

## NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE COUNCIL

**CUSTOMER SERVICES, SPORT & LEISURE  
ASSET MANAGEMENT, CULTURE & HOUSING,  
AND  
PEOPLE  
CABINET MEMBERS**

### COMMUNITY GRANT FUND APPLICATIONS

#### 1. OBJECT AND KEY POINTS IN THIS REPORT

- 1.1 To consider applications received by the council for financial assistance via the Community Grant Fund.
- 1.2 The key point of the report is as follows.
  - We have received 14 applications for community grant aid. These need considering against the scheme criteria and available funds.

#### 2. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

##### 2.1 The Community Grant Fund supports:

- Grants to Individuals  
The scheme helps talented individuals resident in North Lincolnshire who are able to demonstrate excellence in sport, art or culture. The maximum grant is £500 towards travel and training costs and for sports related applications, free off peak access to fitness centres and swimming pools in council run facilities. Only those sports recognised by Sport England are eligible.
- Community Revenue Grant Programme  
This scheme helps support the revenue costs of community groups.
- Community Capital Grant Programme  
This scheme helps community sport, arts or heritage capital projects. The most we will grant is normally £15,000. Groups can apply for one grant of up to £30,000 in any five-year period if the total cost of the project is more than £60,000.

### **3. OPTIONS FOR CONSIDERATION**

3.1 A summary of the applications received is set out in Appendix One.

3.2 The options available to the Cabinet Members are as follows.

- approving the applications as submitted;
- refuse support; or
- offer grant support at a reduced level.

### **4. ANALYSIS OF OPTIONS**

4.1 The applications received meet the criteria for grant funding up to the levels shown in the appendix.

4.2 Rejecting an application or offering grant support at a reduced level could mean that the project will not progress.

### **5. RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS (FINANCIAL, STAFFING, PROPERTY, IT)**

#### **5.1 Financial**

5.1.1 The council has approved a revenue budget of £148,000 for the Community Grant Fund in 2014/15. To date, a total of £87,535 has been committed. This leaves £60,465 to allocate. The total amount required to support the applications covered by this report to the levels requested is £10,390.

5.1.2 The council has approved a revenue budget for 2014/15 of £75,000 for grants to community projects which deliver public health outcomes. To date, a total of £18,290 has been committed. This leaves £56,710 to allocate. The total amount required to support the applications covered by this report to the levels requested is £4,805.

5.1.3 The council has approved a capital budget of £300,000 for the Community Grant Fund in 2014/15. There is a proposal to increase this budget by £200,000 which is currently undergoing the relevant processes. To date, a total of £314,234.80 has been committed. The total amount required to support the applications covered by this report to the levels requested is £47,460.

#### **5.2 Staffing, Property and IT**

5.2.1 There are no staffing, property or IT related implications to consider.

## **6. OUTCOMES OF INTEGRATED IMPACT ASSESSMENT (IF APPLICABLE)**

- 6.1 Enabling individuals and communities across North Lincolnshire to become involved in sports, art, culture and heritage projects is an excellent way to encourage participation from a wide and diverse range of social, ethnic and cultural backgrounds in support of our diversity aims.
- 6.2 Getting more people to take part in active recreation can have a positive impact towards reducing crime and anti-social behaviour.
- 6.3 There are no other implications to consider.

## **7. OUTCOMES OF CONSULTATION AND CONFLICTS OF INTERESTS DECLARED**

- 7.1 Participating in sport at a national level and above is expensive. Sports governing bodies and applicants have consistently told us they need help with costs.
- 7.2 Funding community projects can often be difficult for community groups. Community organisations have told us that they need the Council's support to help get other grants for their projects.

## **8. RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 8.1 That the Cabinet Members approve the recommended level of revenue community grant support set out in the table at Appendix One.
- 8.2 Applications for capital grants be approved on a provisional basis with formal approval being subject to the proposed additional £200k capital allocation being made available in the September budget review to be considered by Cabinet on 30 September 2014.

