

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 12 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 2013/14. To date, a total of £24,080 has been committed. This leaves £123,920 to allocate. The total amount required to support the applications covered by this report to the levels requested is £14,578.

5.1.2 The council has approved a capital budget of £300,000 for the Community Grant Fund in 2013/14. To date, a total of £90,500 has been committed. This leaves £209,500 to allocate. The total amount required to support the applications covered by this report to the levels requested is £57,490.

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 – March 2013

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
Andrew Percy MP	Purchase of defibrillators for secondary schools in rural areas and associated training	£10,008	£10,008		Aim to improve survival rates of people having heart attacks in rural areas where ambulance response times can take longer. This bid for funding does not satisfy the normal criteria for grant funding on a number of counts. However, the Cabinet Members have the discretion to approve an exception to normal criteria if they see fit. 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.	Work to improve the health and wellbeing of the residents of North Lincolnshire	N/A	Brigg and Goole Constituency in North Lincolnshire geographic area	British Heart Foundation

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
Barnetby Central Bowls Club	To lay grass mat reinforcement mesh in the car park area of the bowls club. Currently the car park becomes very muddy during wet weather. The mesh will provide a safe and stable surface to drive and walk on.	£2,184	£1,966	Group have allocated £218 to the project and currently have £3,690 in the bank which is for normal maintenance/running costs Beneficiaries: approx 900	This application meets the criteria and is towards the cost of providing a more stable car park surface £1,970 grant recommended	Stronger communities – creating opportunities for local people to take part in community activities.	N/a	Brigg & Wolds	Condition of licence to occupy states that the car park should be made good after building works

Group	Scheme	Total cost	Amount requested	Added Value: other funds	Comments	Contribution to council priorities	Contribution to statutory duties	Geographical	Community support
Barton Town Cricket Club	Upgrading works to playing surface to allow more sports to use the ground all year round. Works will also include upgrade of car park facilities with additional spaces being marked out.	£77,632	£18,782	Group have allocated £7,850 to the project with additional funding confirmed from WREN £18,000 and a pending application to Sport England – Protected Playing Fields for £33,000. Group have £1,771 in the bank Beneficiaries: approx 1,900 per year	This application meets the criteria and is towards the cost of upgrading the play space and car park facilities £18,790 grant recommended	Stronger communities – creating opportunities for local people to take part in community activities.	N/a	Barton	Requests from local clubs/groups to use grounds
Belton Playing Field Association	Upgrade of CCTV at Belton Playing Field	£7,146.50	£4,647	Group have £2,500 towards the cost of this project and £7,698 in bank for normal operational costs Beneficiaries: village population	This application meets the criteria and is towards cost of replacing the current CCTV system with more modern system including night vision £4,650 grant recommended	Stronger communities – creating opportunities for local people to take part in community activities.	N/a	Axholme Central	Humberside Police have complained that CCTV images are of poor quality and are unable to identify/ convict vandals/ criminals from footage available
Hibaldstow Village Hall	Build new BMX track. First phase of larger plans to redevelop the playing field and village hall	£19,500	£17,500	Group have £2,000 towards the project with £19,000 in bank. Remaining £17,000 is earmarked for day-to-day maintenance and a future phase of the project Beneficiaries: approx. 50 young people and families	This application meets the criteria and is towards the cost of installing a BMX track. Normal maximum £15,000 Members to decide level of grant to be awarded	Stronger communities – creating opportunities for local people to take part in community activities	N/a	Ridge	Response to village survey and young people in the village have contributed to the design of the track
Humber Keel & Sloop Preservation Society	Amy Howson, the historical vessel based in North Lincolnshire required new sails and leeboards.	£16,208	£14,578	Group have raised £1,630 towards this project. They have £1,985 in the bank. Beneficiaries: approx. 2,000	This application meets the criteria and is towards the cost of replacing sails and leeboards. £14,580 grant recommended	Stronger communities – creating opportunities for local people to take part in community activities	N/a	North Lincs wide	

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
1st Crosby Brownies	Use of school for provision of guiding activities	£990	£990	The group have £954 in bank which is to cover costs of running the group Beneficiaries: 19	Funds currently raised through subs. Looking into future fundraising opportunities. £890 grant recommended based on 90% max Community Grant	Providing opportunity for young people to take part in brownie activities	Complies with Statutory Guidance for Improving Young People's Wellbeing		N/a
8 th Ashby Guides	Use of school for provision of guiding activities	£1,350	£1,220	The group have £615 in bank which is to cover costs of running the group Beneficiaries: 14	Funds currently raised through subs. Looking into future fundraising opportunities. £1,220 grant recommended based on 90% max Community Grant	Providing opportunity for young people to take part in brownie activities	Complies with Statutory Guidance for Improving Young People's Wellbeing		N/a
Barton Broncos Football Club	Use of school for winter training provision	£157.45	£157.45	Club have £156 in bank for cost of running the club Beneficiaries: 24	Funds currently raised through subs. Looking into future fundraising opportunities. £140 grant recommended based on 90% max Community Grant	Providing opportunity for young people to take part in sporting activities	Complies with Statutory Guidance for Improving Young People's Wellbeing		N/a
Barton Junior Football Club	Use of school for winter training provision	£460.20	£460.20	Club have £1,816 in bank. This is a higher amount due to ticket sales for presentation night. Costs have yet to be paid for this. Beneficiaries: 134	Funds currently raised through subs. Looking into future fundraising opportunities. £420 grant recommended based on 90% max Community Grant	Providing opportunity for young people to take part in sporting activities	Complies with Statutory Guidance for Improving Young People's Wellbeing		N/a
Haxey Cricket Club	Use of school for winter training provision	£1,050	£550	Club have £4,000 in bank for cost of running the club including adult provision Beneficiaries: 35 young people	Funds currently raised through subs. Looking into future fundraising opportunities. £550 grant recommended	Providing opportunity for young people to take part in sporting activities	Complies with Statutory Guidance for Improving Young People's Wellbeing		N/a
Scunthorpe & District Colts Cricket Association	Use of school for winter training provision	£1,500	£1,350	Club have £4,770 in bank for cost of running the club	Funds currently raised through subs. Looking into future fundraising opportunities. £1,350 grant recommended based on 90% max Community Grant	Providing opportunity for young people to take part in sporting activities	Complies with Statutory Guidance for Improving Young People's Wellbeing		N/a