

**NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE COUNCIL**

**SPORT, LEISURE AND CULTURE  
CABINET MEMBER**

**LEISURE GRANT AID APPLICATIONS**

**1. OBJECT AND KEY POINTS IN THIS REPORT**

- 1.1 To consider applications for financial assistance.
- 1.2 The key points of the report are as follows.
- There are four different leisure grant aid schemes.
  - We have received six bids for grant aid. These need considering against the scheme criteria and available funds.

**2. BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

2.1 There are three grant aid schemes covered by this report.

- Sports Grant Scheme - Individuals  
For sport/recreation grant aid to individuals, the scheme helps athletes selected to national teams/squads with travel and training costs. Normally the maximum award is 50% of costs, up to a maximum of £250.
- Sports Grant Scheme - Groups  
For grants to groups, the scheme helps small sport projects. Normally the maximum award is 90% of project costs, up to a maximum of £600.
- Leisure Capital Grant Programme  
This is for community sport, arts or heritage capital projects of community benefit. Normally the maximum award is 50% of project costs up to a maximum grant of £15,000. For projects with a total capital cost in excess of £60,000 groups could be eligible for one grant of up to £30,000 in any five-year period.

### **3. OPTIONS FOR CONSIDERATION**

3.1 A summary of the applications we have received is set out in Appendix 1.

3.2 Our options are limited to:

- 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 in our grant aid schemes for assistance up to the levels shown in the attached table unless stated otherwise. There are sufficient funds in our various grant budgets to provide the amounts recommended.

4.2 Offering grant support at a reduced level, or rejection of an application would mean that there is financial support to others during the year but could mean that the project will not progress.

### **5. RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS (FINANCIAL, STAFFING, PROPERTY, IT)**

5.1 Financial

5.1.1 The Sports Grant Aid budget for this year is £10,390. There is £3,086 left in this budget. The amount required to support the schemes in this report totals £1,000.

5.1.2 The Leisure Capital Grant Programme budget for this year is £200,000. There is £9,200 left in this budget. The amount required to support the schemes in this report fully is £14,300.

5.2 Staffing, Property and IT

5.2.1 There are no implications for staffing, property or IT.

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

6.1 We are working hard to reach our diversity plan outcomes. One way of doing this is by providing support to Village Halls and disabled athletes.

6.2 One of the benefits of increasing participation in active recreation is the opportunity to reduce crime and anti-social behaviour. This is by using active recreation as a diversionary activity. Our grant aid schemes help facilitate increased participation.

6.3 There are no other related implications.

## **7. OUTCOMES OF CONSULTATION**

- 7.1 A lot of work is done to support the groups applying for grant aid. They have worked hard to develop projects for their communities. They are often frustrated by their inability to lever in sufficient funds to bring a deserving community project to fruition. They need a grant of sufficient proportions to help lever in enough funds from other sources to make their project happen.

## **8. RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 8.1 That we offer support to the applicants requesting grant aid as detailed in Appendix 1.

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### **Background Papers used in the preparation of this report**

Leisure Services Grant Aid – Application pack



## Leisure Services Grant Aid – November 2009

ORGANISATION /INDIVIDUAL	SCHEME	TOTAL COST	AMOUNT REQUESTED/ GRANT STREAM	OTHER FUNDS	COMMENTS
Max Bushell	Selected to Royal Yachting Association National Junior Under 17 Windsurfing Squad	£2,000	£250 Sports Grant Scheme – Individuals	Applied for £500 grant from SportsAid – not confirmed	This application meets the criteria and is for assistance with the costs of travel and accommodation to attend training sessions. <b>£250 grant recommended.</b>
Emma Labourne	Selected to Royal Yachting Association National Junior Under 17 Windsurfing Squad	£2,250	£250 Sports Grant Scheme – Individuals	Applied for £500 grant from SportsAid – not confirmed	This application meets the criteria and is for assistance with the costs of travel and accommodation to attend training sessions. <b>£250 grant recommended.</b>
Haxey Cricket Club	Installation of synthetic cricket wicket	£5,500	£600 Sports Grant Scheme – Groups	£3,000 confirmed from The Lords Taverners Club funds to cover remaining amount	This application meets the criteria and is for assistance with the cost of installing a synthetic cricket wicket <b>£600 grant recommended.</b>
North Lindsey College	Assault Course	£24,000	£6,000 Leisure Capital Grants	Learning & Skills Council £6,000 Own funds £12,000	This application meets the criteria. <b>£3,000 grant recommended subject to securing satisfactory arrangements for community access/use of facility.</b>

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South Ferriby Parish Council	Construction of multi use games area	£94,192	£6,650 Leisure Capital Grants	Leader £47,000 confirmed with additional £12,192 awaiting decision. WREN £15,000 confirmed. Sport England £2,500. Parish Council funds £3,000. Other fund raising £9,500	This application meets the criteria, subject to receipt of satisfactory child protection policy. The application is to cover the shortfall in funding of £5,000 and Third Party Funding of £1,650. All necessary funding is now in place for the project to be delivered should this application be successful in receiving leisure capital funding as requested. <b>£6,200 grant recommended</b>
Brigg Bowls Club	Renewing and extending access pathways from the car park to the pavilion and bowling green to improve access for disabled people and people with mobility difficulties.	£1,650	£1,650 Leisure Capital Grants	The group are planning to undertake all manual labour themselves, thus saving on labour costs from contractors as their contribution to this project	The application meets the scheme criteria if contributions in kind are considered as acceptable partnership funding. <b>Deferral to 2010/11 recommended due to budget limitations.</b>