robust, regular and transparent monitoring and reporting of the activities of the Grants Programme continues so that outcomes benefiting their residents can be evidenced;*
 - ii. ii: That service providers are working in partnership with borough third sector organisations;*
 - iii. iii: That commissioned outcomes can evidence clear and transparent value for money;*
 - and*
 - iv: London Councils should facilitate a stronger network of officer relationships between itself, senior Borough officers and third sector providers and umbrella organisations in each borough to ensure continuing Pan-London ownership of the whole Grants Programme.*
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