

NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE COUNCIL

**CUSTOMER SERVICES, SPORT & LEISURE
ASSET MANAGEMENT, CULTURE & HOUSING,
AND
PEOPLE
CABINET MEMBERS**

COMMUNITY GRANT AID 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 five 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 £200,000 for the Community Grant Fund in 2012/13. To date, a total of £196,256.33 has been committed. This leaves £3,743.67 to allocate. The total amount required to support the applications covered by this report to the levels requested is £1,490.

5.1.2 The report includes two capital applications which will require funding in 2013/14, which total £66,000, subject to Council approval of the budget.

5.2 Staffing, Property and IT

5.2.1 There are no staffing, property or IT related implications to consider.

6. OTHER IMPLICATIONS (STATUTORY, ENVIRONMENTAL, DIVERSITY, SECTION 17 - CRIME AND DISORDER, RISK AND OTHER)

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

- 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 pack

Community Grant Aid – January 2013

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
Winteringham Methodist Church	Enhancement of The Barn at Winteringham Methodist Chapel to include installation of a lift, disabled/unisex toilet, new kitchen, re-wiring, new external steps, replacement of windows and doors and a new heating system	£77,765 + VAT	£30,000	North Lincolnshire Homes £3,000 Awards for All £10,000 Both confirmed Leader £50,000 not confirmed Biffa, Cemex & Wren - applications submitted, amounts not know or confirmed. Church fundraising currently £10,000 and to continue. Other than the funding earmarked for this project the church has £5,600 for normal running expenses Beneficiaries: whole community and open to wider area as requested	Application for financial year 2013/14 This application meets the criteria and is towards the cost of enhancement of The Barn at Winteringham Methodist Chapel £30,000 grant recommended	Stronger communities – creating opportunities for local people to take part in community activities.	N/a	Burton upon Stather & Winterton	Letters of supports from Parish Council and local groups. Local village hall used daily by under 5s group limiting access for other community activities
All Saint's Church, Winterton (Winterton Parochial Church Council (WPCC))	Improvements to the access and amenities within the building to meet wider variety of community needs and the creation of space within the church for heritage study, interpretation and display enabling the church to become a focus for community heritage.	£875,000	£25,000	Heritage Lottery Fund £665,500 already passed stage 1 assessment awaiting stage 2 decision WPCC - £40,000. WREN £75,000, Wolfson Foundation £10,000, LEADER £19,784, Allchurches Trust £7,500, Church Buildings Council £13,500, Winterton Town Council £4,000, Bernard Sunley Charitable Foundation £3,000 and other smaller donations totalling £4,200 Further applications are awaiting decision. Beneficiaries: annual footfall over recent years of over 10,000 – expected to increase with additional capacity available	Application for financial year 2013/14 This application was originally considered in June 2012 and deferred. Further funding is now in place and it is hoped the project will progress during the coming financial year. £25,000 grant recommended	Stronger communities – creating opportunities for local people to take part in community activities.	N/a	Burton upon Stather & Winterton	Consultations involving congregation and wider community. Much local interest especially in heritage focus and additional luncheon club. Many letters of support received.

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East Butterwick Playing Field Association	Provide permanent surface to village hall car park	£22,002	£11,000	East Butterwick Parish Council £5,500 Own Funds £5,5500 Reserves: £13,400 allocated to repairs to safety surfacing in play area Beneficiaries: village hall and playing field users	Application for financial year 2013/14 Unlikely to be funded from other sources. Scheme improves access to social and recreation activities. £11,000 grant recommended	Stronger communities – creating opportunities for local people to take part in community activities.	N/a	Ridge	Complaints from village hall users regarding current condition

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
Messingham Cricket Club	Use of school for provision of indoor training sessions	£720	£500	Group have £3200 in bank which is reserved for insurance costs and upkeep of the ground and pavilion. Beneficiaries: 191 young people	Funds currently raised through subs. Looking into future fundraising opportunities. £720 grant recommended based on 90% max Community Grant	Providing opportunity for young people to take part in sporting activities.	Complies with Statutory Guidance for Improving Young People's Wellbeing		N/a
1 st Scawby Brownie Unit	Use of school for provision of guiding activities	£856.66	£856.66	The group have £396 in bank which is to cover costs of running the group Beneficiaries: 20 young people	Funds currently raised through subs. Looking into future fundraising opportunities. £770 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