



CHIPPING NORTON TOWN COUNCIL

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TOWN CLERK: Luci Ashbourne

13th October 2022

SUMMONS TO ATTEND A EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF COMMUNITY COMMITTEE

TO: All Members of Community Committee

VENUE: The Council Chamber, Chipping Norton Town Hall

DATE: 19th October 2022

TIME: 6:30pm

Cllrs Sandra Coleman (Chair), Steve Akers (Vice-Chair) Rachel Foakes, Jo Graves, Archie Miles, Rizvana Poole, Lexy Tuckwell, and Natasha Whitmill

Luci Ashbourne
Town Clerk

Recording of Meetings

Under the Openness of Local Government Bodies Regulations 2014 the council's public meetings may be recorded, which includes filming, audio-recording as well as photography.

A G E N D A

1. Apologies for absence.

To consider apologies for absence.

Committee members who are unable to attend the meeting should notify the Town Clerk (townclerk@chippingnorton-tc.gov.uk) prior to the meeting, stating the reason for absence.

2. Declaration of interests.

Members are reminded to declare any disclosable pecuniary interests in any of the items under consideration at this meeting in accordance with the Town Council's code of conduct

3. Minutes

To approve the Minutes of the committee meeting held on 7TH September 2022.

4. Public Participation

The meeting will adjourn for this item

Members of the public may speak for a maximum of five minutes each during the period of public participation.

5. Grants To Voluntary Bodies

To receive a report from The Deputy Clerk concerning grant applications for the Council's Grants to Voluntary Bodies Fund and agree allocation of funding.

6. Date of the next meeting – 9th November 2022



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Minutes of a Community Committee meeting held on 7th September 2022 at 6:30pm in The Council Chamber, Chipping Norton Town Hall

Present:

Cllrs Sandra Coleman (Chair), Rizvana Poole, Steve Akers (Vice-Chair), Rachel Foakes, Jo Graves, Natasha Whitmill (entered at 6:46pm)

1 member of the public

Also Present: Luci Ashbourne, Town Clerk
Katherine Jang, Deputy Town Clerk

CC30	Apologies for absence None received.
CC31	Declaration of interests No declaration of interests were received.
CC32	Minutes RESOLVED: The minutes of the meeting on the 29 th June 2022 were signed as a correct record by the Chair.
CC33	Public Participation None received.
CC34	Committee Action Plan Cllrs noted the Committee Action Plan.
CC35	Town Hall <ul style="list-style-type: none">a. Cllrs received an update from the Clerk regarding scheduled maintenance and surveys. Cllrs discussed the continuing works surrounding the Town Hall maintenance, windows and boiler and making sure that any works are future-proofed and sustainable.b. Cllrs received and considered a request from Chipping Norton Choral Society for the Council to purchase a piano for the Town Hall. Cllrs discussed the limitations of a baby grand piano in the Upper Hall and if it would inconvenience other users. Cllrs mentioned that there used to be a piano in the hall previously and it was difficult to move around for different events. Other issues around maintenance costs. Members discussed the option of an electric keyboard, as modern keyboards are storable, work in concert pitch, and need no maintenance. RESOLVED: In principle, Council is positive about this request but more research needs to be carried out before agreeing to purchase the piano. The Clerk to investigate electric piano costs, impacts on regular hirers, storage, and other factors.c. Cllrs received a report from the Chair regarding the use of the Town Hall as a warm hub to support residents through the cost of living crisis. The Chair proposed using the Town Hall on the 30th September 10am-2pm for a Cost of

	<p>Living event led by Councillors, and proposed a small budget for this to event of £200 to cover this event.</p> <p>RESOLVED: Cllr Whitmill proposed the above event, seconded by Cllr Graves. All in favour, motion carried.</p> <p>The Chair discussed using the Town Hall as a warm hub. Members agreed that any detailed plans would need to be agreed to by the Clerk and the Chair. Cllr Poole proposed, seconded by Cllr Graves. All in favour, motion carried.</p>
<p>CC36</p>	<p>Cemetery</p> <p>a. Cllrs received an update regarding wildflower planting and the next cemetery clean-up day. The Chair reported that this would cost around £150 for yellow rattle seeds to establish a trial wildflower area in the cemetery. Members were happy to include planting the wildflower area during the cemetery clean-up day.</p> <p>b. Cllrs received and considered an amendment to the Cemetery Fees and Regulations to enable people to purchase plots with kerb sets. Members mentioned that they wish to be compassionate toward new grave purchasers to allow kerb sets, but that there can be more issues with maintenance and costs. Cllr Poole proposed to accept the costs as proposed in the Cemetery Fees and Regulations, seconded by Cllr Akers.</p> <p>RESOLVED: That the Council accepts the costs as proposed for the new kerb sets with slight amendments to wording. "Adult kerb sets with chippings" "Under 12 kerb sets with chippings"</p> <p>c. Cllrs received and considered two quotes for resurfacing paths at St Mary's Churchyard.</p> <p>RESOLVED: Cllr Poole proposed to accept the quote for Contractor 2 at a cost of £3600 with the guarantee that it would last at least 10 years. Seconded by Cllr Whitmill. All in favour. Motion carried. This recommendation will need to be approved by Full Council on 5th October because the funding will need to come from general reserves.</p> <p>Cllrs clarified that these works would not interfere with upcoming works taking place at the Church. The Clerk reported that this would need to be approved by the Faculty at the Church.</p> <p>d. Cllrs received an update about Memorial safety testing at Worcester Road Cemetery.</p>
<p>CC37</p>	<p>Play Areas</p> <p>Cllrs received a repairs report from the Clerk.</p> <p>RESOLVED: Cllr Graves proposed to accept the repairs quote for Worcester Road Play Area for the cost of £6603.00, seconded by Cllr Foakes. All in favour, motion carried.</p> <p>The Clerk reported that she and the Chair have met with a play area designer and have consulted with youth workers who have been working at Cotswold Crescent play area to discuss what kind of equipment should be installed there. A full report will be brought to a future meeting.</p>

CC38	<p>War Memorial Cllrs received a repairs report and three quotes to replace the damaged coping stones at the War Memorial.</p> <p>RESOLVED: That in principle members agree to accept replacing the coping stones with imitation stone concrete at a cost of £2300 as long as the Royal British Legion are content with this. This recommendation will need to be approved by Full Council on 5th October because the funding will need to come from general reserves.</p>
CC39	<p>Pool Meadow Cllrs received an interim report from Beaumont Rivers regarding the feasibility study that is being carried out at Pool Meadow. This study is being progressed at pace and has been received positively by residents. Beaumont Rivers have secured grant funding to cover the cost of the planning stage. Acceptance of this requires the Council to send a letter confirming that the study is supported and any works carried out on the back of the study will be managed by The Council as a landowner in the long term.</p> <p>RESOLVED: That the Council writes a letter in support of the upcoming works, proposed by the Chair, seconded by Cllr Graves. All in favour. Motion carried.</p>
CC40	<p>Tree Survey Cllrs received a tree survey report from the Clerk. All priority works are being carried out, and a three year plan will help Council's long term budgeting for tree maintenance.</p>
CC41	<p>Youth Work Cllrs received an update from the Clerk regarding youth work in Chipping Norton. Got2B have reported that post-pandemic fewer young people have been socialising in public spaces and prefer to meet at home. Young people have also expressed a desire to have an after school youth LGBTQ+ group established in Chipping Norton. Members were very supportive about the Town Council finding a suitable time and space for this to take place, and noted that young people will need to be considered when deciding on warm hub spaces in Chipping Norton.</p>
CC42	<p>Confidential Session RESOLVED: In view of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, the press and public be excluded from the meeting in accordance with the provisions of s.1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960.</p>
CC43	<p>Christmas Lights Cllrs received a report following the Christmas Lights tender exercise. Cllr Whitmill proposed Millennium Quest Ltd, seconded by Cllr Akers, all in favour, motion carried.</p> <p>RESOLVED: That the Council accepts the Christmas Lights quote from Millennium Quest Ltd at a cost of £12,996 per annum for three years.</p>
CC44	<p>Date of next meeting There will be an extraordinary meeting of this committee to agree Grants to Voluntary Bodies. This will be held on Wednesday 19th October at 6:30pm.</p> <p>Standard meeting on 9th November 2022</p>

The Chair closed the meeting at 8:00pm

Signed as a accurate record.....

Date.....

