

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 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 normally £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 2016/17. To date, a total of £54,271 has been committed. This leaves £93,729 to allocate. The total amount required to support the applications covered by this report to the levels requested is £9,155.

5.1.2 The council has approved a capital budget of £500,000 for the Community Grant Fund in 2016/17. To date, a total of £95,440 has been committed. This leaves £404,560 to allocate. The total amount required to support the applications covered by this report to the levels requested is £14,480.

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 – March 2016

Application for Community Grant – Individuals

Group	Scheme	Total cost	Amount requested	Added Value: other funds	Comments	Cabinet Members agreed amount	Contribution to council priorities & Community Support	Contribution to statutory duties	Geographical
Ben Baugh	Qualified to represent GB at European Triathlon Championships	£746	£500	Own funds only	Ben has qualified for the ETU Sprint Distance Triathlon European Championships in Lisbon in May 2016 £500 grant recommended including off peak gym and swim package	£500	Make our communities safer and stronger – encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Ferry
Megan Durning	Selected to Team GB in Dance World Cup Finals	£720	£720	Own funds only	Megan has been selected to Team GB in Dance World Cup Finals £500 grant recommended including off peak gym and swim package	£500	Make our communities safer and stronger – encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Axholme Central

Application for Community Grant – Children and Young People Focus

Group	Scheme	Total cost	Amount requested	Added Value: other funds	Comments	Cabinet Members agreed amount	Contribution to council priorities & Community Support	Contribution to statutory duties	Geographical
Barnetby Youth Activities	Premises hire: Barnetby Village Hall @ £30 per session	£630	£440	Group have allocated £190 to costs with bank balance of £1,320 and £500 of outstanding costs to pay Beneficiaries: 35	Actively fundraising, this application is for the cost of venue hire for April 2016 to March 2017 £440 grant recommended (70%)	£440	Providing opportunity for young people to take part in guiding activities	Complies with Statutory Guidance for Improving Young People's Wellbeing	Brigg & Wolds
Belton Rainbow Guides	Premises hire: Belton Primary @£15/hr x 30 1 hr sessions x 2 yrs	£900	£800	Group have £100 towards the costs over the last two years. Beneficiaries: 27 £451 in bank.	Active with own fundraising. We do not routinely support retrospective applications. However some RYO's have had difficulty getting used to the transfer from the old youth grant scheme which was retrospective £630 grant recommended (70%)	£630	Providing opportunity for young people to take part in guiding activities	Complies with Statutory Guidance for Improving Young People's Wellbeing	Axholme Central
Epworth Rainbow Guides	Premises hire: Thurlow Pavilion @ £10/hr x 1hr 10 for 2014 22 for 2014/15 33 for 2015/16	£650	£500	Group have £150 towards the costs over the last three years. Beneficiaries: 22 £297 in bank	We do not routinely support retrospective applications. However some RYO's have had difficulty getting used to the transfer from the old youth grant scheme which was retrospective. Active with own fundraising. £455 grant recommended (70%)	£455	Providing opportunity for young people to take part in guiding activities	Complies with Statutory Guidance for Improving Young People's Wellbeing	Axholme Central

Application for Community Grant – Revenue

Group	Scheme	Total cost	Amount requested	Added Value: other funds	Officer Comments	Cabinet Members agreed amount	Contribution to council priorities & Community Support	Contribution to statutory duties	Geographical
Barton Carnival	Barton Carnival 2016	£15,000	£3,000	Group have allocated £3,500 to project with additional £1,000 from Barton Town Council and £7,500 from last years event. Beneficiaries: c7,000	Application for £3,000 help towards the £15,000 anticipated cost of holding a family event in Barton this summer. We do not routinely support annual events. Members have advised that each application of this type will be considered on its own merit if the applicant can make a case for NLC funding being essential for the event to go ahead. Recommendation: Members determine the level of grant, if any, to be offered	£3,000	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Barton
Brigg Hockey Club	Hockey in the Community	£3,230	£2,730	Group contributing £500. Approx. £3,500 in reserves Beneficiaries: 60	Applicant asking for £2,730 of £3,230 cost of new hockey equipment as old equipment is unusable and insufficient for the club growth. £2,730 grant recommended	£2,000	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Brigg & Wolds
ST-ART	ST-ART 2016	£6,481	£4,547	Group have allocated £1,430 to project with additional £504 from Waterside Artists Cooperative Beneficiaries: 56	Application for £4,547 help with the £6,481 cost of Summer holiday Arts Award classes and an after school cooking club to encourage healthy eating. We do not routinely pay staffing costs, but recognise that help is sometimes needed with these for holiday clubs. Contribution is sessional income. £4,540 grant recommended	£2,000	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Barton
Wrawby Wrigglers	New parent & Toddler group	£815	£736	Group have applied for £50 from SSE (Decision yet to be taken) Wrawby Parish Council have agreed to grant £79 (insurance costs) Beneficiaries: 26	Application for help with the cost of starting up a village parent and toddler group. £730 grant recommended	£500	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects Parents and carers identified need	N/a	Brigg & Wolds

Application for Community Grant – Capital

Group	Scheme	Total cost	Amount requested	Added Value: other funds	Officer Comments	Cabinet Members agreed amount	Contribution to council priorities & Community Support	Contribution to statutory duties	Geographical
Low Burnham Village Centre	Accoustic Improvements	£3,091	£2,591	Group have allocated £500 towards costs with bank balance of £2,900. Remaining funds for normal running costs Beneficiaries: all users	Application for £ 2,591.20 help with the £3,091.20 cost of installing acoustic clouds following concerns raised by users of not being able to hear properly at events in the hall. £2,590 grant recommended	£2,590	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Axholme Central
North Lincolnshire and Humberside Sailing Club	Feva Challenge youth sailing scheme	£24,044	£11,889	Group have allocated £2,155 from reserves of £27,283. High reserves as club are working towards major building development to replace their clubhouse. Beneficiaries: 76	Application for £11,889 help with the £24,044 cost of purchasing 6 junior sailing dinghies to make sailing accessible to young people. The RS Feva is a RYA supported class feeding into the pathway for developing the necessary skills and knowledge to progress to youth and Olympic squads. Good fundraising (£2,155) and partnership funds (subject to Sport England approval) Plan to work with local schools (Baysgarth) to develop junior participation. £11,890 grant recommended	£10,000	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Barton