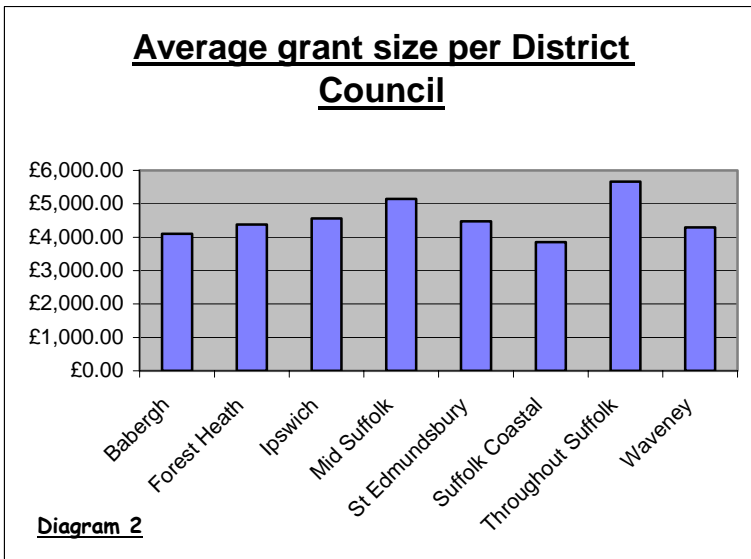
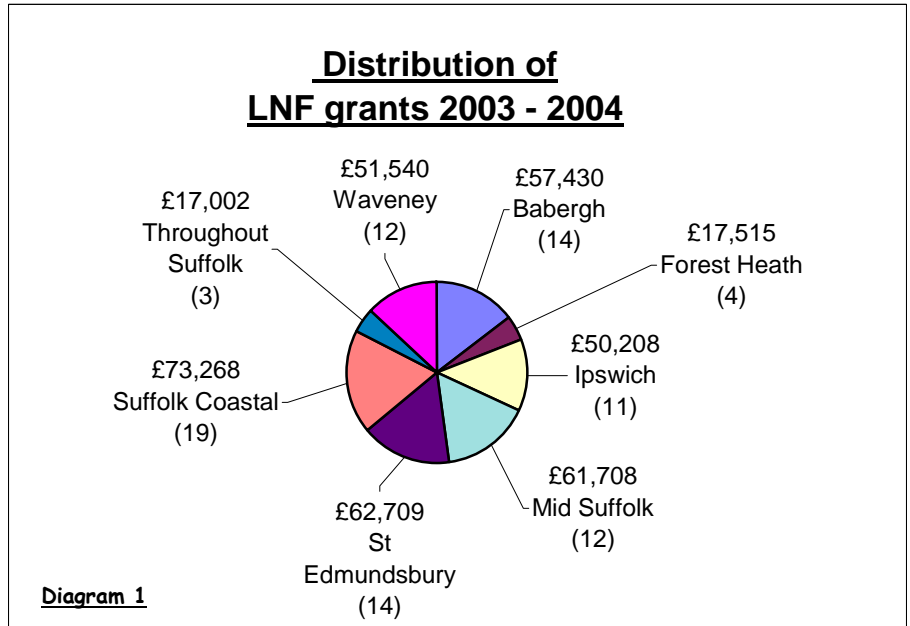


During the financial year of 2003 - 2004 LNF grants totalling £391, 380 were awarded to 89 community and voluntary groups across Suffolk.

Diagram 1 shows how much money was awarded to groups in each of the District Councils. Three groups were funded to deliver their services across the whole of Suffolk. The figure in brackets shows the total number of groups funded.



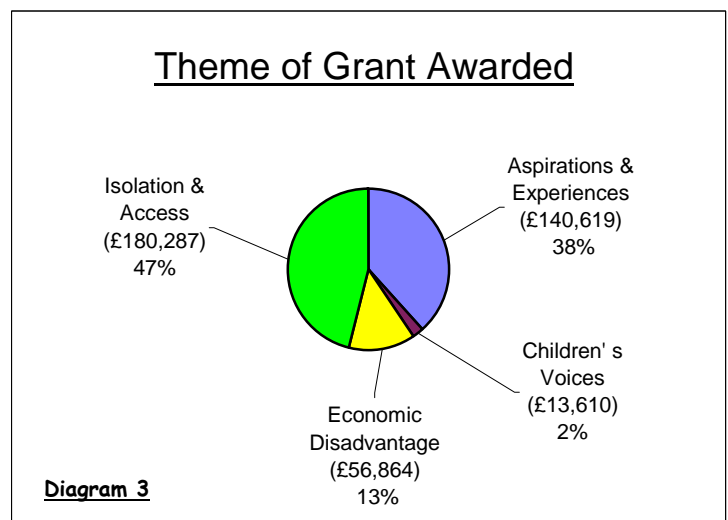
The average grant size awarded for the year was £4398. The chart in **diagram 2** shows the average grant size in each District Council

The largest number of grants was awarded to groups in Suffolk Coastal although the average grant size here was the lowest at just £3856 with Mid Suffolk being the District Council with the highest average of £5142.