**Grants to Voluntary Bodies Scheme
Applications received for year 2022/2023**

Cost Code 101/7670		DECISION OF MEETING	
Community Organisation	Grant Awarded 2021/2022	Grant Sought 2022/2023	Grant Awarded 2022/2023
1:1 Mentoring, St Mary's Church CN	No grant applied for		£1,200.00
4 Shires Swimming Club	No grant applied for		£1,555.35
Armed Forces Trust, CN	No grant applied for		£1,000.00
Cleanslate	No grant applied for		£750.00
Community Suppers (CN Community Church)	£500.00		£250.00
Green Gym	£1,000.00		£1,000.00
Lido, CN	£4,000.00		£6,500
Literary Festival, CN	No grant applied for		£680.00
Little Footsteps, CN	No grant applied for		£2,000.00
Mini's, CN	No grant applied for		£500.00
Music Festival, CN	No grant applied for		£1,000.00
Parkrun	No grant applied for		£500.00
Rainbows	£250.00		£500.00
Remix Youth Club	No grant applied for		£2,000.00
Swifts Football, CN	No grant applied for		£1,800.00
Theatre, CN	£3,000.00		£3,000.00
Thrive North Oxfordshire	No grant applied for		£2,000.00
Volunteer Link Up	No grant applied for		£2,000.00
CN School PTA (Missed Deadline)	£5,000.00		£5,000.00
Lawrence Home Nursing Team, CN (Missed Deadline)	No grant applied for		£2,000.00
Total of grants requested		Total awarded	
		£35,235.35	

The budget for the Grants to Voluntary Bodies Scheme (101/7670) for the financial year 2022-2023 is £26,000

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APPLICATION FOR GRANTS TO VOLUNTARY BODIES 2022/2023

Organisation: Mentoring

Contact Person: [REDACTED] (Youth Worker)

Address: St Mary's Church, Church Street, Chipping Norton, OX7 5NT

Phone No: [REDACTED]

Email Add: [REDACTED]

Grant sought: £ 1200

Cheque payable to: St Mary's Church

1. What are the general aims of your organisation?

To work 1:1 with young people that have been referred by Chipping Norton Secondary School. The goal is to support them through varying issues, from abuse in the home, to gender identity issues, to emotional regulation. We cover a lot of ground depending on the needs of the individual young person. We operate in a confidential setting, meaning the only information passed on is if anything is a safeguarding concern. Most of the time this will involve heading into town to get a drink (milkshake etc...) and often food as well, as a few of the young people either lack the finances to eat well and regularly or there is a general concern around food.

2. In what ways do you feel your organisation benefits the community?

We support young people in a way that will benefit their attitude towards life and others, their engagement with school and other organisation suitable for them, their peer and familial relationships as well as their own mental health and wellbeing. There is currently no other free support like this for any young people in Chipping Norton and the surrounding areas.

3. Outline any fundraising activities that your organisation has undertaken in the past year.

None so far, all is funded through the church youth budget which is getting thin.

4. Do you have any special projects which require additional financial expenditure by your organisation in the next year?

No special projects, other than potentially engaging with Remix Youth Club on an away day. But the general cost of taking the young people out for food/drink is currently around £30 per week as we are currently supporting 11 young people on a weekly basis. Over the course of a 40-week academic year (we generally only operate term time but in some cases will continue to meet during holidays) this cost can be up to and in excess of £1200.

5. If awarded a grant last year from CNTC could you please state how the funds helped your organisation and what they were used for.

None applied for last year

If you wish to make any additional points in support of your application, please continue overleaf.

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CLOSING DATE FOR APPLICATIONS – 25.09.22

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APPLICATION FOR GRANTS TO VOLUNTARY BODIES 2022/2023

Organisation 4 Shires Swimming Club (4SSC)

Contact [REDACTED], 4SSC Secretary

Address [REDACTED]

Phone No [REDACTED]

Email secretary@4ssc.co.uk

Grant sought: £ 299.96 for a set of resistance bands, £643 for Backstroke ledges, £262.39 for a Pacing Clock & £350 for 2 coach training programmes. **Total £1555.35.**

(Plus we would be very grateful for any monies toward our long term fundraising for 4 starting blocks.)

Cheque payable to 4SSC

1. What are the general aims of your organisation?

To provide a swimming club that brings together a community of swimmers, parents, coaches, committee members and swim officials in the locality. We cater for swimmers who want to work on their swimming fitness, as well as supporting a healthy competitive spirit within the club at Local, County, Regional and National level.

We currently have a mixture of squads: Academy, Pre-Comp, Competition, and Masters (over 18's). The club promotes both individual achievement and team-work, with our Team Captains, older swimmers and Masters able to provide aspiration and showcase their Leadership skills.

We bring together a cadre of parent volunteers and volunteer swim officials and team managers who are able to provide pastoral care and guidance for our swim community. We promote positive psychology and good mental wellbeing in our club as well as physical fitness, stamina and technique. As well as serving children aged 7-18, we have a thriving masters section and thus aim to promote swimming as a sport accessible to all.

2. In what ways do you feel your organisation benefits the community?

As well as promoting swimming as a sport for all, via our varied squad system, we have strong community links. For example, we work closely with Chipping Norton School to help run the annual partnership primary schools swimming gala. We meet with the sixth form sports leaders ahead of the gala to talk them through the various roles they undertake during the gala and support them on the day. We provide volunteers on the day of the gala to help run the event. Our team captains attend and talk to the swimmers during the presentation ceremony about their experience of belonging to 4SSC and along with our coaches, 'talent spot' during the gala enabling us to invite swimmers showing potential to attend a trial with a view to joining us.

We also hold a variety of club events throughout the year which many members enjoy and comment how they benefit from belonging to a club, forming new friendships and growing in confidence as well as improving their swimming, maintaining their fitness and having fun! This clearly benefits both mental as well as physical health.

4SSC support local young people in undertaking the Duke of Edinburgh Award in both the physical and volunteering sections at Bronze, Silver and Gold level. Members wishing to complete the volunteering section are assigned a senior Coach as a mentor and invited to help poolside coaching and inspiring younger swimmers, learning new skills in the process and thus benefitting all involved. Those completing the physical section also have to outline their goals and be continually assessed by a senior coach throughout the relevant period according to which level they are working towards.

3. Outline any fundraising activities that your organisation has undertaken in the past year.

During the last year, we have held a quiz night, raffles and tombolas at our Club Championships and a Christmas raffle. We have previously held varied fundraising events including race nights, bingo nights, bag packing sessions at the Co-op in Chipping Norton and sold teas and cakes at Chastleton House. These fund-raising activities have been severely curtailed during the pandemic, but are now slowly resuming with several events already planned for this year. Members are also encouraged to raise funds by signing up to the Easyfundraising scheme.

We rely on this fundraising activity to allow us to continue sessions through school holidays which often run at a loss due to reduced numbers, and to purchase equipment for loan to swimmers and for use in land based and poolside training. For example, we have recently purchased new swim parachutes and bungees for use during training sessions to replace old ones that had become worn out due to the deterioration of exposure to pool chemicals and the damp atmosphere.

4. Do you have any special projects which require additional financial expenditure by your organisation in the next year?

As we get back into a full training regimen post COVID, we will need to replace our land based training and poolside equipment to ensure there are enough, safe items for all swimmers to benefit in developing their stamina and technique. We are attracting new swimmers monthly and therefore will need to both bolster and replenish our current supplies. Each new set of resistance bands for example costs £299.96 (£74.99 each x4) <https://www.proswimwear.co.uk/new-arrivals/stretchcordz-safety-long-belt-slider-red-resistance.html>

As we grow our talent, thus we are able to participate more in gala competitions. For this, we need to ensure we are able to practice with the official equipment that will be used. We would like to purchase four backstroke ledges to enable swimmers to practice and refine backstroke starts ahead of competitions. These would cost £643 in total (£160.75 each x 4) as per the attached link:

<https://www.ebay.co.uk/itm/124196140691?var=0&mkevt=1&mkcid=1&mkrid=710-53481-19255-0&campid=5338268676&toolid=10044&customid=EAAlaQobChMIh9fr76Gu-gIVDNptCh1jDwIDEAQYAiABEgITnfD BwE>

We need to buy a new pacing clock; these are used by every swimmer in every training session. This would cost £262.39 (£218.66 + VAT)– please see link below:

<https://www.jplennard.com/jpl-battery-pace-clock-610mm-encased.html>

We are also keen to recruit additional volunteer coaches to make sure we can offer a more bespoke training offer to our swimmers and thus need to offer subsidised training courses. Encouraging parents and older swimmers to train will increase our pool of coaches and encourage wider and sustained community links. Assistant coach courses cost £350 per candidate with grants of 50% available via the Swim England South East Bursary Scheme. We would like to apply for 2 coach training courses at a cost of £350 (£175x2).

At present the pool at Chipping Norton which is our registered base, does not have starting blocks. It is really important for our swimmers to have experience using these and so a longer-term fundraising aim is the purchase of four starting blocks at a total approximate cost of £8000. These would be hugely advantageous in enabling swimmers to practise starts both for individual and relay team events. This would also allow us to participate in the local swimming league as we would need to have starting blocks to participate in home fixtures.

