

NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE COUNCIL

**COMMUNITY WELLBEING
CABINET MEMBER**

APPROVAL OF COMMUNITY GRANT FUND APPLICATIONS

1. OBJECT AND KEY POINTS IN THIS REPORT

- 1.1 To approve applications received for financial assistance via the Community Grant Fund.
- 1.2 The key point of the report is as follows.
- We have received six 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 are set out in Appendix 1.

3.2 The options available to the Cabinet Member are as follows.

- approving the application 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 Appendix 1.

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 2017/18. To date, a total of £42,742 has been committed. This leaves £105,258 to allocate. The total amount required to support the applications covered by this report to the levels requested is £6,336.

5.1.2 The council has approved a capital budget of £500,000 for the Community Grant Fund in 2017/18. To date, a total of £91,000 has been committed. This leaves £409,000 to allocate. The total amount required to support the applications covered by this report to the levels requested is £1,870.

5.2 There are no other resource 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.

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 Member approves 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 – July 2017

Application for Community Grant – Individuals

Group	Scheme	Total cost	Amount requested	Added Value: other funds	Comments	Contribution to council priorities & Community Support	Contribution to statutory duties	Geographical
Hannah Leek	Director: Edinburgh Fringe Festival	£2,000	£200	Own funds only	Hannah has been offer the prestigious position of Director of the Edinburgh Fringe Festival. Application is to cover accommodation costs in Edinburgh during the festival week £200 grant recommended	Enable communities to thrive and live active and healthy lives <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improve everyone's health and well being • Improve skills and education outcomes 	N/a	Burton upon Stather & Winterton
Soul Roberts	Salzburg Experimental Academy for Dance (SEAD)	£3,312	£500	Own funds only	Soul has been selected to join the BODHI Project at SEAD. He is the first British male accepted on to the programme. BODHI is a space between the institution of higher dance education and a professional company. £500 grant recommended	Enable communities to thrive and live active and healthy lives <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improve everyone's health and well being • Improve skills and education outcomes 	N/a	Ferry
Oliver Spindley	Ten Pin Bowling	£590	£500	Own funds only	Oliver has again been selected to the Junior British Team for international competition. £500 grant recommended plus standard off peak gym/swim membership	Enable communities to thrive and live active and healthy lives <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improve everyone's health and well being • Improve skills and education outcomes 	N/a	Town
Anthony Yeats	Duathlon World Championship	£4,486	£500	Own funds only	Anthony has qualified with Team GB for the ITU Duathlon World Championships in Penticton (Canada) £500 grant recommended plus standard off peak gym/swim membership	Enable communities to thrive and live active and healthy lives <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improve everyone's health and well being • Improve skills and education outcomes 	N/a	Burton upon Stather & Winterton

Application for Community Grant – Revenue

Group	Scheme	Total cost	Amount requested	Added Value: other funds	Officer Comments	Contribution to council priorities & Community Support	Contribution to statutory duties	Geographical
South Axholme Community Swimming Pool Association	Free swimming	£4,636	£4,636	Beneficiaries: Approx 2,000	Application at our request for compensation for loss of income to allow Epworth Pool to offer free swimming to 16 and unders during the school summer holiday. £4,300 granted last year. £4,636 grant recommended	Enable communities to thrive and live active and healthy lives Support safeguard and protect the vulnerable Shape the area into a prosperous place to live, work, invest and play <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create attractive and healthy places to live, work and play 	N/a	Axholme Central

Application for Community Grant – Capital

Group	Scheme	Total cost	Amount requested	Added Value: other funds	Officer Comments	Contribution to council priorities & Community Support	Contribution to statutory duties	Geographical
Brigg Tennis Club	Privacy screening	£2,370	£1,870	Group have allocated £500 (21%) to project with bank balances of £5,255 for normal operating expenses Beneficiaries: all members and public users	Application is for support with the cost of installing privacy screening/wind breaks at the Council owned Brigg Recreation Ground following recent refurbishment. Good contribution rate at 21%. £1,870 grant recommended	Enable communities to thrive and live active and healthy lives Support safeguard and protect the vulnerable Shape the area into a prosperous place to live, work, invest and play <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create attractive and healthy places to live, work and play 	N/a	Brigg & Wolds