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### **Background Papers used in the preparation of this report**

Community Grant Aid – Application packs

## Community Grant Aid – September 2014

## Application for Community Grant – Individual (Public Health Funding)

Individual	Scheme	Total cost	Amount requested	Added Value: other funds	Comments	Contribution to council priorities	Contribution to statutory duties	Geographical	Community support
Elliott Spindley	British Ten Pin Bowling (BTPB) Squad	£500 + training costs	£500	Own funds only	Elliott has been selected to England for Ten Pin Bowling. Expected to complete in European Championships. <b>£500 grant recommended plus off peak gym &amp; swim package</b>	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Town	N/a
Richard Traviss	World Senior European Badminton Championships	£770	£500	Own funds only	Richard has qualified for the European Senior Badminton Championships being held in Portugal. <b>£500 grant recommended plus off peak gym &amp; swim package</b>	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Ridge	N/a

## Application for Community Grant – Children &amp; Young People Focus

Group	Scheme	Total cost	Amount requested	Added Value: other funds	Comments	Contribution to council priorities	Contribution to statutory duties	Geographical	Community support
10 <sup>th</sup> Scunthorpe Scout Group	Premises Hire St Augustine Webster Primary School 33 sessions @ £25/session (5.30pm-8.45pm) (£7.70/hr)	£825	£742.50	Bank account currently showing elevated levels of £2,260 as payments have been taken from scouts for trip in September but payment not yet made Beneficiaries: 41	Application is for the cost of premises hire for Beavers and Cubs sections. Group are actively fundraising <b>£740 grant recommended</b>	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Crosby & Park	

Group	Scheme	Total cost	Amount requested	Added Value: other funds	Comments	Contribution to council priorities	Contribution to statutory duties	Geographical	Community support
ST-ART	Young Peoples Art Club	£7,760	£4,680	Group have allocated £2,670 to project with £371 in bank with participant fees of £1 providing a regular income. Donations of £410 have been received from local businesses. Beneficiaries: approx. 50	Application is for support to continue an evening craft club for young people aged 8-12 years. <b>£4,680 grant recommended</b>	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Barton	Supported by Places Directorate: Would fully support as group have received positive activity funding for working in areas across north Lincolnshire with young people 13-19yrs.

### Application for Community Grant – Revenue

Group	Scheme	Total cost	Amount requested	Added Value: other funds	Comments	Contribution to council priorities	Contribution to statutory duties	Geographical	Community support
Frodingham Fun Club	The Creation Station – working with 20/21 Visual Arts Centre	£15,509	£2,500	Application for £9,800 from Arts Council England (unconfirmed) and balance from groups own funds. Currently £6,870 in bank. Beneficiaries: 100+	Application is for assistance with the costs of a community project to provide adults and children with arts experience. A year of projects aims to celebrate the achievements of the entire community and 10 <sup>th</sup> anniversary of Frodingham Fun Club <b>£2,500 grant recommended</b>	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Frodingham	Neighbourhood questionnaire shows high level of interest in arts/cultural activities

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Insight Open Studios	Annual artist open studios event promoting visual arts and crafts practitioners in North Lincolnshire.	£5,700	£900	Group have £400 for project, currently only have £527 in bank. A further £500 has been received from North East Lincolnshire Council and an application for £2,100 from Arts Council England is still unconfirmed. The balance will come from participants entry fees. Beneficiaries: Last years event attracted over 11,000 visitors	Application meets the criteria and is towards the cost of marketing the event. <b>£900 grant recommended</b>	Stronger communities – creating opportunities for local people to take part in community activities.	N/a	Barton/North Lincolnshire wide	N/a
Scunthorpe Concert Band	Provide equipment to present coordinated professional image	£1,001	£801	Group have allocated £200 to project with £1,017 in bank to cover venue hire Beneficiaries: 23 band members and future audiences	Application is to purchase matching music stands and music folders for members and transport bags/cases for drums and music with an aim of presenting a more professional image <b>£800 grant recommended</b>	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Kingsway & Lincoln Gardens	
South Ferriby Parish Council	Additional expenses following tidal surge	£3,151	£770	Parish Council have covered the additional staffing costs of £2,380	Application is for help with the cost of additional work by the Parish Council following the floods caused by the tidal surge in December 2013 <b>£770 grant recommended</b>	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Brigg & Wolds	