5. **If awarded a grant last year from CNTC could you please state how the funds helped your organisation and what they were used for.**

N/A

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Organisation Armed Forces Trust of Chipping Norton

Contact Person [REDACTED]

Address [REDACTED]

Phone No..... [REDACTED]

Email

Add..... [REDACTED]

Grant sought £ 1000.....

Cheque payable to...Armed Forces Trust

1. What are the general aims of your organisation?
We work closely with the Royal British Legion branch; all our Trustees are also Legion committee members. We fund things that the Legion branch is not allowed to spend money on, mainly looking after and creating new war memorials and giving financial help to ex-servicemen and women in the town and paying for coach trips. We fund research into the history of our servicemen and women by our chairman, bringing the names on our war memorial to life.

2. In what ways do you feel your organisation benefits the community?
In the last 5 years we have helped dozens of local veterans with medical bills, personal alarms, new locks and equipment such as wheelchairs and walkers and hearing aids. We have helped ex-servicemen and women through periods of unemployment and the financial implications of COVID. We have helped make the war memorial a fitting place to remember our war dead and funded projects such as the Poppy Plaque trail

3. Outline any fundraising activities that your organisation has undertaken in the past year.
None

4. Do you have any special projects which require additional financial expenditure by your organisation in the next year?
We are looking to do something to mark the 80th Anniversary of the end of the Second World War and would use some of the money to fund this

5. If awarded a grant last year from CNTC could you please state how the funds helped your organisation and what they were used for.

N/a

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The Trust was created from part of the sales of the old British Legion Club for the aims stated above. It has helped nearly every one of our surviving WW2 veterans over the last few years and a great number of the Nation Service generation too. Both these groups are almost no longer with us and we no longer anticipate the expenditure that we had over the last 5 years. The pandemic drained the last of our resources and we are looking to establish a small fund to help if our Veterans need it and to support Remembrance projects. Help is available to Veterans via the Royal British Legion helpline, but they do not help with smaller issues such as personal alarms and wheelchairs etc. and they take a longer time to respond than the AFT can. Hence, we are seeking to replenish the funds in the Trust.

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Organisation [Clean Slate](#)

Contact Person

Address

Phone No.....

Email Add..... chair@cleanslate.org.uk

Grant sought £ [750.00](#)

Cheque payable to..... [Clean Slate](#)

1. What are the general aims of your organisation?

[The purpose of Clean Slate is to provide long term emotional support for male and female survivors of abuse in the UK, particularly in Cherwell and wider Oxfordshire. We aim to encourage individuals to explore their own mental health needs and adopt positive coping strategies for long term recovery. To support Men, Women and their families who have been victim too or witnessed domestic, sexual, mental, emotional, and financial abuse.](#)

2. In what ways do you feel your organisation benefits the community?

- [• Improving health and wellbeing.](#)
- [• Improving integration into society.](#)
- [• Increasing personal safety and perception of safety.](#)
- [• Improving experience of the criminal justice system.](#)

3. Outline any fundraising activities that your organisation has undertaken in the past year.

[Unfortunately fundraising has been difficult in the last few years but last year one of our supporters raised 5800.00 by doing the Race to the stones, we also have supporters who run events for us. Hopefully we will be able to do more fundraising in future](#)

4. Do you have any special projects which require additional financial expenditure by your organisation in the next year?

[Any funds raised will be used to fund multiple courses for victims of domestic abuse. Their aim is to help victims see the abusive behaviours and early warning signs of abusive behaviours, to arm them with a varied](#)

5. If awarded a grant last year from CNTC could you please state how the funds helped your organisation and what they were used for.

[N/A](#)

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OrganisationChipping Norton Community Church (Community Suppers)

Contact Person [REDACTED]

Address [REDACTED]

Phone No..... [REDACTED]

Email Add..... cncommunitysuppers@gmail.com

Grant sought £ £250

Cheque payable to...Chipping Norton Community Church

1. What are the general aims of your organisation?

We provide a monthly meal in the Lower Town Hall for local people in the community in particular clients who access the Food Bank, who attend Life Skills courses and generally those who would benefit from a home cooked meal and some company. The meal is prepared by volunteers from the Community Church who give their time from 3pm – 7pm on a Sunday afternoon to prepare and serve the meal. We have been running the Suppers for almost a year and have worked with local Supermarkets (The Co-op and Sainsburys) and the Larder to cook a meal from food products that would otherwise be going to waste – either surplus to requirements or about to go out of date. We would like to provide a Christmas meal in December and extend a wider invitation to other groups in the community such as the elderly who would benefit and appreciate community and sharing a home cooked meal together.

2. In what ways do you feel your organisation benefits the community?

The Community Suppers bring people in the town together from across all social groups to share in a lovely meal and is building community amongst those who come along. Over the year, other local people have also been contacting us asking to be able to help with the Suppers which has been great.

3. Outline any fundraising activities that your organisation has undertaken in the past year.

The meals have been funded by donations from The Co-op, Sainsbury's and The Larder. We were also very grateful to receive a Voluntary Bodies grant last year which helped fund cooking equipment and crockery for the Community Suppers.

4. Do you have any special projects which require additional financial expenditure by your organisation in the next year?

Currently we just have a larger Christmas Event planned but as attendance numbers grow, there may be future special projects to come.

5. If awarded a grant last year from CNTC could you please state how the funds helped your organisation and what they were used for.

As mentioned above, the grant we were awarded last year helped purchase crockery and cutlery for 48 people, cooking utensils, pans and tablecloths.

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Organisation: Chipping Norton Green Gym.....

Contact Person: [REDACTED]

Address: [REDACTED]

Phone No: [REDACTED]

Email Add: [REDACTED]

Grant sought £ 1000.....

Cheque payable to: Chipping Norton Green Gym.....

1. What are the general aims of your organisation?
Green Gym aims to maintain or improve the health of participants through environmental conservation work, and to improve the local environment.

2. In what ways do you feel your organisation benefits the community?
Our activities benefit the community in three ways. First, they directly improve the physical and mental wellbeing of participants from the community. The Green Gym concept was started by an Oxfordshire doctor with precisely these aims. We have members with learning difficulties and others who are recovering from major surgery or have caring responsibilities. We aim to provide healthy activity and learning opportunities to all participants. We have attracted a number of new members in the last year, perhaps reflecting a greater appreciation of the benefits of outdoors activity during a period when such possibilities have been curtailed.

Second, we grow fruit and vegetables (at the Community Orchard and the Health Centre) which are available as free healthy eating options to the wider community.

Third, our activities improve the local environment, focusing on public land (such as the Common, Pool Meadow and William Fowler Wood) and sites serving the community (such as Highlands Day Centre and the Health Centre). We work closely with the Field Reeves to identify sites that require attention. Over the last year we have prepared and planted a new copse on Hawkyard common, involving the local community on a planting day. There are more than 100 trees here, which will contribute in due course towards carbon capture, as well as beautifying the environment.

3. Outline any fundraising activities that your organisation has undertaken in the past year.
We charge a sessional fee for work done outside Chipping Norton, working for parish councils, the local Wildlife Trust and Southill Solar Farm at Charlbury.

We also prepare for, and participate in running, Blossom Day and Apple Day at the Community Orchard. These successful events raise sufficient funds for the Orchard Committee so it has no need to make a separate application for GTVB funding.

We have also made use of free advice, design, labour and materials provided by civil engineering students working for Milestone plc. So far they have constructed a raised bed at the Health Centre, and are scheduled to install new steps at Fitzalan Wood.

4. Do you have any special projects which require additional financial expenditure by your organisation in the next year?

The exceptionally dry summer has shown the need to improve our capacity to water trees and other plants, notably at the new copse at Hawkyard and the Community Orchard, by installing butts and other collection devices. We hope to engage the civil engineering students referred to above in these projects, but some costs may arise.

We need to replace some of the benches at the Orchard and elsewhere. Where possible we obtain these as gifts, but anticipate the need to fund some. We intend to buy a bench to commemorate John Grantham, who as chairman of the Field Reeves was a good friend to our organisation in its formative years.

5. If awarded a grant last year from CNTC could you please state how the funds helped your organisation and what they were used for.

Last year's grant has funded tool kits for new members and a First Aid course. It has supported our work at the new Hawkyard copse, even though expenditure here was less than anticipated.

In last year's application we indicated that we intended to put some of the grant towards a covid memorial tree and bench. Discussions about a suitable Covid memorial for the town continue, involving a number of bodies including the Town Council. We have not, therefore, spent in this area as yet, though we would expect to contribute once these discussions conclude.

If you wish to make any additional points in support of your application, please continue overleaf.

