

## **NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE COUNCIL**

<p><b>CUSTOMER SERVICES, SPORT &amp; LEISURE ASSET MANAGEMENT, CULTURE &amp; HOUSING, AND PEOPLE CABINET MEMBERS</b></p>
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### **COMMUNITY GRANT FUND APPLICATIONS**

<p><b>1. OBJECT AND KEY POINTS IN THIS REPORT</b></p>
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| <p>1.1 To consider applications received by the council for financial assistance via the Community Grant Fund.</p> <p>1.2 The key point of the report is as follows.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• We have received 10 applications for community grant aid. These need considering against the scheme criteria and available funds.</li></ul> |
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**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 £139,498 has been committed. This leaves £8,502 to allocate. The total amount required to support the applications covered by this report to the levels requested is £6,850. A further £13,050 has been requested from any budget available for 2015/16.

5.1.2 The council has approved a revenue budget for 2014/15 of £15,000 for grants for parish notice boards. To date, a total of £9,815 has been committed. This leaves £5,182 to allocate. The total amount required to support the applications covered by this report to the levels requested is £900.

5.1.3 The council has approved a capital budget of £500,000 for the Community Grant Fund in 2014/15. To date, a total of £490,914 has been committed. This leaves £9,086 to allocate. The total amount required to support the applications covered by this report to the levels requested is £74,346. However, these requests are all for projects for 2015/16 financial year so would be subject to budget being made available.

#### **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 for items unshaded.
- 8.2 Applications for grants in shaded areas be approved on a provisional basis with formal approval being subject to funding being made available for 2015/16.

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

Community Grant Aid – Application packs

## Community Grant Aid – January 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
Ruben Lansley	Youth Windsurfing Squad	£11,460	£500	Own funds only	Selected to train with the Royal Yachting Association Youth Windsurfing Squad. <b>£500 grant recommended plus off-peak swim &amp; gym package.</b>	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Barton upon Humber	
Harry Spavin	Selected to attend Junior World Waterski Championships in Peru	£5,500	£500	Own funds only	Selected to represent GB at Junior World Waterski Championships in Peru. <b>£500 grant recommended plus off-peak swim &amp; gym package.</b>	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Ridge	

## Application for Community Grant – Children and 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
3 <sup>rd</sup> Berkeley Brownies	Premises hire St Augustine Webster Academy £20/session (1½hrs) x 30 weeks	£600	£540	Group have £60 (min 10%) for premises hire with £342 in bank. Capitation fees of £220 due in February. Beneficiaries: 15	Funds currently raised through subs. <b>£540 grant recommended</b>	Providing opportunity for young people to take part in guiding activities.	Complies with Statutory Guidance for Improving Young People's Wellbeing	Crosby	n/a
Dale Park Youth Organisation	Premises hire for indoor winter training at Winterton Community Academy £37/h x 40 2hr sessions and 39 1hr sessions	£4,403	£3,962.70	Group have £440.30 (min 10%) for premises hire with bank balance of £3,600 for normal operating costs	Funds currently raised through subs and regular fundraising events <b>£3,960 grant recommended</b>	Providing opportunity for young people to take part in sporting activities.	Complies with Statutory Guidance for Improving Young People's Wellbeing	Burton upon Stather & Winterton	n/a

Group	Scheme	Total cost	Amount requested	Added Value: other funds	Comments	Contribution to council priorities	Contribution to statutory duties	Geographical	Community support
Lincs Twirlers	Premises hire Old Brumby United Church Hall @ £30 per week x 50 weeks	£1,500	£1,350	Bank account shows £1,520 for equipment purchase and competition entry fees but are offering £150 (min 10%) towards costs Beneficiaries: 22	New group have been actively fundraising and have raised enough to cover costs of premises hire for the first year but would like to train more often to reach competition standard for next season. They are continuing with their fundraising activities but need support. <b>£1,350 grant recommended</b>	Providing opportunity for young people to take part in majorette activities	Complies with Statutory Guidance for Improving Young People's Wellbeing	Kingsway & Lincoln Gardens	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 Arts Week	Barton Arts Festival 2015	£13,450	£2,950	Many partners (inc ticket sales) amounting to £9,500, £1,000 from group with £1,498 in bank Beneficiaries: Approx 2,650	Application is for help with the cost of Barton Arts Festival 2014. Good partnership funding received. Support 2014 festival - £1,000 <b>£2,950 grant recommended subject to funding being made available for 2015/16</b>	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Barton upon Humber	
Young Enterprise	Employability Skills development at selected schools and colleges in North Lincolnshire	£20,440	£10,100	No other requests for funding have been submitted. Beneficiaries: approx. 200-300 students	Application towards the costs of providing employability skills training in schools across North Lincolnshire. This will include delivery of 8 primary school programmes and 6 secondary school programmes, area board subsidy of 10 company programmes, and funding for awards at North Lincolnshire Area Finals and Humber County Finals <b>Recommendation: that the Cabinet Members determine the level of grant to be awarded if any subject to funding being made available for 2015/16</b>	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	North Lincolnshire Wide	

## Application for Community Grant – Community Notice Board Scheme

Group	Scheme	Total cost	Amount requested	Added Value: other funds	Comments	Contribution to council priorities	Contribution to statutory duties	Geographical	Community support
Thornton Curtis Parish Council	Provision on new community notice board	£1,000	£900	£100 from parish funds with £518 in bank Beneficiaries: 1250	Application is towards the cost of providing a new parish notice board on the main road in Thornton Curtis <b>£900 grant recommended</b>	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Ferry	

## 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
Outcasts Cricket Club	New pavilion	£81,069	£15,000	Club are putting £8,100 to project with balance expected from Sport England's Inspired Facilities Programme Beneficiaries: approx 1,500	Application has been on hold since January 2014 whilst partnership funding was identified. A decision from Sport England is expected February 2015 but they require partnership funding to be in place. Application is to replace current facilities with new building providing hall, bar, kitchen and toilet facilities which will be available for community use as well as the cricket club. <b>£15,000 grant recommended subject to funding being made available for 2015/16</b>	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Axholme North	
Worlaby Parish Council	Multi Use Games Area	£59,346	£59,346	Parish Council have already paid £1,325 for survey and site plans and have increased the parish precept to cover maintenance costs but have no further funds available Beneficiaries: all residents and visitors	Application for 100% of the cost of building Multi Use Games Area on existing tennis court area. Application exceeds normal criteria of £15,000 maximum grant. <b>Recommendation: that the Cabinet Members determine the level of grant to be awarded subject to funding being made available for 2015/16</b>	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Brigg & Wolds	