

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 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 £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 £38,658 has been committed. This leaves £109,342 to allocate. The total amount required to support the applications covered by this report to the levels requested is £18,139.

5.1.2 The council has approved a capital budget of £300,000 for the Community Grant Fund in 2013/14. To date, a total of £142,940 has been committed. This leaves £157,060 to allocate. The total amount required to support the applications covered by this report to the levels requested is £28,690.

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 – March 2013

Application for Community Grant – Individual

Group	Scheme	Total cost	Amount requested	Added Value: other funds	Comments	Contribution to council priorities	Contribution to statutory duties	Geographical	Community support
Steve Clark	Selected to Team GB Iron Man World Championships in Hawaii	£5,500	£500	Own funds only	This application meets the criteria and is towards the costs of travel and accommodation. Mr Clark is actively using his skills and experience to support local opportunities for participation £500 grant recommended	Stronger communities – creating opportunities for local people to take part in community activities.	N/a	Bottesford	

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
Madani Community Development Foundation	To continue to run homework club for socially deprived young people in Crosby.	£7,860	£7,074	Club have £1,658 in bank and have allocated £786 to this project. Beneficiaries:15-20	This application meets the criteria in part (staffing costs are not normally covered) and is to continue running a homework club. Members to decide level of grant to be awarded	Stronger communities – creating opportunities for local people to take part in community activities.	N/a	Crosby & Park	
North Lincs Combined Gateways	Application is to support the cost of taking ten people with learning difficulties to the UK Special Olympics in Bath during August 2013.	£5,225	£5,335	Any shortfall in funding will have to be met by participants attending. Beneficiaries: 13	This application meets the criteria and is to cover the costs of ten people with learning difficulties and three carers to attend the Special Olympics. Members to decide level of grant to be awarded	Stronger communities – creating opportunities for local people to take part in community activities.	N/a	North Lincolnshire wide	
Scunthorpe Museum Society Art Group	The group are arranging a year long programme of events consisting of speakers, demonstrations, workshops, lectures, visits and outdoor painting trip.	£2,036.50	£1,800	Club have £236.50 available for the project. Bank statement currently shows £2,166 Beneficiaries: 30-50	This application meets the criteria and is to contribute to activity programme. £1,800 grant recommended	Stronger communities – creating opportunities for local people to take part in community activities.	N/a	Based in Brumby ward	

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.	£630.50	£500	Group have allocated £130.50 to the project and have £1,370 in bank with annual turnover of approx. £3,000. 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 – Capital

Group	Scheme	Total cost	Amount requested	Added Value: other funds	Comments	Contribution to council priorities	Contribution to statutory duties	Geographical	Community support
Alkborough Cricket Club	To purchase cricket pitch roller to help maintain cricket square at a suitable standard	£12,744	£10,744	Alkborough Cricket Club have £5439 in bank. £2,000 of this has been allocated to this project, remainder for normal operating/maintenance Beneficiaries: approx. 150	This application meets the criteria and is to purchase new pitch roller £10,750 grant recommended	Stronger communities – creating opportunities for local people to take part in community activities	N/a	Burton upon Stather & Winterton	
Belton Barrows	To restart the traditional annual Belton Barrow Race	£5,600	£3,500	Belton Parish Council have given £800, group have £1,500 for project from own fundraising efforts and currently have £890 in bank. Beneficiaries: Over 500	This application meets the criteria and is to recreate the annual Barrow Race in Belton. £3,500 grant recommended	Stronger communities – creating opportunities for local people to take part in community activities.	N/a	Axholme Central	Strong local support with fund raising etc
Eastoft Community Welfare Association (ECWA)	To replace and improve outdoor play facility in village	£15,587	£13,500	Eastoft Parish Council £750, ECWA have £7,647 in bank, £1,337 allocated to this project, remainder for normal operating costs Beneficiaries: Approx 300	This application meets the criteria and is to provide new play equipment in this isolated rural community. £13,500 grant recommended	Stronger communities – creating opportunities for local people to take part in community activities	N/a	Axholme North	Local residents and key user groups have been consulted
Owston Ferry Bowls Club	Replacement of toilet facilities	£1,039	£1,039	Group have £2,400 in bank for normal running costs of site Beneficiaries: Over 100	This application meets the criteria and is to provide a low cost replacement for essential sanitary facilities at the club. £940 grant recommended	Stronger communities – creating opportunities for local people to take part in community activities.	N/a	Axholme South	Comments from members and visitors

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
1 st Barnetby Brownies	Use of school for provision of guiding activities	£877.50	£790	The group have £0.92 in bank. ²⁷ Beneficiaries: 19	Funds currently raised through subs. Looking into future fundraising opportunities. £790 grant recommended based on 90% max Community Grant	Providing opportunity for young people to take part in brownie activities	Complies with Statutory Guidance for Improving Young People's Wellbeing		N/a
Scunthorpe Cooperative Junior Choir	Use of school for rehearsals	£2,370	£2,370	Groups bank account currently showing £11,391. However, much of this is earmarked, eg apprentice salary, purchase of new equipment/music and the remainder is for a trip that the choir will take later in the year. Beneficiaries: 165	£945 raised through own fundraising efforts this year. £2,140 grant recommended based on 90% max Community Grant	Providing positive opportunity for young people to take part in leisure time activities	Complies with Statutory Guidance for Improving Young People's Wellbeing		N/a