

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 11 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 for 2014/15 of £75,000 for grants to community projects which deliver public health outcomes. To date, a total of £17,290 has been committed. This leaves £57,710 to allocate. The total amount required to support the applications covered by this report to the levels requested is £1,000.

5.1.2 The council has approved a revenue budget of £148,000 for the Community Grant Fund in 2014/15. To date, a total of £79,845 has been committed. This leaves £68,155 to allocate. The total amount required to support the applications covered by this report to the levels requested is £12,500.

5.1.3 The council has approved a revenue budget for 2014/15 of £15,000 for community notice boards. To date, a total of £7,800 has been committed. This leaves £7,200 to allocate. The total amount required to support the applications covered by this report to the levels requested is £3,080.

5.1.4 The council has approved a capital budget of £300,000 for the Community Grant Fund in 2014/15. To date, a total of £287,307 has been committed. This leaves £12,693 to allocate. The total amount required to support the applications covered by this report to the levels requested is £18,430. However, if members are minded to support these projects a proportion could be allocated to the remaining revenue budget.

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 – July 2014

Application for Community Grant – Individual (Public Health Fund)

Individual	Scheme	Total cost	Amount requested	Added Value: other funds	Comments	Contribution to council priorities	Contribution to statutory duties	Geographical	Community support
Joshua Jones	World Championship – Triathlon	£2,300	£500	Own funds only	Joshua has been selected to represent Team GB at the Triathlon World Championships in Edmonton, Canada, August 2014 £500 grant recommended plus off peak gym & swim package	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Brigg & Wolds	N/a
Emma Labourne	GB Youth Windsurfing Squad	£700	£500	Own funds only	Emma has been selected to the GB Windsurfing Squad for international competition. £500 grant recommended plus off peak gym & swim package	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Ferry	N/a

Application for Community Grant – Children & 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
Scunthorpe Cooperative Junior Choir	Premises hire at Oasis Academy Henderson Avenue @ £20/hour x 3.25 hours x 37 weeks	£2,405	£2,405	£9,000 in the bank Some of this is a succession planning grant for future expenditure, and the remainder is to cover outstanding payments	Application for the cost of premises hire for rehearsals. £2,160 grant recommended based on 90% of total project cost	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Crosby	

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
Duckegg Theatre Company	Performance at Edinburgh Fringe	£14,770.	£7,334	Group are covering production staffing costs at £2,500 and have been awarded an Arts Council grant of £3,000. A further Cooperative Community Fund application for £1,936 is awaiting decision Beneficiaries: 51 members of group and audiences in Edinburgh and across North Lincolnshire estimated at 2,200	Application is for help with the costs of staging performance at Edinburgh Fringe. Performance will then be performed in schools across North Lincolnshire. Previously awarded £1,500 £7,330 grant recommended	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Ferry	
South Ferriby Village Hall	Tidal Surge Flood Relief	£1,000	£1,000	Very low fund in bank. Flooding incident pressuring financial position	Additional expenditure of opening village hall for help and support of flood victims in December 2013 £1,000 grant recommended	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Brigg & Wolds	Village hall was much needed community resource in emergency situation
Winteringham Village Musical Project	Programme of musical events	£2,240	£2,090	Fund raising ongoing with £148.50 currently available with £400 in bank Beneficiaries: residents and other visitors	Application is for help with the cost of delivering a programme of musical events in Winteringham. £2,010 grant recommended	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Burton upon Stather and Winterton	

Application for Community Grant – Community Notice Boards

Group	Scheme	Total cost	Amount requested	Added Value: other funds	Comments	Contribution to council priorities	Contribution to statutory duties	Geographical	Community support
Haxey Parish Council	Replacement notice boards	£3,850	£3,080	Parish Council have £770 contribution to project (20%) Beneficiaries: whole community	Application is to replace two community notice boards £3,080 grant recommended	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Axholme South	

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
Barton Town Old Boys Football Club	Clubhouse refurbishment and sports development	£12,650	£10,120	Club currently have £3,200 in bank and have committed £2,530 of this to the project. Beneficiaries: approx. 2,500pa	Internal refurbishment is required to enhance user experience and increase social usage. £10,120 grant recommended	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Barton	
Kirmington & Croxton Parish Council	Village entry signs	£2,250	£675	Parish Council have £1,575 towards the cost of the project (70%) Beneficiaries: residents and visitors	Application meets the criteria and is to purchase and install three village entry signs £675 grant recommended	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Ferry	
Winterton Rangers	Junior football development	£3,757	£3,382	Club putting £375 from fundraising into project with £4,800 in bank. Beneficiaries: 71	Winterton Rangers wish to extend the opportunities provided to young people by developing their junior section. Application is for assistance with the cost of football goals and associated equipment facilitate this development. £3,380 grant recommended	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Burton upon Stather and Winterton	

Group	Scheme	Total cost	Amount requested	Added Value: other funds	Comments	Contribution to council priorities	Contribution to statutory duties	Geographical	Community support
Winterton Town Council	Grounds maintenance equipment	£7,255	£4,255	WTC putting £3,000 to project which is annual budget for grounds maintenance. Beneficiaries: whole community	Application is towards the initial purchase costs of a lawn mower to enable town council to undertake own grass cutting regime. Ongoing costs will be met from existing budgets. £4,255 grant recommended	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Burton upon Stather and Winterton	Several complaints from residents