## Application for Community Grant – Public Health Funding

Group	Scheme	Total cost	Amount requested	Added Value: other funds	Comments	Contribution to council priorities	Contribution to statutory duties	Geographical	Community support
Crosby Employment Bureau (CEB)	Winterton Hub Club - providing supervised activities for vulnerable adults with learning difficulties	£3,360	£2,520	CEB have allocated £840 to project Beneficiaries: 24	Application is to extend the current provision for a further six month period <b>£2,520 grant recommended</b>	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Burton upon Stather and Winterton	Supported by Places Directorate: Would fully support as currently working closely with prevention team to become an Independent group
Multiple Sclerosis Society (Scunthorpe Branch)	Introduction of new exercise class for MS patients	£2,585	£1,285	Own fund raising efforts. Group have allocated £1,300 to the project. Beneficiaries: 20-25	Application is towards the cost of premises hire and cost of a fitness instructor to provide structured exercise class. £1,285 grant recommended	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Town	MS patients and carers have shown interest in a haven for friendship and socialisation and the facility to provide healthy structured exercise sessions

## Application for Community Grant – Capital

Group	Scheme	Total cost	Amount requested	Added Value: other funds	Comments	Contribution to council priorities	Contribution to statutory duties	Geographical	Community support
All Saints Parochial Church Council (Belton)	Refurbishment of Church Hall	£156,468	£30,000	Church have £56,000 showing on bank statements. Of this £25,000 is allocated to this project. Professional fees for the development have also been paid and the remainder is designated for repair and maintenance of the church. Unconfirmed applications for funding from WREN, Mondegreen and Allchurches totalling £84,624. Further funders to be found for balance. Beneficiaries: approx. 600 per annum	Application meets the criteria and is to refurbish the church hall to create much needed community space. <b>£30,000 grant recommended</b>	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Axholme Central	Local consultation and feasibility studies. Many letters of community support have been included with the application
Appleby Parish Council	Reinvigoration of children's play area	£28,999	£2,800	WREN £5,000 confirmed. £1,000 own funds	Project allocated £20,000 (Minute 32 2 April 2014 refers). However, applications to other funders have been unsuccessful and there is a £2,800 shortfall in project funds. The applicant has asked that consideration be given to increasing the amount of grant offered. <b>Recommendation: That the Cabinet Members consider whether to approve an exception to the normal grant criteria in this instance and if so, to determine the level of grant to be awarded.</b>	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Broughton & Appleby	Public consultation event on 8 February 2014



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Crosby United Junior Football Club	Resurface existing multi use games area	£20,050	£14,550		Minute 35 (1) (June 2014) refers to a decision to offer Crosby United £14,550 to resurface existing games area. A request has been received from the club requesting approval for change of use of grant. There are health and safety issues with trees and natural turf playing pitch surfaces. The club request the grant be used to address the matters identified. <b>Recommendation: That the request to for change in use of the grant be approved.</b>	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Crosby	
ECC of St Andrews, Kirton	Modernisation of church halls	£13,000	£11,700	Allocated £1,300 to project with £9,452 currently in bank account required for on going costs Beneficiaries: approx. 300 per annum	Application is to continue the work of modernising the church halls following installation of acoustic panels <b>£11,700 grant recommended</b>	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Ridge	
Thornton Curtis Parish Council	Refurbishment of Parish War Memorial	£3,290	£2,960	Council have allocated £330 from parish funds with £615 in bank accounts Beneficiaries: whole community and visitors	Application is towards the cost of refurbishing the war memorial Lych Gate <b>£2,960 grant recommended</b>	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Ferry	Village survey