

## 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 seven 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 £124,277.92 has been committed. This leaves £23,722.08 to allocate. The total amount required to support the applications covered by this report to the levels requested is £1,811.

5.1.2 The council has approved a capital budget of £300,000 for the Community Grant Fund in 2013/14. In addition, there is £250,000 for skate parks and multi use games areas and a £300,000 enhancement fund. To date, a total of £679,378 has been committed. This leaves £178,712 to allocate. The table below shows how this allocation is divided. The total amount required to support the applications covered by this report to the levels requested is £11,824.

	Budget	Committed	Balance Remaining
Capital (+slippage) (YL0028)	£308,090	£308,084	£6
Skate Parks & MUGAs (YL0042)	£250,000	£106,990	£143,010
Enhancement Fund (YL0051)	£300,000	£264,304	£35,696
Total	£858,090	£679,378	£178,712

#### 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 – January 2014

## Application for Community Grant – Individual

Individual	Scheme	Total cost	Amount requested	Added Value: other funds	Comments	Contribution to council priorities	Contribution to statutory duties	Geographical	Community support
Lewis May	Selected to RYA National Windsurfing transition team squad	£600+	£500	Own funds only	Lewis has been selected to the RYA RS:X Transition Training Squad (windsurfing) This is the step between the National Junior squad and the Youth squad which transfers foundation in the skills and attributes to the Olympic class windsurfing board for transition into the Youth Squad <b>£500 grant recommended and standard off peak gym &amp; swim package</b>	Stronger communities – creating opportunities for local people to take part in community activities.	N/a	Ferry	
Ruben Lansley	Selected to RYA National Windsurfing transition team squad	£600+	£500	Own funds only	Ruben has been selected to the RYA RS:X Transition Training Squad (windsurfing) This is the step between the National Junior squad and the Youth squad which transfers foundation in the skills and attributes to the Olympic class windsurfing board for transition into the Youth Squad <b>£500 grant recommended and standard off peak gym &amp; swim package</b>	Stronger communities – creating opportunities for local people to take part in community activities.	N/a	Barton upon Humber	
Steven Clark	Selected to Team GB for international competition in Triathlon and Quadrathlon	£620	£500	Own funds only	Steve has been selected to represent Great Britain in the Quadrathlon (swimming, cycling, running and Kayaking) World and European Championships <b>£500 grant recommended and standard off peak gym &amp; swim package</b>	Stronger communities – creating opportunities for local people to take part in community activities.	N/a	Ashby	

## 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
Epworth Old Rectory	Small multi strand project to improve visitor experience	£1,630	£1,460	Group have allocated £170 to the project from own funds. Bank account currently shows £25,000 unallocated reserves but close season still has running costs to come out. Beneficiaries: Approx 5,000 visitors over year	Application meets the criteria and is towards the cost of enhancing visitor experience: Wesley Spring Fair, new display, audio material, display labels refectory seating and an audio visual display monitor <b>£1,460 grant recommended</b>	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Axholme Central	
Messingham Bowls Club	Provision of secure boundary to reduce vandalism	£2,364	£1864	Parish Council £500 Own funds in bank £7,000 of which half is committed expenditure prior to start of next season. Beneficiaries: 300	Application meets the criteria and is to provide secure boundary on the site. There has been damage at the club as a result of intruders entering the premises through the existing hedge. <b>£1,860 grant recommended</b>	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Ridge	
Westcliff Community Centre	New double glazing and boilers to improve energy efficiency of the community centre	18,166	£8,500	£8,500 requested from VANL Community Pot Energy Efficiency Grant Own funds of £1,166 have been allocated to the project. Group have £64,000 in bank which is approx. 71% of turnover	Application covers items normally landlords responsibility. However as items are not defective, landlord has no plans to replace. The application does not meet the normal financial criteria for grant assistance. However, there are mitigating circumstances that would recommend approval in this case. <b>£8,500 grant recommended</b>	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Brumby	

## 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
Barton Broncos Football Club	Premises hire for winter training. Baysgarth School 10x sessions @ £34.64/session	£346.40	£311	Other costs met through club. Bank account balance £203 to cover additional costs of running club Beneficiaries: 24	Funds currently raised through subs. Looking into future fundraising opportunities. <b>£310 grant recommended</b>	Providing opportunity for young people to take part in sporting activities.	Complies with Statutory Guidance for Improving Young People's Wellbeing	Barton upon Humber	n/a