Appendix 4: Applications received under the Fit to Learn theme

Waterbeach Toddler Play Group Although the toddler play group is geared towards readying children for the school setting, the proposal does not highlight the particular aspects of development that are the focus of this theme, or suggest that there is clear evidence that the client group needs an intervention above and beyond a standard preschool setting.

It is clear the Toddler Play Group provide a valued service, but the lack of alignment with eligible activities mean that no recommendation can be made to fund this proposal. **Application scored 41/100**

Funding requested FY1 FY2 FY3 Total £4,000 £4,000 £4,000 £12,000

Home-Start Royston & South Cambridgeshire propose the rolling out of a nationally successful pilot programme, known as Big Hopes Big Future in South Cambridgeshire. The proposal aims to tackle problems of attainment at a family level and can bring wider benefits to the family as well as to the child. The programme will deliver to 10 families, with up to 30 children benefitting, per annmu, with support sustained across a year. The proposal is in good alignment with the eligible acitivities and well evidence. The recommendation is to fund this proposal at the level requested. **Application scored 83/100**

Funding requested FY1 FY2 FY3 Total £4,000 £4,000 £4,000 £12,000

Cambourne Church proposes a collaboration with the Bassingbourn-Melbourn-Cambourne Children Centres Group to deliver a Ready Steady Go school readiness programme to children identified as most in need of the intervention. It would provide a six week programme delivered in Cambourne and Melbourn Children's Centres at the end of each school term and support 100 children per annum. Although this application scored highly in some areas, with the ingredients of a good programme evident, some elements of the proposal were not fully worked up, meaning the application scored 69/100. However, if capacity existed elsewhere in the Service Support Grant programme, the recommendation would be to fund the project at the level requested.

Funding requested FY1 FY2 FY3 Total £4,000 £4,000 £12,000