

## **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 13 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 2014/15. To date, a total of £98,477 has been committed. This leaves £49,523 to allocate. The total amount required to support the applications covered by this report to the levels requested is £17,475.

5.1.2 The council has approved a revenue budget for 2014/15 of £75,000 for grants to community projects which deliver public health outcomes. To date, a total of £17,805 has been committed. This leaves £57,195 to allocate. The total amount required to support the applications covered by this report to the levels requested is £10,000.

5.1.3 The council has approved a capital budget of £300,000 for the Community Grant Fund in 2014/15. There is a proposal to increase this budget by £200,000 which is currently undergoing the relevant processes. To date, a total of £349,432 has been committed. The total amount required to support the applications covered by this report to the levels requested is £125,820.

#### **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 revenue community grant support set out in the table at Appendix One.
- 8.2 Applications for capital grants be approved on a provisional basis with formal approval being subject to the proposed additional £200k capital allocation being made available in the September budget review to be considered by Cabinet on 30 September 2014.

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

Community Grant Aid – Application packs

## Community Grant Aid – September 2014

## Application for Community Grant – Individual (Revenue Funding)

Individual	Scheme	Total cost	Amount requested	Added Value: other funds	Comments	Contribution to council priorities	Contribution to statutory duties	Geographical	Community support
Jessica Bradley	World Scout Jamboree	£2800	£500	Own funds only	Jessica has been selected to be part of the International Service Team at the World Scout Jamboree in Kirarahama in Japan. We do not normally support the cost of attending overseas charity work. <b>Recommendation: That the Cabinet Members consider whether to approve an additional grant award and if so, to determine the level of grant to be awarded.</b>	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Ridge	N/a

## Application for Community Grant – Children &amp; 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
1 <sup>st</sup> Crosby Brownies	Premises Hire Crosby Primary School 30 sessions @ £33/session (1.5hr session = £22/hr)	£990	£990	Bank account £462 Beneficiaries: 18	Application is for the cost of premises hire for Beavers and Cubs sections. No fund raising activities undertaken only income from subs <b>£890 grant recommended based on maximum 90%</b>	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Crosby & Park	

Group	Scheme	Total cost	Amount requested	Added Value: other funds	Comments	Contribution to council priorities	Contribution to statutory duties	Geographical	Community support
1 <sup>st</sup> Hibaldstow and Scawby Scout Group	Premises hire St Hybalds Church Hall £6/hr and Hibaldstow Village Hall £19/session (3.5hr session = £5.43/hr)	£925	£500	Group have £425 towards costs with £3,523 in bank. Balance is for normal operating costs and purchase of equipment for new unit. Beneficiaries: approx. 89	Application is for support to cover increased cost of premises hire following introduction of new Explorer Unit. <b>£500 grant recommended</b>	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Ridge	
1 <sup>st</sup> Hibaldstow and Scawby Scout Group	Expeditions to Switzerland and Edinburgh for Scout Group in May & August 2015	£33,000	£5,000	Group have £3,523 in bank. Young people will pay 50% of own costs rest will be from fundraising. Beneficiaries: approx. 89	Application is for support to cover cost of travel, accommodation and activities. Very active fundraising campaign in progress <b>£5,000 grant recommended</b>	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Ridge	
Messingham Junior Cricket Club	Premises hire Frederick Gough School Sports Hall (£30/hr)	£600	£500	Group have allocated £100 to costs with bank balance of £1,607 Beneficiaries: 150 young people	Application is for cost of premises hire for indoor winter training. <b>£500 grant recommended</b>	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Ridge	

### 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
Back 2 Works Skills Ltd	Employability training for unemployed	£8,600	£7,600	£1,000 requested but unconfirmed from Tesco Charity Trust Community Awards Beneficiaries: 30	Application is for assistance with the costs of providing training and accreditation for unemployed people. The 6 month project is outside the normal scope of the grant scheme <b>Nil grant recommended</b>	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Burton upon Stather & Winterton	

