

## **NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE COUNCIL**

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| <p><b>CUSTOMER SERVICES, SPORT &amp; LEISURE<br/>ASSET MANAGEMENT, CULTURE &amp; HOUSING,<br/>AND<br/>PEOPLE<br/>CABINET MEMBERS</b></p> |
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### **COMMUNITY GRANT FUND APPLICATIONS**

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| <p><b>1. OBJECT AND KEY POINTS IN THIS REPORT</b></p> |
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| <p>1.1 To consider applications received by the council for financial assistance via the Community Grant Fund.</p> <p>1.2 The key point of the report is as follows.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• We have received 12 applications for community grant aid. These need considering against the scheme criteria and available funds.</li></ul> |
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**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 £138,556.33 has been committed. This leaves £9,443.67 to allocate. The total amount required to support the applications covered by this report to the levels requested is £7,300.

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 £811,198 has been committed. This leaves £46,892 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 £56,870.

|                                 | Budget   | Committed | Balance Remaining |
|---------------------------------|----------|-----------|-------------------|
| Capital (+slippage)<br>(YL0028) | £308,090 | £308,084  | £6                |
| Skate Parks & MUGAs<br>(YL0042) | £250,000 | £226,990  | £23,010           |
| Enhancement Fund<br>(YL0051)    | £300,000 | £276,124  | £23,876           |
| Total                           | £858,090 | £811,198  | £46,892           |

#### 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 – February 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 |
|------------|--------------------------------|------------|------------------|--------------------------|---|---|----------------------------------|--------------|-------------------|
| Amy Baker  | Selected to England Judo Squad | £850       | £500             | Own funds only           | Amy has been selected to train with the Pre-Cadet England Squad by the British Judo Association and to compete in Holland and Belgium<br><b>£500 grant recommended plus off peak gym &amp; swim package</b> | Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects | N/a                              | Bottesford   | N/a               |

## 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 |
|------------------------|---|------------|------------------|---|--|---|----------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| Epworth Music Day 2014 | Annual Epworth Music Day event to be held on 21 June 2014 | £2,404     | £1,671           | Group contributing volunteer time. £550 in the current account of which £500 is a grant from Epworth Town Council for this project. Further sponsorship of £253 has been offered by a local insurance agent. Beneficiaries: approx. 1,100 | Eligible project. To hold annual event in Epworth. Positive impact on local traders<br><b>£1,670 grant recommended</b> | 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   | Contribution to council priorities  | Contribution to statutory duties  | Geographical            | Community support  |
|---|---|------------|------------------|--|--|---|---|-------------------------|--|
| Haxey Cricket Club                              | Premises hire for winter training. St Lawrence Academy<br>18 weeks x 2 hours per week x£35 per hour | £1,260     | £630             | Other costs met through club. Bank account balance £6,933<br>Beneficiaries: 33 young people          | Active in fundraising towards club costs.<br><b>£630 grant recommended</b>   | Providing opportunity for young people to take part in sporting activities. | Complies with Statutory Guidance for Improving Young People's Wellbeing | Axholme South           | n/a  |
| North Lincolnshire Youth Council                | Youth engagement and celebration Event  | £5,350     | £3,000           | £1,500 own fundraising, £ 750 food from Café Indie   | Carnival themed event in the new Indie Café to engage with young people and provide information<br><b>£3,000 grant recommended</b> | Celebrate and engage children and young people                              | N/a   | North Lincolnshire wide | Young Mayor, positive activities survey. Community partners. |
| Scunthorpe & District Colts Cricket Association | Premises hire for winter training. St Lawrence Academy<br>23 weeks x 3 hours per week x£30 per hour | £2,070     | £1,500           | Other costs met through club. Bank account balance approx. £4,000<br>Beneficiaries: 125 young people | Funds currently raised through subs.<br><b>£1,500 grant recommended</b>  | Providing opportunity for young people to take part in sporting activities. | Complies with Statutory Guidance for Improving Young People's Wellbeing | North Lincolnshire wide | n/a  |

