

NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE COUNCIL

**ASSET AND ESTATE MANAGEMENT,
SPORT, LEISURE AND CULTURE
CABINET MEMBER**

LEISURE GRANT AID APPLICATIONS

1. OBJECT AND KEY POINTS IN THIS REPORT

- 1.1 To consider applications for financial assistance.
- 1.2 The key points of the report are as follows:
- There are two different leisure grant aid schemes.
 - We have received eight applications for grant aid. These need considering against the scheme criteria and available funds.

2. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- 2.1 There are two different leisure grant aid schemes. These are:
- Sports Grants to Individuals
The scheme helps athletes selected to national teams/squads. The maximum grant is £500 towards travel and training costs and free off peak access to fitness centres and swimming pools in council run facilities. Only those sports recognised by Sport England are eligible.
 - Leisure 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 Options are limited to the following:
- 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 in the relevant grant aid scheme for assistance up to the level shown in the attached table.
- 4.2 Offering grant support at a reduced level, or rejection of an application, could mean that the project will not progress.

5. RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS (FINANCIAL, STAFFING, PROPERTY, IT)

5.1 Financial

5.1.1 The Sport Grant budget for this year is £10,390. The amount required to support the applicants in this report is £3,500. There is currently £10,390 in the budget.

5.1.2 The Capital Grant budget for this year is £50,000. The amount required to support the scheme in this report is £5,000. There is currently £50,000 in the budget.

5.2 Staffing, Property and IT

5.2.1 There are no issues for staffing, property or IT.

6. OTHER IMPLICATIONS (STATUTORY, ENVIRONMENTAL, DIVERSITY, SECTION 17 - CRIME AND DISORDER, RISK AND OTHER)

- 6.1 The service is working hard to reach diversity plan outcomes. One way of doing this is to support community leisure provision.
- 6.2 Getting more people to take part in active recreation may contribute to reducing crime and anti-social behaviour.
- 6.3 There are no other implications.

7. OUTCOMES OF CONSULTATION

- 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 travel, training and accommodation costs.

8. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 8.1 That the Cabinet Member approves the recommended level of grant support set out in the table at Appendix One.

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Background Papers used in the preparation of this report

- Leisure Services Grant Aid – Application pack

Appendix 1

Leisure Services Grant Aid – June 2011**Applications for Sports Grant Awards**

INDIVIDUAL	SCHEME	TOTAL COST	AMOUNT REQUESTED	OTHER FUNDS	COMMENTS
Max Bushell	Selected to attend training and team racing with Royal Yachting Association BIC Techno National Junior Squad	£3,350	£500	Own funds only	This application meets the criteria and is for assistance with the costs of travel and accommodation to attend the World Windsurfing Competition in San Francisco, USA in July 2011. £500 grant and free off peak access to fitness centres and swimming pools in council run facilities recommended.
Grace Conlon	Selected to swim in British Gas Great East, North & Scottish open water Swimming events	£750	£500	Own funds only	This application meets the criteria and is for assistance with the costs of travelling to participate in British Gas Great Open Swim events. £500 grant and free off peak access to fitness centres and swimming pools in council run facilities recommended.
Robert Griffiths	Selected to attend training and team racing with Royal Yachting Association BIC Techno National Junior Squad	£1,256	£500	Own funds only	This application meets the criteria and is for assistance with the costs of travel and accommodation to attend the team racing event in Mondello, Sicily in May 2011. £500 grant and free off peak access to fitness centres and swimming pools in council run facilities recommended.

INDIVIDUAL	SCHEME	TOTAL COST	AMOUNT REQUESTED	OTHER FUNDS	COMMENTS
Emma Labourne	Selected to attend training and team racing with Royal Yachting Association BIC Techno National Junior Squad	£8,500	£500	Own funds only	This application meets the criteria and is for assistance with the costs of travel and accommodation to attend the World Windsurfing Competition in San Francisco, USA in July 2011. £500 grant and free off peak access to fitness centres and swimming pools in council run facilities recommended.
Ruben Lansley	Selected to attend training and team racing with Royal Yachting Association BIC Techno National Junior Squad	£1,256	£500	Own funds only	This application meets the criteria and is for assistance with the costs of travel and accommodation to attend the European Championships in Sardinia in October 2011. £500 grant and free off peak access to fitness centres and swimming pools in council run facilities recommended.
Alan Rayment	Selected to train with the GB Triathlon Squad and attend the World Cup & World Finals in August & September 2011		£500	Own funds only	This application meets the criteria and is for assistance with the costs of travel and accommodation to attend training and competitions in Beijing. £500 grant and free off peak access to fitness centres and swimming pools in council run facilities recommended.

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Richard Traviss	Selected by Badminton England to attend the World Senior Championships in Canada in August	£1,640	£500	Own funds only	This application meets the criteria and is for assistance with the costs of travel and accommodation to attend the Badminton World Seniors Championships in Canada in August 2011. £500 grant and free off peak access to fitness centres and swimming pools in council run facilities recommended.

Application for Leisure Capital Grant Award

ORGANISATION	SCHEME	TOTAL COST	AMOUNT REQUESTED	OTHER FUNDS	COMMENTS
Bottesford Town Football Club	Development of former playing field off Sunningdale Road to provide additional playing areas for junior players	£6,535	£5,000	Club funds	This application meets the criteria and is to assist with the purchase of a grass cutting machine and to provide a hard standing to access area. £5,000 grant recommended.