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JW Club	Provided social activities for rural community	£900	£535	Club have £215 in back for project from own fundraising Beneficiaries: Target group of 120 people	Application is for help with the cost of a programme of intergenerational activities in Worlaby. <b>£535 grant recommended</b>	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Brigg & Wolds	Residents survey
Owston Ferry Society	Buildings and contents insurance for the Old Smithy Museum and Heritage Centre	£1,450	£1,450	Club expenditure is in excess of income. Help with the cost of the insurance cover is sought. Group have £2,900 in the bank for services, coal, maintenance and some exterior work.	Application is for insurance costs for 15/16. Grant of £1,300 was given in September 2013 towards costs of 14/15 insurance (minute 22 17 Sept 2013 refers) <b>Recommendation: Defer until budget for 15/16 confirmed</b>	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Axholme South	
Winterton Senior Citizens Forum	To provide transport for elderly and disabled members to attend monthly meetings and other events throughout the year and room hire for meetings	£688	£500	Group have allocated £188 (27%) to the project and have £1,646 in bank with annual turnover of approx. £3,000. Request to Winterton Town Council for assistance with room hire. Beneficiaries: Approx 12-15	This application has previously been allocated £100 (minute 36 9 July 2014 refers) and offered free room hire at Winterton Hub. Club have now summarised why use of Winterton Hub is not suitable and request additional support with transport costs. <b>Recommendation: That the Cabinet Members consider whether to approve an additional grant award and if so, to determine the level of grant to be awarded.</b>	Stronger communities – creating opportunities for local people to take part in community activities.	N/a	Burton upon Stather & Winterton, Burton and Brigg & Wolds	

## Application for Community Grant – Public Health Funding

Group	Scheme	Total cost	Amount requested	Added Value: other funds	Comments	Contribution to council priorities	Contribution to statutory duties	Geographical	Community support
Gunness Community Sports Initiative	Installation of outdoor keep fit equipment as part of wider equipment renewal project (below)	£80,000	£10,000	Applications to BIFFA for £30,000 and Awards for All for £10,000. Groups have £4,000 from own fundraising and Gunness Parish Council will assist if required. Beneficiaries: whole community	Application is towards the cost of the installation of outdoor keep fit equipment on Gunness Playing Field <b>£10,000 grant recommended subject to partnership funding being secured</b>	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Burringham & Gunness	Village questionnaire

## 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
Burton upon Stather Parish Council	Combined Burial Office and Historical Archive	£85,000	£30,000	£80,250 in bank of which £10,000 has been allocated to project. Balance for normal parish running costs. Application to WREN for £33,250.	Application is to extend current parish office to include facilities for a burial office and historical archive. <b>£30,000 grant recommended subject to partnership funding being secured</b>	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Burton upon Stather & Winterton	
Elsham Parish Council	Purchase of Elsham Quarry	£75,000	£75,000	No local funds to allocate – Parish Precept fully committed	Application is to purchase the quarry to allow it to continue to be used for recreational purposes. Application exceeds normal maximum grant. <b>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.</b>	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Brigg and Wolds	

Group	Scheme	Total cost	Amount requested	Added Value: other funds	Comments	Contribution to council priorities	Contribution to statutory duties	Geographical	Community support
Gunness Community Sports Initiative	Installation of children's play equipment and teen shelter as part of wider scheme (above)	£80,000	£20,000	Applications to BIFFA for £30,000 and Awards for All for £10,000. Groups have £4,000 from own fundraising and Gunness Parish Council will assist if required. Beneficiaries: whole community	Application is towards the cost of installing additional children's play equipment and a teen shelter on Gunness Playing Field <b>£20,000 grant recommended subject to partnership funding being secured</b>	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Burringham & Gunness	Village questionnaire
St Oswalds Church Althorpe	Purchase of additional furniture	£1,025	£818	Group offering 20% of costs from own funds with approx £9,000 in bank for repair and maintenance of church and hall. Beneficiaries: population and visitors	Application is for help with purchase of additional tables and chairs for community café area. Coffee mornings introduced after refurbishment of community area regularly attract over 30 visitors. <b>£820 grant recommended</b>	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Axholme North	