

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 13 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 £61,706.06 has been committed. This leaves £86,293.94 to allocate. The total amount required to support the applications covered by this report to the levels requested is £9,290.

5.1.2 The council has approved a revenue budget for 2014/15 of £15,000 for community notice boards. To date, a total of £600 has been committed. This leaves £14,400 to allocate. There are no applications on this report.

5.1.3 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 £7,500 has been committed. This leaves £67,500 to allocate. The total amount required to support the applications covered by this report to the levels requested is £3,500.

5.1.4 The council has approved a capital budget of £300,000 for the Community Grant Fund in 2014/15. To date, a total of £179,150 has been committed. This leaves £120,850 to allocate. The total amount required to support the applications covered by this report to the levels requested is £93,660.

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 community grant support set out in the table at Appendix One.

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Background Papers used in the preparation of this report

Community Grant Aid – Application packs

Community Grant Aid – June 2014

Application for Community Grant – Individual

Individual	Scheme	Total cost	Amount requested	Added Value: other funds	Comments	Contribution to council priorities	Contribution to statutory duties	Geographical	Community support
Max Bushell	Selected to Royal Yachting Association RSX (Olympic class windsurfer) UK Youth Squad 2014	£12,800	£500	Own funds only	Max has been selected to train with the Youth Windsurfing Squad and to represent GB at the European Championships in Turkey in June and the World Championships in Israel in October £500 grant recommended plus off peak gym & swim package	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Ferry	N/a
Jennifer Etherington	Selected to attend National Youth Theatre	£900	£490	William Barry Trust £410 and donations requested from CAST and South Axholme School. Otherwise own funds only	Selected to attend two week intense training course with National Youth Theatre £490 grant recommended	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Axholme South	N/a
David Vickers	Qualified with British Triathlon for 2014 sprint distance Duathlon 45 to 49 age group World Championships	£1,071	£500	Own funds only	David has qualified for the International Triathlon Union (ITU) World Championships 2014 in Pontevedra, Spain £500 grant recommended plus off peak gym & swim package	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Burton upon Stather & Winterton	N/a

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
Brigg Town Business Partnership	Events Programme 2014	£5,200	£3,000	Group have allocated £2,200 to project with current bank balance of £5,578 Beneficiaries: whole community and visitors/tourists	Application is for help with the cost of staging a programme of events around Brigg that will help increase footfall to the town's shopping area. Last year the project was awarded £2000 £3,000 grant recommended	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Brigg and Wolds	
North Lincolnshire Professional Arts Consortium (NLPAC)	Community arts development in North Lincolnshire	£65,050	£4,800	Foyle Foundation have confirmed grant of £17,000. Application to Arts Council England for £39,250 and £4,000 from Proper Job Theatre Company core funds.	Application is for help with costs of providing workshops and events over a 12 month period with an aim of developing a new performance similar to Cycle Song. £4,800 grant recommended	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	North Lincolnshire wide	

Application for Community Grant – Public Health Outcomes

South Axholme Community Swimming Pool Association (SACSPA)	Free Swimming Summer 2014	£3,500	£3,500	SACSPA contributing additional staffing, running costs, cleaning and operational supplies required by increased use	As in previous years SACSPA wish to offer free swimming to school children during the summer holiday period in line with other council run swimming pools. The application is for the income that would have otherwise been received. £3,500 grant recommended	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Axholme Central	
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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
Better Barrow	Transformation and improvement of Barrow market place	£800,000	£50,000	Discussions or applications submitted to Able UK, WREN, Tudor Trust and Townscape Heritage. Capital allocation of £50,000 set aside in Council budget plan for this project for 2014/15 financial year. Beneficiaries: whole community	Application is for transform the market place into a living and working space that can cater for the needs of the community. £50,000 grant recommended	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Ferry	High level of community consultation and several surveys of local residents
Broughton Town Council	War memorial refurbishment	£4,267.50	£3,840.75	BTC offering 10% match funding of £426.75 to refurbishment Beneficiaries: whole community	Application is to refurbish the war memorial £3,840 grant recommended	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Broughton & Appleby	
Broughton Town Council	Secure storage and permanent practice facility for cricket club	£8,800	£7,920	BTC offering 10% match funding of £880 to refurbishment Beneficiaries: members of cricket club	Application is to provide a secure storage area for cricket equipment which will also become a permanent practice facility for cricket club in a future phase. £7,920 grant recommended	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Broughton & Appleby	
Crosby United Junior Football Club	Resurface existing multi use games area	£20,050	£14,550	Club offering £5,500 of own funds from bank balance of £9,256 Beneficiaries: approx. 1,000	Application is towards the cost of resurfacing tarmac playing area on MUGA to allow all year usage for a variety of sports. £14,550 grant recommended	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Crosby	
Crowle & Ealand Playing Fields Association	Pavillion refurbishment and acoustic improvements	£30,300	£15,000	£15,000 from SSE Keadby Windfarm and £300 from group Bank Balance £1,300 Beneficiaries: whole community	Application is to refurbish the kitchen and improve the acoustics of the main hall to allow more activities to take place. £15,000 grant recommended towards the cost of acoustic works	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Axholme North	

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Epworth War Memorial Playing Field	Play Area Regeneration	£3,807	£2,348	£259 received from The Lions and £1,200 from committee. Beneficiaries: approx. 1,400 users	Application is to reinstall or replace several items of play ground equipment. Good level of contribution from own funds £2,350 grant recommended	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Axholme Central	
Messingham Memorial Playing Fields Association	Installation of CCTV	£2,369.40	£2,000	£300 from Messingham Parish Council and balance from group Bank balance £4,183 for general maintenance costs	Application is to replace existing CCTV system to cover wider area and improve image quality £2,000 grant recommended	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Ridge	