APPENDIX 2 - ITEMS IDENTIFIED IN MEDIUM TERM SERVICE AND FINANCIAL PLANNING PROCESS WHICH MAY HAVE POTENTIAL IMPACTS ON VOLUNTARY AND COMMUNITY SECTOR

A. Extracts from MTSRP documents

MTSRP	12-13 Saving £000	How to be achieved	Impacts to service delivery	Additional Info
ADULT SOCIAL CARE & HOUSING, PEOPLE & COMMUNITIES	100	Supporting People & Communities funded services.	To date efficiency savings have been delivered without a significant loss of service to any particular user group.	In June 2010, a project to reduce spend on the Supporting People & Communities funded programme began in order to deliver MTSRP targets. A significant proportion of savings have been achieved through large scale re-modelling/ retendering of contracts to reduce the number of contract holders and associated management costs. A small amount of de-commissioning of non-strategically relevant services has also taken place. Additional savings have been achieved through a process of negotiations across the programme. West of England and national benchmarking information informed these negotiations.
SERVICE DELIVERY	34	Reduce arts commissioning and grants	Will reduce support to voluntary sector	, and the second
SERVICE	22	Grant contributions		This saving has been agreed by

DELIVERY		for Partnerships / Funded organisations		working closely with our partners and does not put the partnerships at risk.
RESOURCES	60	Commissioning savings/Reductions in Grants to Voluntary Bodies (SPA saving)	This saving will be realised through a 'smart commissioning' process which will focus on evidenced need, the Council priorities and the changing policy context including the 'Big Society'. The aim will also be to reduce duplication and use new, more flexible approaches to commissioning, such as framework contracts.	
RESOURCES	95	Community Safety	This is a reduction in the Council's Community Safety staffing and commissioning budget.	The Resources Policy Development and Scrutiny Panel at its November meeting requested further information to be brought to its January meeting on this

B. The Community Empowerment Fund.

This comprises:

- The £1m "Main Fund" designed to boost community capacity. A report to January Cabinet sets out a process for delivering this aspect of the fund.
- A two-year £300,000 "small grants" fund. 33 awards have been made so far totalling £136,328.

- The Youth Enablement Fund (£120,000). This enables voluntary sector groups to apply for funding to provide positive activities for young people, through the development and/or delivery of youth provision in Bath & North East Somerset, in line with the Localism agenda. 22 groups have received funding for a total of 24 projects, and a total of £89,539 has been either spent or allocated to date. Further information can be found at Youth Enablement Fund
- The Ward Councillors' Initiative (£130,000). In 2011/12 this provides a sum of £2,000 to each Ward Councillor to enable them to respond quickly to local community needs where a small amount of financial support can make a big difference. Each Ward Councillor will be allocated £3,000 for 2012-13 and 2013-14. There will be no allocation for 2014-15.
- A fund designed to help disadvantaged communities, regeneration and localism projects (£336,000).