## 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  |
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| Appleby Frodingham Works Bowls Club | Construction of an access ramp to club house | £12,420    | £12,420          | Group have not allocated funds to the project. £1,405 in the current account and £2,115 in a reserve account and an annual expenditure of £4,000.<br>Beneficiaries: 31 members plus visiting clubs. Many members from all groups are infirm and struggle with the pavilion steps. | Eligible project. However this scheme does not satisfy the normal criteria as the minimum contribution rate has not been achieved.<br><b>£11,180 (90%) grant recommended</b> | Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects | N/a                              | Kingsway with Lincoln Gardens | Contributes to JSNA need for increased activities for older people |

| Group   | Scheme   | Total cost | Amount requested | Added Value: other funds  | Comments   | Contribution to council priorities  | Contribution to statutory duties | Geographical       | Community support  |
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| Barton Allotment Society                          | Site security works at main gate                                 | £1,378     | £690             | Group have allocated half of the cost of the project from own funds. Bank account currently shows £2,220 unallocated reserves. Beneficiaries: 76 members                  | Application meets the criteria and is towards the cost of improving security at the allotments. The society are planning to keep the existing gates as they are of architectural interest to the history of the group.<br><b>£690 grant recommended</b>  | Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects | N/a                              | Barton upon Humber | Members concerns   |
| Community Heritage Arts and Media Project (CHAMP) | Hall ventilation scheme and tables/chairs and catering equipment | £19,500    | £19,500          | Able to commit £2,000 of volunteer time, but no cash funds available.   | Eligible scheme to complete the Hub. However this scheme does not satisfy the normal criteria as the minimum contribution rate has not been achieved.<br><b>Recommendation: That the Cabinet Members consider whether to approve an exception to the normal grant criteria in this instance and if so, to determine the level of grant to be awarded</b> | Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects | N/a                              | Barton upon Humber | Public consultation as part of CAFF refurbishment scheme |
| Friends of Ealand Park                            | Ealand Park toddler area refurbishment                           | £24,450    | £4,000           | Applications made to Keadby Grange Windfarm (£15,000) and EON Windfarm (£5,000) and £450 of own funding. Bank account currently shows £441.01. Beneficiaries: approx. 100 | Application meets the criteria and is to replace play facilities for toddlers.<br><b>£4,000 grant recommended</b>  | Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects | N/a                              | Axholme North      | Crowle Town Council, Street Sport, Users                 |
| ECC of St Andrews, Kirton in Lindsey              | Improvement of church hall                                       | £5,690     | £5,000           | Church has allocated £690 towards the cost of this work. Currently £23,000 in bank Beneficiaries: Approx 300  | Application meets the criteria for community use and is to install acoustic panels to improve sound quality in the room and to install new kitchen units<br><b>£5,000 grant recommended</b>  | Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects | N/a                              | Ridge              | Customer comments  |

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| Luddington Village Hall     | Energy efficiency works                           | £15,219    | £4,000           | £10,000 requested from SSE Keadby Wind Farm Community Fund with balance of £1,219 from own funds of £4,410<br>Beneficiaries: local residents  | Application meets scheme criteria and is to upgrade the buildings lighting to LED units to reduce electricity bills.<br><b>£4,000 grant recommended</b>  | Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects | N/a                              | Axholme North                     | Community groups, parish council and local primary school |
| Winteringham Parish Council | Replacement safety surfacing under play equipment | £13,966    | £12,500          | Parish council have allocated £1,466 from own funds for this work. Bank statements show balance of £7,203 to cover normal operating costs.<br>Beneficiaries: all children in village and surrounding area | This application meets the scheme criteria and is to replace the safety surfacing under existing play equipment to ensure continued safety of children using facilities.<br><b>£12,500 grant recommended</b> | Make our communities safer and stronger – Encourage volunteering and support community projects | N/a                              | Burton upon Stather and Winterton | Families who visit the park                               |