

## Recognised TRA funding



### Introduction

MHP has set out in the Resident Involvement Service Agreement [*Jan 10 presently the Recognition Criteria for TRA's*] when it will recognise a Tenant and Resident Association. When a group has been recognised we agree to offer it support both through officer time and financially. This will ensure that the group can make decisions on its own priorities within the community it serves.

### Annual funding

Funding for a recognised group will need to be available for newsletters, flyers, hall hire, refreshments and admin costs (this list is not exhaustive). This will be covered by an annual grant to every recognised group in MHP.

- All recognised groups will receive a minimum of £75 per financial year

### Top up funding and community grants

The annual funding may not fulfil all the obligations and desires of the recognised group and further money may be required. This further funding, and amount up to £200, will be agreed by an appropriate body of the landlord e.g. the NRG, RRP etc. The group will put the request for funding in writing with assistance from appropriate staff.

- Where the recognised group has appropriately used all of its funding before the end of the financial year then they may apply for a further grant of up to £200 to continue to represent their community
- Where the group would like to do a project for their community then a grant of up to £200 may also be applied for. The criteria for this community grant is:
  - In what way will the project respond to the specific need of customers and local people?
  - How will it, as a resident involvement activity, change the quality of life of the community and get more customers involved?

### Best Practice

The Constitution of the group sets out how the group shall keep records of its expenditure and how this will be reported back to MHP.