

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 19 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 £66,490 has been committed. This leaves £81,510 to allocate. The total amount required to support the applications covered by this report to the levels requested is £17,605.

5.1.2 The council has approved a revenue budget for 2014/15 of £15,000 for community notice boards. To date, a total of £600 has been committed. This leaves £14,400 to allocate. The total amount required to support the applications covered by this report to the levels requested is £2,690.

5.1.3 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 £13,500 has been committed. This leaves £61,500 to allocate. The total amount required to support the applications covered by this report to the levels requested is £1,000.

5.1.4 The council has approved a capital budget of £700,000 for the development of skate parks and Multi Use Games Areas (MUGA's) in 2014/15. There have been no allocations this year to date from this budget. The total amount required to support the application covered by this report to the level requested is £100,000.

5.1.5 The council has approved a capital budget of £300,000 for the Community Grant Fund in 2014/15. To date, a total of £ 224,809 has been committed. This leaves £75,191 to allocate. The total amount required to support the applications covered by this report to the levels requested is £59,335.

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 – June 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
Kevin Fish	World Duathlon Championship	£659	£500	Own funds only	Kevin has qualified to represent GB at the world Duathlon Championships in Spain £500 grant recommended plus off peak gym & swim package	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Ridge	N/a
Marcus Robinson	British Water Ski Squad	£2,050	£500	Own funds only	Marcus has been selected to the British Water Ski Squad £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

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
1 st Crosby Rainbows	Purchase new flag	£101	£75	Bank statement shows balance of £281 match funding at 25%. Beneficiaries: 20	Application is towards the cost of purchase a new Rainbows flag £75 grant recommended	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Crosby	
Brigg & District Netball Club	Premises hire Vale of Ancholme Sports Hall @ £25/hour x 3 hours/week x 45 weeks	£3,375	£2,500	Funding contribution of 26% Balance at 31 March was £3,800 Approx 110 beneficiaries	Application is towards the cost of premises hire for junior netball sessions £2,500 grant recommended	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Brigg & Wolds	

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 Football Club	Community management of council building	£11,500	£11,500	Community management will maintain public service at this venue at a reduced cost in accordance with the transforming leisure action plan	Application is to cover the initial start-up costs including legal fees, insurance, utility bills and staffing until regular income is established £11,500 grant recommended	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Bottesford	
Isle of Axholme Horticultural Society	Gardening for All	£1,470	£1,180	£2,368 in bank of which £290 (20% contribution) is for this project. Remainder for speakers and towards trips. Beneficiaries: approx. 200	Application is towards the cost of staging annual show and for a special speaker. £1,180 grant recommended	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Axholme Central	
Rescue Day	Rescue Day	£17,000	£10,000	£7,00 from other fundraising and sponsorship and balance dependant on ticket sales on the day Beneficiaries: residents of North Lincolnshire	Application for help with the cost of delivery emergency services day £10,000 grant recommended	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Axholme North	Multiple blue light agency support for this important community safety event
Winterton Model Flying Club	Winterton Model Flying Show	£4,150	£2,200	Group have £6,638 in bank of which £1,950 is allocated to the project. Remainder is for general operating costs Beneficiaries: Approx 2,500	Application is for assistance with staging an improved show to include static and flying model aircraft and full sized air display of early planes. £2,200 grant recommended	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Burton upon Stather & Winterton	

Group	Scheme	Total cost	Amount requested	Added Value: other funds	Comments	Contribution to council priorities	Contribution to statutory duties	Geographical	Community support
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 meets the criteria and is to provide transport for elderly/disabled members. £500 grant recommended	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 – 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
Hibaldstow Parish Council	Purchase of two new noticeboards	£3,590	£2,692	Bank accounts show £36,600 but £20,000 earmarked for creation of allotment site and further £15,000 precept for 14/15. Good contribution at 25%. Beneficiaries: whole community	Application is to purchase two noticeboards for the village £2,690 grant recommended	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Ridge	