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CHIPPING NORTON TOWN COUNCIL

APPLICATION FOR GRANTS TO VOLUNTARY BODIES 2022/2023

Organisation CHIPPING NORTON LIDO LTD

Contact Person [REDACTED]

Address THE LIDO, FOX CLOSE, CHIPPING NORTON OX7 5BZ

Phone No 01608 643188 (pool, currently closed) or [REDACTED]

Email Add [REDACTED]

Grant sought £6,500 (see additional notes below)

Cheque payable to CHIPPING NORTON LIDO LTD

1. What are the general aims of your organisation?

The Lido is a community-run pool providing sporting and recreational opportunities for the residents of Chipping Norton and its surrounding villages. As a 'pool with a social conscience' we aim to cater for all members of the community and to encourage as many people as possible to adopt a healthy lifestyle, especially children and older people. The Lido was saved from closure in 2004 by local people and has been recognised for its achievements through several awards.

2. In what ways do you feel your organisation benefits the community?

The community benefits directly through the wide range of services offered which extends beyond swimming to include individual and group lessons, aquafit, artistic swimming, early years and low cost Over 60s sessions, as well as 'dry side' activities on the lawns such as yoga, Tai Chi and fitness training (new in 2022). We offer the only toddler pool in the town, as well as a café and large lawns where visitors can picnic, sunbathe and play. The Lido is one of the few family facilities in the town where all generations come together to spend leisure time. We also provide dedicated sessions for community groups, clubs and schools, and other public and private events.

In 2022 we were able to open for a full season without capacity restrictions for the first time since 2019.

With minimal post-Covid funding support (£750 in the form of a Restart grant from WODC) and escalating energy costs, we focussed attention on extending and adapting our timetable to meet the differing needs of as many types of user as possible.

We were successful in a bid to Active Oxfordshire for You Move funding which provided very low cost places in family swim sessions in July and August. This initiative was further supported by a donation from Wise Investment and was available to families in receipt of free school meals and refugee families hosted in the area. In addition, we partnered with Chipping Norton Theatre to deliver the Holiday Activity & Food programme in August. This was a very successful arrangement which meant we could use our café to provide hot meals as well as the pools and lawns to offer a range of interesting activities, which included raft building, fitness sessions and even a jelly Lido.

The pool creates employment for 25+ people of all ages and is an accredited RLSS Training Centre, offering lifeguarding courses to those training for their NPLQ for the first time, as well as continuous lifeguard and first aid training for existing staff.

The Lido café creates one full-time and four additional part-time jobs and offers Food & Hygiene and first aid training to staff. The surplus from the café operation is returned to support the running costs of the pool.

The Lido attracts visitors to the town and is especially popular with tourists staying on local campsites. Over the past three years there has been significant growth in the number of swimmers coming from further afield.

In 2019 (our last typical year) over 14,000 visits took place. In 2022 we recorded just under 18,000 visits.

3. Outline any fundraising activities that your organisation has undertaken in the past year.

Each year The Lido has to fundraise to cover what was historically an average trading deficit of around £15,000 as well as funding capital costs relating to repairs and refurbishment. In the light of energy price rises to date, we now estimate that figure to be at least £25,000.

As Covid restrictions fell away we were finally able to organise some of our regular events, including two late night swims, our annual dog swim and an Auction of Promises. These events have all helped support rising operational costs, alongside with the income from our Lido Lottery and ad hoc donations made by appreciative customers.

4. Do you have any special projects which require additional financial expenditure by your organisation in the next year?

We have some significant, essential repairs to undertake, including repairs to the outside toilets which will involve rebuilding part of the external wall, replacing a broken drain and reinforcing the foundations. In addition, the coping stones and paving slabs around the pool require lifting and re-setting. None of this is the type of capital work for which we can attract grant funding and so will need to be funded ourselves.

We are very conscious of the ongoing financial challenges for those families with lower-than-average incomes in accessing active leisure. We should like to be able to earmark funds specifically with the aim of widening access (in much the same way as we have done with our older swimmers).

We are also keen to widen access to our training programme and to help more young people gain the qualifications they need to work with us and other potential employers.

5. If awarded a grant last year from CNTC could you please state how the funds helped your organisation and what they were used for.

Last year the GTVB committee kindly awarded us £4,000. Half was allocated towards last winter's large scale upgrade of the drainage system around the toddler pool which has resulted in improved water flow through the pool and has also prepared the ground for the potential future installation of outdoor showers.

The remaining funds supported ongoing operational costs which have risen dramatically in the past year.

CNTC remains our only source of public core funding and this support is invaluable. Not only does the Council's funding provide direct assistance, it can be used to match fund other grant applications and to demonstrate to other funders that our local council is supportive of our work.

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The increases in energy costs, alongside rises in materials costs and in wages, represent a potentially existential threat to The Lido. For example, gas prices this summer have been roughly twice what they were a year ago and three times the rates in 2020. They are expected to rise even further between now and re-opening next spring. Electricity prices are more stable but still currently 100% higher than this time last year.

These rising costs are far harder for us to manage than the challenges posed by the pandemic, not least because there is currently no government support for businesses such as ours, unlike in 2020 and, to a lesser extent, 2021. **

To ride out this storm the trustees are allocating additional reserves to covering our operational deficit which we expect to rise.

In requesting £6,500 from CNTC, and if successful in our request, we would allocate £5,000 to supporting operational costs directly and the remaining £1,500 towards widening access and extending training opportunities.

We should like to develop the type of support offered by the You Move project which only came into being in the latter half of the season this year. We also wish to expand our role as an employer, in particular of local young people, with the offer of more accessible training or even a training bursary.

** The cap announced for businesses on 21 September will not have any direct beneficial impact for The Lido as we will be closed for the six months for which it applies.

CHIPPING NORTON TOWN COUNCIL

APPLICATION FOR GRANTS TO VOLUNTARY BODIES 2022/2023

OrganisationChipping Norton Literary Festival...(ChipLitFest).....

Contact Person [REDACTED]

Address [REDACTED]

Phone No..... [REDACTED]

Email Add..... [REDACTED]

Grant sought ££680.00.....

Cheque payable to.....Chipping Norton Literary Festival.....

1. What are the general aims of your organisation?

ChipLitFest hosts an annual literary festival in venues around Chipping Norton, it is attended by over 5,000 people and celebrates all forms of literature. We aim to create and maintain lifelong readers. Each April we host events with over 80 authors to give talks and lectures on a huge variety of books for adults and young people. Throughout the year we run a comprehensive creative writing programme for local school children including those in non-mainstream education.

2. In what ways do you feel your organisation benefits the community?

ChipLitFest is a community-based organisation comprised of a team of dedicated volunteers supported by local businesses and individuals who work together to bring these brilliant events to our wonderful town. Over 60% of our audience live within a 10 mile radius of the town so clearly it is valued locally. We also bring 1000s of visitors who might otherwise not visit Chipping Norton. Over 90% of our audience say that they will or have spent money in local shops during the Festival. We use local businesses to accommodate and feed our visiting authors. We work directly with over 1,000 local school children delivering author-led workshops at no cost to pupils or schools.

3. Outline any fundraising activities that your organisation has undertaken in the past year.

Post-pandemic, we have concentrated our fundraising efforts via our network of sponsors and Festival Friends. We had some funds from 2020 that we hadn't been able to spend during the enforced lockdown inactivity and we had used that money to support our work with local children and families.

4. Do you have any special projects which require additional financial expenditure by your organisation in the next year?

We will be reviving the range of events for children in local schools now that it is again possible to bring visiting authors onto school sites. In particular, we wish to offer a series of creative writing workshops to pupils at Park School in Southcombe, Chipping Norton, a special school for students who have social, emotional and mental health needs. As highly vulnerable pupils, they need more time to feel comfortable when working with outside visitors so we want to be able to offer three workshops, involving a visiting author with the specialist skills needed to work with such vulnerable children, to each year group. Were we to receive a grant we would use the money to meet some of the additional costs of making sure this project is delivered appropriately and has a lasting impact that encourages these young Chippy residents to find their voice and experience the pleasure of reading and writing.

5. If awarded a grant last year from CNTC could you please state how the funds helped your organisation and what they were used for.

We received a grant in 2020/2021 to support our schools work. Because of the pandemic, we were then unable to work in schools so we went on to use the grant for our festival in April 2022 when we made free tickets to our children's events available to families via the ACE Centre and Chippy Larder.

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Additional points in support of the application.

ChipLitFest is a registered charity, no. 1152866.

We believe that ChipLitFest has brought huge benefit to Chipping Norton. Many literary festivals are held in tents outside of town centres, we love to celebrate Chippy by using as much of it as we can! We know our audiences love the town, in our survey we asked for their views: “community feel”; “friendly people”; “independent shops”; “everything is accessible”; “a unique place”; “wonderful buildings”. The town is undoubtedly a feature of the Festival and we love to celebrate it.

