

NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE COUNCIL

**CUSTOMER SERVICES, SPORT AND LEISURE,
ASSETS, CULTURE AND HOUSING,
and
CHILDREN'S SERVICES
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 18 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 2015/16. To date, a total of £78,842 has been committed. This leaves £69,158 to allocate. The total amount required to support the applications covered by this report to the levels requested is £10,145.

5.1.2 The council has approved a capital budget of £550,000 for the Community Grant Fund in 2015/16. To date, a total of £276,010 has been committed. This leaves £273,990 to allocate. The total amount required to support the applications covered by this report to the levels requested is £61,737.

5.1.3 The council has approved a capital budget for Skate Parks and MUGAs of £939,000 in 2015/16. To date, a total of £204,090 has been committed. This leaves £734,910 to allocate. The total amount required to support the applications covered by this report to the levels requested is £50,000.

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 1.

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Background Papers used in the preparation of this report

Community Grant Aid – Application packs

Community Grant Aid – June 2015

Application for Community Grant – Individuals

Group	Scheme	Total cost	Amount requested	Added Value: other funds	Comments	Contribution to council priorities	Contribution to statutory duties	Geographical	Community support
Benjamin Baugh	Triathlon World Championships	£1,959	£500	Own funds only	Selected to Great Britain Team for Triathlon World Championships in Chicago. £500 grant recommended plus off-peak swim & gym package	Make our communities safer and stronger – encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Ferry	
Natasha Eardley	WTKA Karate World Championship 2015	£675	£675	Own funds only	Natasha is nine years old and attends Koku Ryu Martial Arts in Brigg. Natasha has been selected to represent England at the WTKA Karate World Championships in Benidorm in November 2015. Governing body for this event is not recognised by Sport England and is not a feeder to the world rankings for Karate Recommendation: NIL	Make our communities safer and stronger – encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Brigg & Wolds	
Jack Rhoades	WTKA Karate World Championship 2015	£675	£675	Own funds only	Jack is 11 years old and attends Koku Ryu Martial Arts in Brigg. Jack has been selected to represent England at the WTKA Karate World Championships in Benidorm in November 2015. Governing body for this event is not recognised by Sport England and is not a feeder to the world rankings for Karate. Recommendation: NIL	Make our communities safer and stronger – encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Brigg & Wolds	
Nicki Bainbridge	World Martial Arts Championships 2015 Rugby	£545	£545	Application to ONGO for support to the full group who will be competing	Nikki has been selected to represent England at the Martial Arts World Championships in Rugby in October 2015 in Kata and weapons categories. Governing body for this event is not recognised by Sport England and is not a feeder to the world rankings . Recommendation: NIL	Make our communities safer and stronger – encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Bottesford	

Application for Community Grant – Children & Young People Projects - Premises Hire

Group	Scheme	Total cost	Amount requested	Added Value: other funds	Comments	Contribution to council priorities	Contribution to statutory duties	Geographical	Community support
1 st Crosby Rainbows	Premises hire at Oasis Academy Henderson Avenue @ £20/hr x 1 hr/ week x 30 weeks	£600	£540	Group have allocated £60 towards the costs of premises hire with £386 in bank Beneficiaries: 19	Funds currently raised through subs £540 grant recommended	Providing opportunity for young people to take part in guiding activities.	Complies with Statutory Guidance for Improving Young People's Wellbeing	Crosby	n/a
1 st Crosby Brownies	Premises hire at Oasis Academy Henderson Avenue @ £20/hr x 1½ hr/ week x 30 weeks	£900	£800	Group have allocated £100 towards the costs of premises hire with £1,285 in bank. £750 of this raised for pack holiday. Beneficiaries: 19	Funds currently raised through subs £800 grant recommended	Providing opportunity for young people to take part in guiding activities.	Complies with Statutory Guidance for Improving Young People's Wellbeing	Crosby	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
Barton Partners in Play	Summer Playscheme for children aged 3-11 during summer holidays providing fun and special activities	£2,710	£2,500	Club currently have £200 in the bank. Charge of £1 per child per session will cover balance Beneficiaries: Can accommodate up to 40 children each day reaching 70 individuals	The playscheme will be open to all local primary children and their families. The local community is semi rural and has a high proportion of families on benefits and in receipt of FSM. Group were supported in providing this facility during Summer 2013 and 2014 with grants of £2,000 and £2,500 £2,500 grant recommended.	Stronger communities – creating opportunities for local people to take part in community activities	N/a	Barton	Previous high attendance levels and parental requests
Epworth Imperial Hall	Community activities to commemorate the end of WW2	£1060	£1060	No funds earmarked from this project but anticipate some ticket income for a proposed supper dance.	The Imperial hall are working in partnership with the Royal British Legion to deliver this programme from the 8 th to 16 th August. Normal maximum grant is 90% of project costs. Recommendation: Members determine the level of grant, if any, to be offered	Stronger communities – creating opportunities for local people to take part in community activities	N/a	Axholme Central	