Application for Community Grant – Skate Parks and MUGAs

Group	Scheme	Total cost	Amount requested	Added Value: other funds	Comments	Contribution to council priorities	Contribution to statutory duties	Geographical	Community support
Barnetby Parish Council – Recreation Field Trust	Redevelopment of Barnetby Recreational Field	£273,481	£100,000	Partnership funding of £45,208 approved, with a further £128,003 awaiting decision. Bank account has £53,000 of which £33,000 is for this project, the balance is normal parish precept. Beneficiaries: approx. 1,600 residents plus others from surrounding area	Application is for help with the cost of improving community facilities including a Multi Use Games Area (MUGA) and skate park. Funding earmarked in the council's capital programme 2014/5 £100,000 grant recommended	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Brigg & Wolds	Community consultation event held. Letters of support received inc. local school.

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
All Saints' Church Winterton	Additional restoration work	£8,905.90	£5,000	£585 from Heritage Lottery Fund, £3,302.90 from group. Bank balance currently holds funding for main capital works as part of the project but residue is approx. £9,000 representing 3 months turnover. Beneficiaries: Annual footfall of 10,000 expected to rise when works completed	Application is for additional restoration works as part of a previously supported project to create community space and a heritage facility. £5,000 grant recommended	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Burton upon Stather & Winterton	
Cadney All Saints' Church	Refurbishment of church hall	£24,814	£22,000	Parish Council have given £2,940 Beneficiaries: all residents of Cadney/Howsham and surrounding area	Application is to help with the cost of refurbishing the church hall to allow use as a community building. Normal max grant of £15,000 grant recommended	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Ridge	

Group	Scheme	Total cost	Amount requested	Added Value: other funds	Comments	Contribution to council priorities	Contribution to statutory duties	Geographical	Community support
Epworth Bowls Club	Grounds maintenance equipment	£536	£436	Bank balance of £1,001 of which £100 is available for project (19%) Beneficiaries: 24 members plus visiting teams	Application is towards the cost of a new sprayer for bowling green maintenance. £430 grant recommended	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Axholme Central	
Epworth Imperial Hall	Improvements to community hall	£11,845	£7,925	Epworth Town Council £750, WREN £ 2,500. Own funds balance. Beneficiaries: Residents of Epworth and surrounding communities.	Application is for improvements to community hall. £7,920 grant recommended	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Axholme Central	
Epworth Town Council	Playground improvements at Kings Head Croft	£48,544	£14,585	£15,000 own funding and WREN application for £18,958.41 Beneficiaries: residents and visitors	Application is towards the cost of providing new and additional play equipment for 8-15 year olds to complement existing toddler play area and disability access. £14,585 grant recommended	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Axholme Central	
Lincoln & Lindsey Blind Society	Launchpad project – purchase of 15 iPadAir with cases, and volunteer expenses	£21,580	£5,000	£9,956 from Awards for All, £3,830 from several small donations and £2,794 from group. Bank account balance £54,197 Beneficiaries: Current waiting list of over 55 people	Application is towards the cost of project aimed to introduce and offer training on the use of iPad as recommended by the RNIB for those with low vision or no sight as specialised apps are available. N Lincs Wellbeing Centres offered as a venue. £5,000 grant recommended	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	North Lincolnshire	Application supported by council's Universal Prevention Service (Adults)
Saxby All Saints Parish Council	Refurbishment of Victoria Monument to include war memorial for WWI & WWII	£9,900	£9,000	Parish council precept has allowed £900 for project. Beneficiaries: village residents	Application is towards the cost of refurbishing the existing Victoria Monument and to include memorial plaque for men of the village who died in WWI & II. It is then planned for the monument to be rededicated as the War Memorial. £9,000 grant recommended	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Brigg & Wolds	

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St Paul's Church Hall	Access Improvements	£2,800	£2,400	Management committee have £13,199 showing on latest bank statement. This figure is currently inflated as utility and insurance bills are currently outstanding. Club have offered £400 to project (15%) Beneficiaries: all hall users	Application is for help with the cost of improving access to this busy community hall. £2,400 grant recommended	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Ashby	