

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 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 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 £82,557 has been committed. This leaves £65,443 to allocate. The total amount required to support the applications covered by this report to the levels requested is £7,158.

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 £108,030 has been committed. This leaves £391,970 to allocate. The total amount required to support the applications covered by this report to the levels requested is £4,780.

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 – April 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
Jason Frary	Selected to Team GB for the Triathlon World Championships	£689	£500	Own funds only	Jason has been selected to represent team Great Britain in the European Triathlon championships which are to be held in Lisbon, Portugal on the 27th 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	Burton upon Stather and Winterton
Andrew Holt	Selected to Team GB for the Duathlon World Championships 2016 and 2017	£995	£500	Own funds only	Andrew has been selected to Team GB for the 2016 Aviles ITU Standard Distance Duathlon World Championships June 4th/5 th and the 2017 ETU European championships £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	Burton upon Stather and Winterton
Sheehan Quirke	Selected to Team GB for the Duathlon World Championships	£900	£500	Own funds only	Sheehan has been selected to Team GB for the 2016 Aviles ITU Standard Distance Duathlon World Championships June 4th/5 th £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	Brigg

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
1 st Frodingham Guides	Premises hire: Frodingham Church Hall @ £10/hr x 1½hrs x 34 weeks	£510	£459	Group have allocated £51 (10%) to costs with bank balance of £774 Beneficiaries: 31	Actively fundraising, this application is for the cost of venue hire for April 2016 to March 2017 £360 grant recommended	£360	Providing opportunity for young people to take part in guiding activities	Complies with Statutory Guidance for Improving Young People's Wellbeing	Town

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
3 rd Bottesford Guides	Premises hire: Holme Valley Primary @£19/hr x 1 hr x 30 weeks	£570	£500	Group have allocated £70 (12½%) to costs with bank balance of £403 Beneficiaries: 30	Actively fundraising, this application is for the cost of venue hire for April 2016 to March 2017 £400 grant recommended	£400	Providing opportunity for young people to take part in guiding activities	Complies with Statutory Guidance for Improving Young People's Wellbeing	Bottesford

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
Kay Traviss Youth Dance Group	'All that fame' production	£4,898	£4,898	Applicant has £1,013 in bank for some of the costs and there will be income from ticket sales (last year c£1,165) (£4,898-£1,013-£1,165=£2,720) Beneficiaries: c500	This application is for 100% help towards the anticipated cost of dance rehearsals and production at The Plowright Theatre, July 2016. An application to Awards for All has been unsuccessful. 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	£2,500 final grant	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Town

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
Haxey Parish Council	Refurbishment of War Memorials	£5,781	£4,781	Group have allocated £1,000 towards costs with bank balance of £40,579 (annual precept). Remaining funds for normal running costs Beneficiaries: all users	Application for help with the anticipated cost of restoring war memorials in the parish at Burrells Corner on the A161 in Haxey and in the Closed Churchyard of St Nicholas Church, Haxey. The group are working with the council's specialist support to make sure that the right work is undertaken. £4,780 grant recommended	£1,000	Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects	N/a	Axholme South