

NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE COUNCIL

**CHILDREN, FAMILIES AND LEARNING
AND
HEALTH AND WELLBEING
CABINET MEMBERS**

COMMUNITY GRANT FUND APPLICATIONS

1. OBJECT AND KEY POINTS IN THIS REPORT

- 1.1 To consider applications received for financial assistance via the Community Grant Fund.
- 1.2 The key point of the report is as follows.
- We have received 15 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 normally £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 are set out in Appendix One.

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

- approving the application 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 2016/17. To date, a total of £143,277 has been committed. This leaves £4,723 to allocate. The total amount required to support the applications covered by this report to the levels requested is £27,082.

5.1.2 The council has approved a capital budget of £494,000 (including slippage) for the Community Grant Fund in 2016/17. To date, a total of £415,968 has been committed. This leaves £78,032 to allocate. The total amount required to support the applications covered by this report to the levels requested is £23,300.

5.1.3 The council has approved a capital budget of £200,000 for Epworth Pool in 2017/18. The total amount required to support the application covered by this report is £138,197.

5.2 There are no other resource 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.

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 – February 2016

Application for Community Grant – Individuals

Group	Scheme	Total cost	Amount requested	Added Value: other funds	Comments	Contribution to council priorities & Community Support	Contribution to statutory duties	Geographical
Sheehan Quirke	Team GB – Duathlon	£1,044	£500	Own funds only	Sheehan has qualified for the British Triathlon squad for the ETU European Duathlon Championships in Spain in April 2017 £500 grant recommended including off peak gym and swim package from 2017/18 budget	Enable communities to thrive and live active and healthy lives <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improve everyone's health and well being • Improve skills and education outcomes 	N/a	Brigg and Wolds
Abigail Scales	Team GB – Duathlon	£1,475	£500	Own funds only	Abigail has qualified for the British Triathlon squad for the ETU European Duathlon Championships in Spain in April 2017 £500 grant recommended including off peak gym and swim package from 2017/18 budget	Enable communities to thrive and live active and healthy lives <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improve everyone's health and well being • Improve skills and education outcomes 	N/a	Burton upon Stather & Winterton

Application for Community Grant – Children & Young People Focus

Group	Scheme	Total cost	Amount requested	Added Value: other funds	Comments	Contribution to council priorities & Community Support	Contribution to statutory duties	Geographical
1 st Belton Guides	Premises hire at Belton All Saints C of E Primary School and All Saints Church Hall, Belton @ £10/hr x 1.5hrs/wk x 20 weeks plus kitchen £3/hr x 1.5hrs x 4 weeks	£318	£286	Group have requested 90% with bank balance of £803 for normal operating costs Beneficiaries: 20	Application for £286.20 (+ school) to help with the cost of hiring the school hall for one term then church hall for guiding activities. Actively fundraising. Max funding is normally 70% of eligible costs. £220 grant recommended	Enable communities to thrive and live active and healthy lives Support safeguard and protect the vulnerable	Complies with Statutory Guidance for Improving Young People's Wellbeing	Axholme Central
2 nd Scawby Brownies	Premises hire at Scawby Village Hall £20/hr x 1.5hrs/wk x 30 weeks	£450	£450	Group have requested 100% with bank balance of £547 for normal operating costs Beneficiaries: 21	Application for £450 to help with the cost of hiring Scawby Village Hall for guiding activities. Actively fundraising. Max funding is normally 70% of eligible costs. £315 grant recommended	Enable communities to thrive and live active and healthy lives Support safeguard and protect the vulnerable	Complies with Statutory Guidance for Improving Young People's Wellbeing	Ridge

Group	Scheme	Total cost	Amount requested	Added Value: other funds	Comments	Contribution to council priorities & Community Support	Contribution to statutory duties	Geographical
8 th Ashby Guides	Premises hire at The Grange Primary School £30/hour x 1.5hrs/wk x 30 weeks	£1,350	£1,250	Group have requested 93% with bank balance of £1,299 for normal operating costs Beneficiaries: 18	Application for £1,250 to help with the cost of hiring The Grange school hall for guiding activities. No fundraising has been undertaken. Max funding is normally 70% of eligible costs. £945 grant recommended	Enable communities to thrive and live active and healthy lives Support safeguard and protect the vulnerable	Complies with Statutory Guidance for Improving Young People's Wellbeing	Ashby
Lincs Twirlers	Premises hire at Old Brumby United Church £35/session x 100 sessions	£3,500	£3,150	Group have requested 90% with bank balance of £2,844 for normal operating costs Beneficiaries: 32	This application is for help with the cost of hiring Old Brumby United Church hall for baton twirling activities during financial year 2017/18. Actively fundraising. Max funding is normally 70% of eligible costs. £1,500 grant recommended from 2017/18 budget	Enable communities to thrive and live active and healthy lives Support safeguard and protect the vulnerable	Complies with Statutory Guidance for Improving Young People's Wellbeing	Brumby