The Festival is genuinely community-led and is run entirely on by volunteers from the Festival Director to the small team of neighbours who deliver posters to local shops and the surrounding villages.

Our programme of events for children and young people has been delivered free in schools or at minimal cost during the Festival weekend. Working with a diverse range of authors, we run 13 public events as well as author visits to 17 local schools; a creative writing project for looked-after students and those who have been school-excluded; a poetry competition for 10-14 year olds; and we publish a book of short stories written by years 5 & 6 pupils. The work is aimed at children from 4 upwards and it includes two events aimed at family audiences.

Visitors to the Festival spend money in Chipping Norton’s shops, cafés, pubs, restaurants and hotels. They may well return for future visits. This also applies to the visiting authors who experience the town through its welcome to them as well as in the hotels/pubs etc.

By locating the Festival in existing venues we highlight Chipping Norton’s beautiful buildings as well as paying venue hire.

ChipLitFest brings welcome media attention to the town and helps to promote Chipping Norton as a highly desirable destination. Our unique author profit share scheme also brings attention to the Festival and the town; our operating profits are shared equally amongst the authors (equating roughly to £100 per author) and this highlights the community nature of the Festival, something that our authors and the publishing industry value very highly.

Rural communities are often overlooked for arts funding but ChipLitFest brings amazing authors and experiences into the heart of the town. Many local businesses help to support the Festival with their generous sponsorship but the costs of running such a large arts event are increasingly high.

ChipLitFest works in partnership with the Chipping Norton Theatre (where we are also tenants) and the Chipping Norton Schools Partnership. We work alongside Jaffé & Neale and Oxfam bookshops and local businesses including several one-person operations.

“An exceptionally welcoming festival”

“A lovely community feel – happy, smiling faces everywhere”

“So friendly and intimate and so much nicer than the bigger litfests”

“As always, the atmosphere was buzzing!”

CHIPPING NORTON TOWN COUNCIL

APPLICATION FOR GRANTS TO VOLUNTARY BODIES 2022/2023

Organisation Chipping Norton Community Church

Contact Person [REDACTED]

Address [REDACTED]

Phone No [REDACTED]

Email [REDACTED]

Grant sought £2,000

Cheque payable to Chipping Norton Community Church

1. What are the general aims of your organisation?

The aim of the organisation is that we're a Church bringing people together to encourage Biblical knowledge, a place of fellowship, worship and prayer.

The aim for this grant is to provide a children's holiday club in summer 2023. This will go over three mornings and then a fourth morning with a special service in the summer to include lunch for the whole family. The holiday club will be held with volunteers from the Church. A place to learn new games, songs, lots of crafts. We will provide snacks. This has come after consulting with families who have said they've really struggled this summer with not enough things available for children that were affordable. This includes people who can't drive.

2. In what ways do you feel your organisation benefits the community?

The community Church is held in the town hall and is welcome to anyone when we hold our services there. We already reach some of the community with Little footsteps (our baby and toddler group), we hold community suppers once a month to anyone needing a meal and supported by Chipping Norton supermarkets, we do an online cook along once a month and provide the ingredients for people that can't afford them, we are involved in CAP (Christians against poverty) financially and with volunteers, we hold a games night once a month which is open to Church members and Chipping Norton Community. With these projects that are already established we're reaching to benefit some of the community in Chipping Norton in different ways.

The holiday club is to provide activities to children with some biblical input aiming at primary school aged children. This is to help families having something for their children to do, to make new friends, and parents to meet other parents. To also encourage new skills for the children. We are hoping they'll be positive outcome for children in coming to something new that is outside school and home.

3. Outline any fundraising activities that your organisation has undertaken in the past year.

We haven't done any fundraising over the last year. But now with the relaxed rules of COVID we would like to help more families in Chipping Norton.

4. Do you have any special projects which require additional financial expenditure by your organisation in the next year?

We are doing a light party (instead of Halloween) for families and two events for Christmas then planning two events for Chipping Norton community before easter but were not planning on applying for extra grants for these unless needed.

5. If awarded a grant last year from CNTC could you please state how the funds helped your organisation and what they were used for.
Not applicable

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Organisation: Mini's

Contact Person: [REDACTED] Children and Families Pastor)

Address: The Parish Rooms, Church Street, Chipping Norton, OX7 5NT

Phone No: [REDACTED]

Email Add: children@stmaryscnorton.com

Grant sought: £ 500

Cheque payable to: St Mary's Church

1. What are the general aims of your organisation?

We host and lead a parent and toddler group, aiming to help parents and children socialise and grow friendships, as well as offering practical and emotional support to new and/or first-time parents. Whilst also helping children in their development through play and social interaction.

2. In what ways do you feel your organisation benefits the community?

Mini Moments is a popular group on a Wednesday morning, offering something that doesn't happen elsewhere on that day – which is intentional so that parents and children have somewhere to go on different days. We regularly get around 20 families come each week (term-time only) for tea/coffee, songs, messy play, imaginative play, craft corners, as well as a host of big and small world toys for the children to play with. We don't charge anyone anything for attending as want it to be open and available for all and don't want money to be a barrier.

3. Outline any fundraising activities that your organisation has undertaken in the past year.

None previously, most of the weekly running costs are funded by the church and occasionally we receive donations. But this limits what we're able to offer and the quality of the resources we provide.

4. Do you have any special projects which require additional financial expenditure by your organisation in the next year?

We are looking to revamp a lot of the toys and messy play options, as well as new books for the children to enjoy. Most of the equipment we have is very old and/or second-hand donations.

5. If awarded a grant last year from CNTC could you please state how the funds helped your organisation and what they were used for.

None applied for last year

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APPLICATION FOR GRANTS TO VOLUNTARY BODIES 2022/23

Organisation Chipping Norton Music Festival

Contact Person ... [REDACTED]

Address [REDACTED]

Phone No... [REDACTED]

Email Add...treasurer@cnmf.org.uk

Grant sought £1000.00

Bank details -

[REDACTED]

1. What are the general aims of your organisation?

“Promoting and Building Confidence through Performance”

Offering a platform for community wide, non-competitive, participation in a wide range of music, speech and drama skills for all ages and abilities.

2. In what ways do you feel your organisation benefits the community?

- In addition to the pleasure that the music, participation and involvement has on the community in general we have also introduced a selection of professional music concerts that help to inspire others and allows the whole community to attend as audience. We specifically work closely with the local schools and schools from the surrounding area to encourage involvement and participation in the festival events, and to allow the children to be encouraged and inspired by the professional adjudicators and musicians. We give opportunities for friendly helpful feedback outside the exam system and with professional adjudicators which might be beyond the reach of some schools. We continue to offer as full a range of classes as possible to give as many people as possible the opportunity to take part, even though some smaller classes will be loss making. The whole fortnight of events is open to all – state and private schools, and all ages. There are over 900 participants at the two weeks events.

3. Outline any fundraising activities that your organisation has undertaken in the past year.

In addition to our participative classes, the Festival in previous years, also provide some professional concerts. These are chosen to appeal across the generations and bring performers to the town that might not be seen outside of venues in much larger places such as London. Participants to all courses and classes pay a fee to defray costs of the two week long events programme. We also have a range of “Friends of the Festival” who pay annual subscriptions that enables them free access to all sessions.

4. Do you have any special projects which require additional financial expenditure by your organisation in the next year?

We hire a Steinway Piano that is in constant use throughout the 2 weeks of events at a cost of over £2400. Funding transport for children from village schools to ensure their participation is something that we intend to continue this next year. In addition, as the Festival has struggled to break even over the last few years, we are keen to widen our advertising and marketing to encourage more entries from the surrounding communities and villages, prior to the pandemic we had almost 500 entries but last year was only 320 so we need to encourage and add extra entries in 2023. The 2 or 3 professional concerts that are part of the Festival fortnight are expensive to organise and run at approximately £2000 per event.

5. If awarded a grant last year from CNTC could you please state how the funds helped your organisation and what they were used for.

We did not receive a grant in 2021

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Organisation ...Chipping Norton School parkrun.....

Contact Person ... [REDACTED]

Address ... [REDACTED]

Phone No [REDACTED]

Email Add...chippingnortonschool@parkrun.com.....

Grant sought £ 500.....

Cheque payable to.....

1. What are the general aims of your organisation?

To improve the physical and mental wellbeing of everyone in the community, and to provide a free weekly 5k timed event,that is open to everyone no matter their ability.

2. In what ways do you feel your organisation benefits the community?

We provide an event where anyone can come and take part in a free weekly timed 5k walk, jog, run. The event ensures that everyone feels included and supported no matter their ability and provides a safe place to exercise without judgement. Anyone can take part either volunteering or running. Our aim is to bring the community together and improve the mental and physical wellbeing of all taking part.