Due to the low level of applications received from Forest Heath only 4 groups were funded, with an average grant size being £4379.

Diagram 3 shows the four themes under which LNF grants can be awarded. The national picture shows the majority of grants are awarded under the theme of 'Aspirations and Experiences'.

In Suffolk, probably because of the rural nature of the county, almost 50% of all applications were awarded under the theme of 'Isolation and Access'.



Types of Activities Funded 2003 - 2004

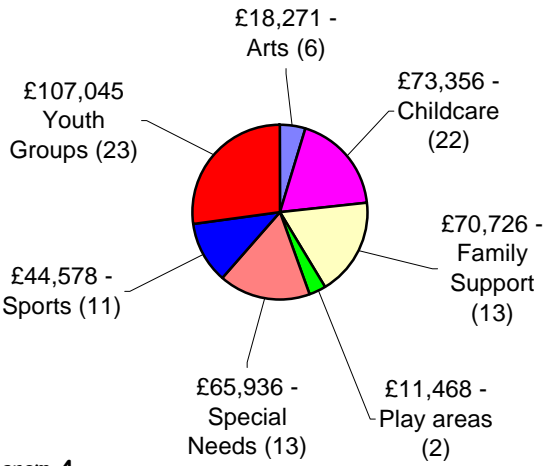


Diagram 4

The types of activities funded are shown in **diagram 4**.

Many applications would have aspects that would fit into more than one of the chosen categories, but the chart shows the dominant issue or activity type.

Although a similar number of youth groups received funding as childcare groups there is a significant difference in the amount of money awarded. The reason for this is probably due to the fact that the set up costs for a parent and toddler group are less than that of a youth group. Some youth groups have found it necessary to employ staff due to problems with recruiting volunteers and this is a significant expenditure in the budget.

The average grants per activity can be seen in **Diagram 5**.
The following are examples of the types of groups and activities under each heading:-

Arts	Traditional & formation Dance; Music; Theatre
Childcare	Toddler Groups; Playgroups; Out Of School Clubs;
Family Support	Mentoring Schemes; Credit Unions; Support groups with a common area of interest; BME Support Groups; Carers Groups; Toy Library;
Play Areas	Providing out door play equipment in 2 very rural areas
Special Needs	Sports activities; After School Clubs; Drop-In sessions; Awareness & Support groups;
Sports	Sailing; Basketball; Cricket; Swimming; Fitness; Camping
Youth Clubs	Development of new groups; General & Specialist Equipment; Summer Activity Programmes; Youth Shelters;

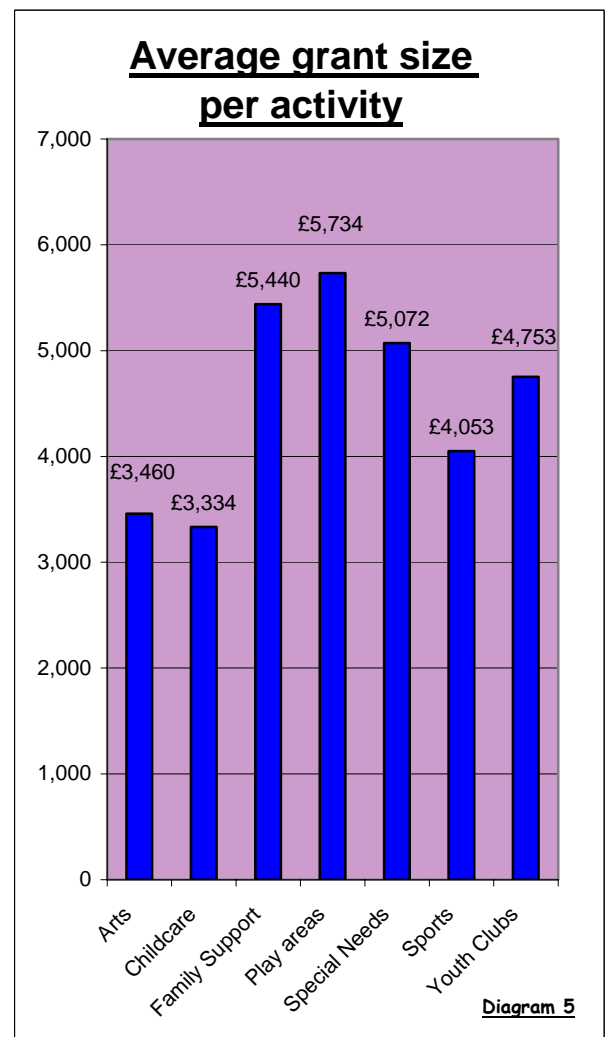


Diagram 5

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