Application for Community Grant – Revenue

Group	Scheme	Total cost	Amount requested	Added Value: other funds	Officer Comments	Contribution to council priorities & Community Support	Contribution to statutory duties	Geographical
2 nd Ashby Brownies	Replacement of resources	£210	£130	Group have allocated £80 to project with bank balance of £1,869 at end December for normal operating costs. Over £1,000 of this is due to be paid out during January Beneficiaries: 28	Group are looking to replace Brownie Flag and associated items and also purchase new games and sports equipment £130 grant recommended	Enable communities to thrive and live active and healthy lives Support safeguard and protect the vulnerable Shape the area into a prosperous place to live, work, invest and play • Create attractive and healthy places to live, work and play	N/a	Ashby
Lithuanian Community in Scunthorpe	Support for pupils of Lithuanian community school	£11,607	£11,607	Group have £3,869 in bank which is allocated for other purchases. Beneficiaries: 300	Application is for support with the costs of setting up and supporting a community school at Central Community Centre for Lithuanian children from birth to 6 years. Focus will be on language skills. The project falls outside of the usual remit of this fund. Recommendation: Nil	Enable communities to thrive and live active and healthy lives Support safeguard and protect the vulnerable Shape the area into a prosperous place to live, work, invest and play • Create attractive and healthy places to live, work and play	N/a	Town

Group	Scheme	Total cost	Amount requested	Added Value: other funds	Officer Comments	Contribution to council priorities & Community Support	Contribution to statutory duties	Geographical
Street Beat	Life Choices	£25,000	£9,209	Group have allocated £1,200 from £4,061 bank balance. Applications for support from Arts Council England (£15,000) and Epworth Town Council (£200) are still pending decision Beneficiaries: 19	Application is for help with the cost of developing gifted and talented young dance artists by establishing a semiprofessional group with a 12 months programme of talent development. The application includes costs for a professional paid project which we do not normally fund. Recommendation: Nil	Enable communities to thrive and live active and healthy lives Support safeguard and protect the vulnerable Shape the area into a prosperous place to live, work, invest and play • Create attractive and healthy places to live, work and play	N/a	Axholme North

Application for Community Grant – Capital

Group	Scheme	Total cost	Amount requested	Added Value: other funds	Officer Comments	Contribution to council priorities & Community Support	Contribution to statutory duties	Geographical
Saxby All Saints Parochial Church Council	Saxby Meadows Bleubell Wood	£101,024	£10,000	Group have raised £5,000 towards the works with bank balance of £4,500. Further funding of £75,000 has been secured from SSE Environmental Fund and a further £400 requested from the parish council. Beneficiaries: 300	Application is for £10,000 towards the £101,024 cost of improving surrounding are of the church deemed of national architectural significance by English Heritage £10,000 grant recommended	Enable communities to thrive and live active and healthy lives Support safeguard and protect the vulnerable Shape the area into a prosperous place to live, work, invest and play • Create attractive and healthy places to live, work and play	N/a	Brigg & Wolds
Scunthorpe 6 th (Messingham) Scout Group	Marquee Extension	£997.38	£800	Group have allocated £197.38 (19%) to project with bank balance of £9,022 but have a large capitation bill to pay soon. Beneficiaries: 100+	Application is for £800 towards the cost of purchasing an extension for the current marquee to allow additional space of kitchen facilities £800 grant recommended	Enable communities to thrive and live active and healthy lives Support safeguard and protect the vulnerable Shape the area into a prosperous place to live, work, invest and play • Create attractive and healthy places to live, work and play	N/a	Ridge
South Axholme Community Swimming Pool Association (SACSPA)	New entrance for Epworth Swimming Pool	£138,197	£138,197	Self-sustaining community leisure facility operating from own fundraising and fees and charge income. Beneficiaries: 14,500	The Council have approved a budget of £200,000 in the Capital Programme for 2017/18 for Epworth Pool. The group are now applying for a grant to draw down this funding to be able to progress the scheme. £138,197 grant recommended	Enable communities to thrive and live active and healthy lives Support safeguard and protect the vulnerable Shape the area into a prosperous place to live, work, invest and play • Create attractive and healthy places to live, work and play	N/a	Axholme Central

Group	Scheme	Total cost	Amount requested	Added Value: other funds	Officer Comments	Contribution to council priorities & Community Support	Contribution to statutory duties	Geographical
St Andrews PCC Kirton Lindsey	Modernisation of St Andrews Church	£91,500	£11,000	Group have raised £5,000 towards the works with bank balance of £94,120. Further funding of £80,000 has been secured from NLC, KLTC and a Methodist Church Grant. The high bank balance represents normal running costs and £59,000 grant from Heritage Lottery Fund for repairs to the church tower. Beneficiaries: Kirton population	Application is for £11,000 towards the £91,500 cost of updating the interior of the church to allow it to be more attractive and accessible and for a wider range of activities and celebrations to take place £11,000 grant recommended	Enable communities to thrive and live active and healthy lives Support safeguard and protect the vulnerable Shape the area into a prosperous place to live, work, invest and play • Create attractive and healthy places to live, work and play	N/a	Ridge
Wootton Parish Council	Replacement notice board	£699	£500	Council have allocated £699 from current bank balance of £3,041. Beneficiaries: 600	Application is for £500 towards the £699 cost of providing a replacement community notice board £500 grant recommended	Enable communities to thrive and live active and healthy lives Support safeguard and protect the vulnerable Shape the area into a prosperous place to live, work, invest and play • Create attractive and healthy places to live, work and play	N/a	Ferry