3. Outline any fundraising activities that your organisation has undertaken in the past year.

Over the past year we have had to raise £1000 to ensure our event had a de-fib available at all times. We managed to raise the funds through the generosity of our participants and 2 of the local health centres.

4. Do you have any special projects which require additional financial expenditure by your organisation in the next year?

On an ongoing basis we need to replace the signs and other equipment we use to run our events. We would also like to invest in a PA system to replace our current loud haler that is used for the safety briefing

5. If awarded a grant last year from CNTC could you please state how the funds helped your organisation and what they were used for.

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Organisation Chipping Norton District Rainbows

Contact Person [REDACTED]

Address [REDACTED]

Phone No [REDACTED]

Email Add [REDACTED]

Grant sought £500

Cheque payable to Chipping Norton Rainbows

1. What are the general aims of your organisation?

We want all girls to have the space and opportunities they need to thrive, grow and give back to their communities.

2. In what ways do you feel your organisation benefits the community?

We offer the chance for girls aged between 4 and 7 years, regardless of their background and circumstances, to learn new skills, grow in confidence, make lifelong friendships and have lots of fun.

3. Outline any fundraising activities that your organisation has undertaken in the past year.

As a unit we rarely do any fundraising, partly due to the girls being asked by school, etc, I (Alison Dunbar) continue to run the local Guide Depot in which surplus income is put back into local Guiding groups.

4. Do you have any special projects which require additional financial expenditure by your organisation in the next year?

With the increase in our expenses, this has resulted in the unit having less funds available. Nearly 50% of the annual subscriptions paid by the girls will be paid to Girlguiding UK in February 2023 which covers membership, insurance, etc. Any grant awarded will be used to purchase additional resources, equipment and materials not covered by subscriptions.

5. If awarded a grant last year from CNTC could you please state how the funds helped your organisation and what they were used for.

The grant received last year enabled us to purchase additional resources, equipment and materials for the unit. We have also been able to assist in providing uniform for a couple of girls whose families were struggling financially.

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APPLICATION FOR GRANTS TO VOLUNTARY BODIES 2022/2023

Organisation: Remix Youth Club

Contact Person: [REDACTED] (Youth Worker)

Address: Glyme Hall, Burford Road, Chipping Norton, OX7 5DZ

Phone No: [REDACTED]

Email Add: [REDACTED]

Grant sought: £ 2000

Cheque payable to: Glyme Hall Remix Youth Club

1. What are the general aims of your organisation?

We aim to provide a space for young people in the Chipping Norton area, whether they live in the area or attend the local secondary school, to have fun, build relationships, play games, let off steam, and get the opportunity to try something new.

2. In what ways do you feel your organisation benefits the community?

Remix has been running for nearly 6 years now and has been paramount in engaging with those young people who would not normally engage with other activities, namely sports clubs and/or extra-time clubs at the school. Our leaders have been a strong relationship with many of the young people and are still involved in some kind of support capacity long after many of them have left the school. It provides a safe space for young people to have fun whilst supervised and is often involved in providing support when there are home or peer relationship struggles.

3. Outline any fundraising activities that your organisation has undertaken in the past year.

None so far, we received a grant 2 years ago which we have not been able to fully spend yet due to the Covid-19 pandemic. However, now that life is much more normal we are hoping to get back to bringing in outside help to offer different activities as well as funding some of those who have attended day trips or weekends away.

4. Do you have any special projects which require additional financial expenditure by your organisation in the next year?

Last year we managed to get a couple of outside organisations to come into Remix and am hoping to be able to do the same again this year. I am also hoping to take the young people out for an away day in one of the half-term breaks to Adventure Plus, based in Bampton, for an activity's day. The cost of this away day will be around £50 per young person, at the moment we are getting 20 on a regular basis, earlier in the year that number was nearer 40 which I am hoping to get back to with the new wave of Year 7's and the lack of various lockdown rules and restrictions. The extra one-off activities / outside organisations range in cost from £150-£400.

I am also looking to replace much of our equipment as most of it we've had since the beginning and a lot is broken or close to breaking. Looking to replace at least one table tennis table, football goals, bats and balls for various games, new PlayStation and Xbox games and replenishing much of our craft box.

5. If awarded a grant last year from CNTC could you please state how the funds helped your organisation and what they were used for.

None awarded last year

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Organisation Chippy Swifts Football Club

Contact Person [REDACTED]

Address [REDACTED]

Phone No [REDACTED]

Email Add [REDACTED]

Grant sought £1800

Cheque payable to Chipping Norton Swifts Football Club

1. What are the general aims of your organisation?

To provide the opportunity to provide children's football in a safe and fun and inclusive environment

2. In what ways do you feel your organisation benefits the community?

This year we aim to have around 180 children playing football from ages 6 to 15. Our club keeps children fit and creates friendships.

3. Outline any fundraising activities that your organisation has undertaken in the past year.

We have successfully obtained a grant from the FA and from WODC. Our member fees of £100 per annum cover running costs but not additional equipment.

4. Do you have any special projects which require additional financial expenditure by your organisation in the next year?

We desperately require new equipment for pitch maintenance and introduction of better facilities for supporters on match days. We also need funds to put towards the new goals required for our girls teams introduced last year.

5. If awarded a grant last year from CNTC could you please state how the funds helped your organisation and what they were used for.

No grant offered

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Organisation: The Theatre, Chipping Norton

Contact Person: [REDACTED] Fundraising

Address: [REDACTED]

Phone No: [REDACTED]

Email Add: [REDACTED]

Grant sought £ 3,000

Cheque payable to: Chipping Norton Theatre Ltd.

BACS details -

[REDACTED]

1. What are the general aims of your organisation?

The Theatre's charitable purpose is to 'promote, maintain, improve and advance education, especially by means of educational plays and concerts and the encouragement of the arts for the public and children'.

2. In what ways do you feel your organisation benefits the community?

The Theatre contributes hugely to the town and surrounding communities: culturally, socially and economically. We host, produce and support some of the most exciting, accessible and entertaining culture in the region. Our annual pantomime has a national reputation and this year's production of Dick Whittington will mark our 50th anniversary.

The Theatre welcomes 50,000 customer visits each year and typically earns 75% of its annual income from trading - a tremendous achievement for a venue with little more than 200 seats, in town with a population of under 7,000. We deliver over 360 ticketed performances of theatre, film, screenings and live performance and over 900 sessions of educational, outreach and community work annually. Thanks to the foresight of the original trustees, and the generosity of the community, The Theatre freehold is owned outright, but that of course comes with significant annual maintenance costs.

Our visitors make good use of the hotels, pubs, cafes and restaurants in the town. We support local business wherever possible, for example using local suppliers for our bar stock and cleaning materials and through joint promotions, sponsorship and advertising. The Theatre employs circa 30 full and part-time staff who also shop locally and support the town while local residents derive lodging/rental income from visiting performers.

The Theatre offers volunteering opportunities, from our Board of Trustees, to the Friends Events team, and the 80+ ushers who cover every performance in the auditorium. Volunteering with The Theatre represents a unique local opportunity to engage with cultural activities and explore new art-forms; to gain confidence and self-esteem, to meet like-minded people (particularly important for those living alone); to develop skills and share knowledge - and to feel valuable as part of a team making a real difference to a much loved community asset.

The Theatre is open to everyone – our excellent Take Part community and education team offer a range of sessions for people of all ages and abilities including people living with dementia, and their carers, children and adults with learning difficulties or who are neurodivergent. We support local schools through West Oxfordshire Curriculum Partners, liaising regularly with local Drama and English tutors. We offer complimentary community tickets, via local partners including Chippy Larder, the foodbank, Cottsway Housing, St Mary’s Church and local schools, for films and live events, including pantomime, and ‘Take Part’ activity bursaries for those experiencing economic disadvantage.

During the Covid pandemic and throughout 2021 and 2022 The Theatre has made huge strides forward in successful long-term support and engagement with local families. In response to the current cost of living crisis and supported by theatre sponsor, Wise Investment, our free children’s lunches initiative throughout school holidays has been hugely appreciated and by linking this initiative to free holiday film screenings, funded by the Town Council, we have reached many families that have not engaged with The Theatre previously. Free lunch provision rose from 10-20 lunches handed out daily to 538 free week-long lunch bags given out this summer, covering 2,690 meals and covering over 120 families. Meanwhile outreach projects like ‘Christmas Windows’, ‘Acting Out’, ‘Backstage Pass and HAF projects, in collaboration with other local Town Council funded organisations like The Lido, have deepened engagement further.

3. Outline any fundraising activities that your organisation has undertaken in the past year.

In addition to our Town Council and other local authority funding, The Theatre secures sponsorship, grants and donations from a wide range of organisations and individuals. We run fundraising events, including an auction of promises and our Panto Fun Run. A full list of our current funders is included in our brochures and on our website.

