

## **NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE COUNCIL**

**CUSTOMER SERVICES, SPORT AND LEISURE,  
ASSETS, CULTURE AND HOUSING,  
and  
CHILDREN'S SERVICES  
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 six 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 2015/16. To date, a total of £15,370 has been committed. This leaves £32,630 to allocate. The total amount required to support the applications covered by this report to the levels requested is £1,510.

5.1.2 The council has approved a capital budget of £696,000 for the Community Grant Fund in 2015/16. To date, a total of £520,820 has been committed. This leaves £175,180 to allocate. The total amount required to support the applications covered by this report to the levels requested is £69,197.

#### **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 1.

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

Community Grant Aid – Application packs

## Community Grant Aid – September 2015

## 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
8 <sup>th</sup> Ashby Guides	Premises Hire for Grange Primary School £30/hr x 1½hrs/wk x 30 weeks	£1,350	£1,210	Group have allocated £140 to costs with bank balance of £1,181. Fund raising for Cancer Research Beneficiaries: 18	Funds currently raised through subs, no fund raising activities under taken for premises costs. However, group have funds in reserves which could contribute to these costs. <b>£1,000 grant recommended</b>	Providing opportunity for young people to take part in guiding activities.	Complies with Statutory Guidance for Improving Young People's Wellbeing	Ashby	Popular activity providing positive activities for young people

## 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
Bottesford Town Council	Purchase of iPad	£400	£300	Town council have allocated £100 towards the cost of the project	Application for help with the cost of providing an Apple iPad for residents attending the Tea Pot Hall to be able to access the internet. <b>£300 grant recommended</b>	Stronger communities – creating opportunities for local people to take part in community activities	N/a	Bottesford	Application is at the request of members attending the Tea Pot Hall drop in sessions

## 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 upon Humber Trinity Methodist Church	Property restoration programme including disabled access/egress	£265,000	£30,000	Church putting £101,000 to project with £45,700 from Wren, £18,200 from Listed Places of Worship Roof Repair Fund, £20,000 private donations and a request for £50,000 from Methodist Church Connexional Grant Fund still pending	Application is for assistance with the costs of addressing disabled access and egress to community areas of the property. The overall project will restore the property to be an attractive fit for purpose community facility for the residents of Barton upon Humber <b>£30,000 grant recommended</b>	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Barton	Established community use. Users note access issues which need improvement
Lincoln Gardens Community Association	Extension for storage space and disabled toilets	£36,547	£28,547	Community Association have allocated £3,000 from current bank balance of £12,700 with annual running costs of £22,000. £5,000 from pre-school. Beneficiaries: all members and local residents	Application is to extend the current facility to allow additional storage space and disabled facilities. Normal maximum grant would be £15,000 for projects of this size, but there is a gap in funding for the project. <b>Recommendation: Members determine the level of grant, if any, to be offered</b>	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Kingsway & Lincoln Gardens	Community survey identified need for this project
Street Beat	Purchase Air Track and sprint board	£7,344	£5,644	Group have allocated £600 from own funds with bank balance of £6,400 however £5,900 is ring fenced to other projects Beneficiaries: approx. 100	Application is to purchase an Air Track and spring board to enable the safe practicing of dance tricks. Equipment to be stored at Belton/Epworth and used across North Lincolnshire <b>£5,650 grant recommended</b>	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	North Lincs	
Winterton Town Council	Youth Shelter for Marmion Drive Play Area	£7,000	£5,000	Application for £2,000 to Biffa is currently unconfirmed Beneficiaries: all young people in the area	Application is for assistance with the costs of installing a new youth shelter in Marmion Drive Park <b>£5,000 grant recommended</b>	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Burton upon Stather & Winterton	