Group	Scheme	Total cost	Amount requested	Added Value: other funds	Comments	Contribution to council priorities	Contribution to statutory duties	Geographical	Community support
Scunthorpe Triathlon Club	Normanby Hall Country Park Duathlon Event	£2,675	£600	Currently have £800 in bank with entry fees to be collected. Group hoping to have £2,075 for other costs	Application for help with the cost of staging a duathlon event in July 2015 at Normanby Hall £600 grant recommended	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Burton upon Stather and Winterton	
Wilderspin National School	Summer holiday activities and events for families and older adults	£5,600	£2,250	£36,546 in bank of which £30,000 restricted funds for externally funded project. £500 own funds allocated to this scheme. £3,350 applied for from Arts Council England. Anticipate 1,000 to 2,000 visitors to activities over the full programme	Application for help with the cost of holding a community day on the August bank holiday and 10 sessions for young people and 2 sessions for adults over Summer 2015. A pilot for the sessions was held in 2014. £2,250 grant recommended	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Barton	

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
Amcotts Parish Council	Restore parish clocks	£10,940	£3,900	£6,800 from Keadby Windfarm and £240 from Parish Council. Beneficiaries: all residents and visitors	Application is to restore the appearance of the clocks and to update to an auto-wind system to remove the risk of climbing a ladder to wind the clock. £3,900 grant recommended	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Axholme North	
Epworth Town Tennis Club	New tennis courts	£55,000	£15,000	An application to Sport England for £35,000 is currently being processed. Group have £5,000 for project with £6,700 in bank. Beneficiaries: approx. 100	Application is for help with cost of providing an additional court and floodlighting on the site at War Memorial Field in Epworth £15,000 grant recommended	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Axholme Central	

Group	Scheme	Total cost	Amount requested	Added Value: other funds	Comments	Contribution to council priorities	Contribution to statutory duties	Geographical	Community support
Haxey Playing Field Association	New childrens play ground	£6,500	£5,000	Applicant group has raised volunteer workforce to remove old equipment	Support has been approved for the provision on new children's play equipment (minute 48(13) of 18 December 2014 refers). Applicant has experienced difficulty raising partnership funds for the project and is asking for additional help to cover the VAT on the equipment ordered. Recommendation: Members determine the level of additional grant, if any, to be offered	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Axholme South	
Scawby Parish Council	Replace three parish notice boards	£906	£706	Parish Council have allocated £200 from own funds Beneficiaries: Approx. 2,000	Application is to replace three notice boards which are now beyond repair. £700 grant recommended	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Ridge	
West Butterwick Village Hall	Safety sports matting	£3,420	£3,078	Currently have £12,300 in bank which is approximately half annual expenditure and have allocated £342 to project Beneficiaries: approx. 100	Application is for assistance with the costs of providing safe sports matting for the hall floor. This provides a safe area for fitness classes and children's play whilst protecting the floor surface £3,080 grant recommended	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Axholme South	
Redbourne Parish Council	Street furniture	£4,503	£4,053	Parish Council have allocated £450 from own funds Beneficiaries: local residents and visitors	Application is for help with the cost of installing new street furniture to include benches, picnic tables and a notice board. £4,050 grant recommended	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Ridge	
St Andrews United Church, Kirton in Lindsey	Reordering of parish church to facilitate community use to include the provision of toilet facilities, server and storage	£245,675	£30,000	Church have allocated £18,500 from own fundraising, with unconfirmed additional funding from Heritage Lottery fund and LPOW of £185,645. Beneficiaries: approx. 200	Application is to install new toilet facilities, server and storage space to coincide with repair for stonework of the Tower. There are a number of community facilities already in existence in Kirton and the applicant has been asked to demonstrate strategic need. Recommendation: Members determine the level of grant, if any, to be offered	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Ridge	

Application for Community Grant – Skate Parks and MUGAs

Group	Scheme	Total cost	Amount requested	Added Value: other funds	Comments	Contribution to council priorities	Contribution to statutory duties	Geographical	Community support
Keadby with Althorpe Parish Council	Skate Park	£55,318	£50,000	Group have £5,318 to project with bank balance of £24,950 of which £19,000 is committed to other projects. Beneficiaries: All children within the parish	Application is for help with the costs of building a skate park at New Generation Park, Keadby Application is for more than the £15,000 normal maximum grant for projects under £60,000 but exceptions have been made for provision from the council's skate parks and multi-use games area capital programme. Recommendation: Members determine the level of grant, if any, to be offered	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Axholme North	