4. Do you have any special projects which require additional financial expenditure by your organisation in the next year?

In addition to helping to support The Theatre overall we would like to extend our ‘Take Part’ bursary and community ticket provision to meet the rising demand as the cost of living increases. At present we fund 14 bursary places per year and we currently have 19 children on our waiting list for support. All of these families and children are local and facing hardship, some of the children are vulnerable and in care.

5. If awarded a grant last year from CNTC could you please state how the funds helped your organisation and what they were used for.

Last year’s grant award enabled us to offer two socially distanced performances of our Pantomime (Rapunzel), a second summer season of outdoor live theatre and deepen our engagement with hard-to-reach local families who face poverty and low access to arts activities.

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CHIPPING NORTON TOWN COUNCIL

APPLICATION FOR GRANTS TO VOLUNTARY BODIES 2022/2023

Organisation ...Thrive Northox.....

Contact Person ... [REDACTED]

Address [REDACTED]

Phone No... [REDACTED]

Email Add...contact@thrive-northox.co.uk.....

Grant sought £ ...2,000.....

Cheque payable to...Thrive-Northox.....

1. What are the general aims of your organisation? *Thrive aims to provide new, essential items to families within the OX7 area who, due to poverty or crisis, are unable to otherwise access them. The majority of these items can be broadly classified as school uniform (including shoes and PE kit), educational support such as for the Nurture Room activities at Chipping Norton School (CNS), health and wellbeing such as goody bags, fidget toys and footballs, flooring and home appliances.*
2. In what ways do you feel your organisation benefits the community? *We work through a system of referrals that are raised and emailed to us by a network of social care workers such as health visitors, social workers, school family support workers and Citizen's Advice consultants. We provide support to children's education by buying school uniform, shoes and PE kit. We support young people's mental health through CNS's Nurture Room and the Breakfast Club with food vouchers that are issued on a termly basis. We have donated to CNS Gardening Club for plants and equipment. We fund other extra-curricular activities such as swimming lessons, singing lessons and residential trips for students who would otherwise not gain access to them. We pay for carpets and fitting for families moving into housing stock with bare concrete floors. When domestic appliances breakdown and their replacement is out of the scope of an already stretched family budget, we buy and arrange for delivery of items such as washing machines, fridges and cookers. We work closely with our partners within the town at St Mary's Church and Chippy Larder to ensure that those in need get the help we can provide. At Christmas in particular, we buy toiletry items for festive hampers distributed by St Mary's and toys and vouchers for a pop-up shop of children's and young people's Christmas gifts run by Chippy Larder for invited families.*
3. Outline any fundraising activities that your organisation has undertaken in the past year. *In April 2022 we ran a refreshments stall at a National Gardens Scheme Open Garden event at Sarsden near Churchill. We also run stalls from time to time in the Chipping Norton Co-op Community area. Much of our community fundraising ceased during the Covid-19 pandemic during which time, we made applications to grant funders which has been successful in keeping us afloat.*
4. Do you have any special projects which require additional financial expenditure by your organisation in the next year? *Our spending on supporting Christmas hampers and gifts has increased year on year. In 2021, this total came to £3,700 so we would like to be able to at least match that for Christmas 2022 when families are suffering hardship in so many other areas. We are conscious that we still need to be able to fund a probable increase in demand throughout the rest of the year stemming from the on-going cost of living crisis.*

5. If awarded a grant last year from CNTC could you please state how the funds helped your organisation and what they were used for. *For the grant of £5,000 award in July 2021, we were asked to allocate funds as outlined in the summary table below. Note that total spend differs from the allocation amount in the Toiletries category due to the support we received from the Chipping Norton's Co-operative in-store "Toiletries Bank". This meant we were able to allocate the underspend on Toiletries to the Respite care and White goods categories. A detailed breakdown can be found in the Spreadsheet attached to email.*

Allocation	Amount	Total spend
Uniform, inc shoe vouchers	2,000.00	2,001.00
White goods	1,000.00	1,080.96
Carpets	800.00	800.00
Children's activities	400.00	400.55
Respite care	300.00	482.98
Toiletries	500.00	234.51
	5,000.00	5,000.00

(Please see attached Spreadsheet for a full breakdown of the funding provided to us)

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APPLICATION FOR GRANTS TO VOLUNTARY BODIES 2022/2023

Organisation **Volunteer Link Up**

Contact Person [REDACTED]

Address **Methodist Church Centre, 10 Wesley Walk, Witney, Oxon. OX28 1ND**
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Phone No [REDACTED]

Email Add [REDACTED]

Grant sought **£2000.00**.....

Cheque payable to **Volunteer Link Up**.....

What are the general aims of your organisation?

Volunteer Link Up provides 3 main services to communities across Oxfordshire. COMMUNITY TRANSPORTATION: Volunteer drivers transport individuals to medical appointments, employment/benefit related appointments, shopping trips etc. The most frequent requests are for older residents to attend medical and dental appointments and we seek to prioritise these requests. Volunteers use their own cars and are paid 45p per mile by the transportation clients. BEFRIENDING: Our volunteer befrienders seek to reduce loneliness and isolation within their communities. There is an expectation of a minimum of 2 contacts per week between volunteer and client, although there are often more contacts. Many of our befrienders also carry out practical tasks for our clients, such as shopping, garden tidying, cleaning and small DIY tasks. Our Volunteer Co-ordinator goes to great lengths to match volunteer and client appropriately, matches may be based on practical requirements, age, interests etc. The Volunteer Co-ordinator regularly 'checks in' with volunteer and client to ensure the arrangement is running smoothly and positively. Staff at VLU are always available to offer volunteers advice and support as necessary.

Our Community Transportation and Befriending services are available to all residents of West Oxfordshire.

GOOD NEIGHBOUR SCHEME CO-ORDINATION: VLU have a sub-contract arrangement with Age UK to co-ordinate Good Neighbour Schemes across the County of Oxfordshire. The Good Neighbour Schemes offer support to their communities across the county, they will organise volunteers to assist individuals with a range of interventions such as transportation, practical help, gardening, small DIY tasks, shopping, administrative tasks and befriending. The GNS Co-ordination information is for information only, we are not seeking funding to support this area of our work.

In what ways do you feel your organisation benefits the community?

We seek to benefit the community by improving access to all services, particularly medical, dental and social care appointments. We therefore assist in improving our clients physical and mental health. Our befriending service is instrumental in reducing the impact of loneliness and isolation on individuals who engage with us. When appropriate, our volunteers will also assist with basic practical tasks such as cleaning, gardening and simple DIY tasks.

We currently have 80 clients in Chipping Norton who are registered with our services. We have 12 active volunteers registered with ourselves in Chipping Norton.

Outline any fundraising activities that your organisation has undertaken in the past year.

Volunteer Link Up maintain their activities by completing grant applications. In the past year we have submitted successful applications to the following organisations/funding streams:

- **Contain Outbreak Management Fund**
- **OCC Sustainability Fund**
- **OCC Supported Transport Fund**
- **West Oxfordshire District Council**
- **Witney Town Council**
- **Parish Councils**

We are willing and able to provide quantitative and qualitative reporting information as required.

Do you have any special projects which require additional financial expenditure by your organisation in the next year?

We are currently seeing a significant increase in requests for our services. We are currently actively seeking new volunteers and we will be undertaking recruitment activities on an ongoing basis, as well as producing publicity materials specifically targeting new volunteers.

We also plan to widen the training opportunities which are made available to our volunteers. This training will include more comprehensive safeguarding training than is currently offered. We are also acutely aware that some of our clients are experiencing financial difficulties, which will be ongoing. We need to make our volunteers more aware of the practical and financial help available both locally and nationally. This is helpful information which they can pass on to the clients who they interact with.

If awarded a grant last year from CNTC could you please state how the funds helped your organisation and what they were used for.

N/A

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CHIPPING NORTON TOWN COUNCIL

APPLICATION FOR GRANTS TO VOLUNTARY BODIES 2022

Organisation CHIPPING NORTON SCHOOL PTA

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Contact Person [REDACTED] CHAIR, CNS PTA

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Address [REDACTED]

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Phone No [REDACTED]

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Email Add [REDACTED]

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Grant sought £ 5000.....

Cheque payable to CHIPPING NORTON SCHOOL PTA.....

1. What are the general aims of your organisation?

To raise money for the benefit of all the pupils at Chipping Norton School – the town’s only secondary school – through holding fundraising events open to parents and carers, pupils, staff and the wider community. Profits are used for the purchase of equipment and resources which fall outside the usual school budget.

