

**NEW APPLICATION FOR RATE RELIEF UNDER SECTIONS 43 AND 47 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT
FINANCE ACT 1988 FOR THE FINANCIAL YEARS 2006/07**

Applicant's Name: Chase Council for Voluntary Services **Account Ref:** 101100812

Property Address: Unit 1 Ranton Park, Martindale, Staffs, WS11 2XN

Registered Charity: Yes – 1113065

Occupation Date: 6 October 2006 **NEW APPLICATION**

Relief Claimed: Mandatory and Discretionary **Period:** 6/10/06 – 31/3/07

Use of Property: Warehouse and premises for storage and minor repairs/refurbishment of furniture and also office accommodation for staff and volunteers.

Main Objectives: To promote any charitable purpose for the benefit of the community and, in particular, the advancement of education, the protection of health and the relief of poverty, distress and sickness.

Financial Situation: As at 31 March 2005	£	
	Surplus (Deficit)	25,899.00
	Reserves	303,187.00

Relief Granted (at other premises):	Mandatory	-	80%
	Discretionary	-	10%

Rates Payable:	2006/07
	£
Full charge	1,385.83
Less Mandatory Relief (80%)	<u>1,108.66</u>
Discretionary consideration	277.17
Less 10% if granted	
NDR Pool (25%):	34.65
General Fund (75%):	<u>103.94</u>
Rates payable:	£ <u>138.58</u>

Supporting Information:

Chase CVS is representative of all sections of the community including young people, the elderly, disabled, mental health service users and carers. The principle source of income is from 'Big Lottery' Grant Aid and charges levied. They provide practical services to the voluntary sector together with information and advice. Partnerships with statutory bodies are promoted by creating consultation forums. Provision is also made for the representation of the voluntary sector with the statutory sector and assistance is given to groups to help them develop within the Cannock Chase district or, if a need is identified, to help towards the creation of new services.

At Unit 1 Ranton Park they are using the warehouse for storage of items as part of their 'Home Comforts Furniture Re-Use Project' – the warehouse unit is not open to the general community. The project receives donations of furniture, household goods and small electrical items for distribution to individuals and families in the Cannock Chase area who are suffering disadvantage such as fleeing domestic violence, leaving care, in crisis or on a low income. Some minor repairs and refurbishment are also carried out at the unit.

Comments:

Nil.