2. In what ways do you feel your organisation benefits the community?

As the only secondary school in Chipping Norton, Chipping Norton School is attended by around 1000 children aged 11-18 from the town and surrounding villages. The PTA can enhance the education provided for those children through the provision of extra equipment. This has included chopping boards, stands and washing baskets for the food tech room; art easels for the art and design rooms; German dictionaries for the modern languages department; soundproofing for the music room; computing equipment for the SEN department; a 3D printer for the D&T Department; and outdoor equipment for use by those students doing their DofE. We encourage applications for funding from all departments and aim to share the money we raise among as many departments and therefore as many students as possible.

3. Outline any fundraising activities that your organisation has undertaken in the past year.

One of our main fundraising activities is a Christmas raffle held at the end of November, raising over £2000 in 2020 and in 2021. We also sell teas and cake at Chastleton House during their open season and provide and sell refreshments during school events such as the upcoming production of Matilda. We have secured a stall at Christmas in Chippy on the 11 December to sell refreshments. Furthermore, we have a donations portal on the website which looks to raise regular funds via direct donations from the parents so that the school can benefit from a consistent stream of income. We are currently raising £80 per month and hope to double that over the coming year.

4. Do you have any special projects which require additional financial expenditure by your organisation in the next year?

We are currently thinking about how we better support mental health at the school whether this is through more space for groups, school trips or investing in additional counselling support. We would like to deliver this in conjunction with a charity such as Head Space and are currently exploring avenues on this. It would be fantastic to have support from the Town Council on this vital service for our young people.

5. If awarded a grant last year from CNTC could you please state how the funds helped your organisation and what they were used for.

We were awarded £5000 last year for which we are extremely grateful. Chipping Norton School has raised money to help the school improve its outdoor areas and create social spaces for use by current and future pupils in all year groups to aid recovery from the pandemic including:

Improving the library garden area with a view to creating a group of students who will then look after the area in the future

Creating a year round quiet picnic and reflection area for all students.

The Town Council grant has played a pivotal role in kick starting these projects. The grant has enabled us to purchase basketball hoops, some seating and resources (plants, bird bath, lighting, hose pipe) for the new library garden area in addition to some wooden benches for the quiet picnic area. The three areas have now been greatly improved with many different groups of students benefiting.

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CHIPPING NORTON TOWN COUNCIL

APPLICATION FOR GRANTS TO VOLUNTARY BODIES 2022/2023

Organisation: Lawrence Home Nursing Team Ltd

Contact Person: [REDACTED], Head of Fundraising

Address: Chipping Norton Hospital, Russell Way, London Road, Chipping Norton
OX7 5FA

Phone No: [REDACTED]

Email: fundraiser@lawrencehomenursing.org

Grant sought: £2000

Cheque payable to: Lawrence Home Nursing Team Ltd

1. What are the general aims of your organisation?

The Lawrence Home Nursing Team provide people with free, end of life nursing care in their own homes. When asked, most of us say we want to die at home, in the comfort of familiar surroundings, close to those we love. The Lawrence Home Nursing Team gives people and their families the support they need to make that possible. Providing free hands-on care, day and night, our nurses help to fulfil the wishes of anyone who wants to die at home.

The team of 20 registered nurses also provides respite care and support to the patient's family. Every nurse is experienced in end of life care, able to treat symptoms and administer medication.

2. In what ways do you feel your organisation benefits the community?

The exceptional care provided by the nursing team enables people to stay in their own home at the end of their life, surrounded by family, friends and pets. Guided by a patient's needs and wishes, nurses work closely with GPs and community nurses to manage symptoms and give each person the care that's right for them. By helping people to relax and feel like themselves the nurses make sure patients and their families get the most out of their last moments together.

Our nurses care for anyone aged over 18 who is in their last weeks of life and the service is free of charge. We receive an NHS annual grant of £20,000 and therefore reliant on income from grants, donations, legacies and income from fundraising events to cover our costs which are expected to be £496,000 this financial year.

3. Outline any fundraising activities that your organisation has undertaken in the past year.

We have held a number of fundraising events this year, including an Opera Evening in Church Enstone, the Jane Phillips Memorial Cricket Day at Chipping Norton Cricket Club and a Race Night at Sandford St Martin Cricket Club. We are planning a musical evening at Kirtlington Park in November and our annual Candles of Remembrance Service will take place at the Methodist Church in Chipping Norton on Friday, 16th December.

We continue to sell thank you and Christmas cards each year and our collecting tubs are on display in various outlets in and around Chipping Norton.

Our supporters continue to fundraise for us and organise events in the community or take part in fundraising activities including sponsored walks, cycle rides and participating in the London Marathon.

4. Do you have any special projects which require additional financial expenditure by your organisation in the next year?

We would like to hold a series of awareness raising talks in our catchment area which includes the health centre of Chipping Norton and any grant awarded would be used to cover the cost of staging these talks including venue hire, printing of literature and providing refreshments. We would also like to purchase a microphone and stand.

5. If awarded a grant last year from CNTC could you please state how the funds helped your organisation and what they were used for.

We did not receive a grant in 2021.

If you wish to make any additional points in support of your application, please continue overleaf.

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**APPLICATIONS RECEIVED FOR GRANTS TO VOLUNTARY BODIES
2021/2022**

Cost Code 101/7670	Grant received 2020/2021	Grant sought 2021/2022	Decision of meeting
ATC, C/N	No grant applied for	£4,000.00	£2,000.00
CAP Life Skills	£500.00	No grant applied for	
C/N School PTA	Table Tennis grant	£5,000.00	£5,000.00
Chippy Larder	£1,000.00	No grant applied for	
Community Suppers (C/N Community Church)	No grant applied for	£500.00	£500.00
Community First Responders, South Central Ambulance Service, C/N	£1,000.00	No grant applied for	
Cricket Club, C/N	No grant applied for	£2,000.00	£1,500.00
Friends of Great Rollright School	No grant applied for	At our discretion	£500.00
Gateway Club, C/N	£500.00	No grant applied for	
Glyme Hall Youth Club	£1,000.00	No grant applied for	
Green Gym	£1,000.00	£1,000.00	£1,000.00
Home Start - Banbury	£2,900.00	£2,900.00	£2,900.00
Lido	£5,000.00	£5,000.00	£4,000.00
Literary Festival, ChipLitFest	£600.00	No grant applied for	
Mindful Mums, C/N	No grant applied for	£5,000.00	£500.00
Museum, C/N	£3,000.00	£3,500.00	£1,000.00
Music Festival	£1,000.00	No grant applied for	
Pet Food Bank, C/N	£300.00	No grant applied for	
Pre-School, C/N	£850.00	£10,000.00	£2,000.00
Rainbows	£500.00	£250.00	£250.00
Regulated Pastures, C/N (Field Reeves)	£0.00	No grant applied for	
Rifle and Pistol Club, C/N	No grant applied for	£3,000.00	£0.00
Royal British Legion, C/N	No grant applied for	£3,000.00	£700.00
SENjoy, Dance Class	£250.00	No grant applied for	
Scouts, C/N	£500.00	£1,000.00	£1,000.00
Sunshine Cat Rescue	£0.00	£1,000.00	£0.00
Swifts Football, C/N	£1,500.00	No grant applied for	
Theatre, C/N	£5,000.00	£5,000.00	£3,000.00
Town Festival, C/N	£500.00	No grant applied for	
WOWI - Womens Institute	No grant applied for	£150.00	£150.00
	Total of grants requested	£52,300.00	£26,000.00
		Total Awarded	



CHIPPING NORTON TOWN COUNCIL

GRANTS POLICY

Introduction

Section 137 of the Local Government Act enables Chipping Norton Town Council to spend an amount of money for which they have no other statutory duty. The amount is limited by the number of persons on the electoral roll. Chipping Norton Town Council has a responsibility of awarding grants in a fair way. Applicants are requested to enclose a copy of the last financial year accounts and to add any information to back up the application.

Scope

Chipping Norton Town Council is allowed to use Section 137 money on purposes for the direct benefit of its area. Chipping Norton Town Council will not fund any activities outside of its powers of fund any activities which would be the responsibility of a Statutory Authority.

Budgeting

The Council allocates an amount of money for grant funding each year when setting the budget.

Process

All grant requests are to be made to the Town Clerk by the 25th September 2022. Applications are considered at a Grants to Voluntary Bodies meeting in October where each application will be treated on its own merits and then will be properly authorised by resolution at the full Town Council in October.

Criteria

- Will the grant have a direct benefit to the Parish or some of the residents?
- How will the grant be used?
- Is the request from a Voluntary Body? Grants are not awarded to individuals.
- Should the request be funded by another statutory authority or body?
- Applicant to provide a copy of last audited accounts to show that there is a need for the grant.
- The grant must be used for the project or requirements requested and if not the grant must be returned to the Town Council.
- Only one grant allowed in a twelve month period.

Clawback

If grant is not used for the stated purposes the Town Council has the right to request the grant money back.

Outcome

All applicants are to be advised of the Council's decision.