



Northampton  
TOWN COUNCIL

**GRANTS SUB-COMMITTEE –13<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER – 11:00 HOURS**

**To Members of the Grants Sub Committee:**

Cllrs Birch (Chair), Alwahabi, Holland-Delamere, Hibbert, Russell and Stevens

**You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of the Grants Sub-Committee to be held in the Town Council Committee Room, Northampton Guildhall, on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> November 2024 at 9:30 hours when the business set out below will be transacted.**

This Sub-Committee meeting is open to the public and press to attend and those attending the meeting shall be informed that they may be recorded. Public participation is in accordance with the Town Council's public participation policy.

Cc'd electronically to all other councillors for information

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Stuart Carter'.

**Stuart Carter**  
Town Clerk  
7<sup>th</sup> November 2024

**Guildhall**  
Northampton  
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## **GRANTS SUB-COMMITTEE – 25<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2024**

MINUTES OF THE GRANTS SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 25<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2024 AT 6PM IN THE TOWN COUNCIL'S COMMITTEE ROOM, LOCATED IN THE GUILDHALL, NORTHAMPTON

**PRESENT:** Councillors Birch (Chair), Hibbert, Holland-Delamere and Stevens

**OFFICERS PRESENT:** S Carter (Town Clerk) and F Barford (Democratic Services Officer)

### **9. APOLOGIES**

Apologies were submitted by Councillors Alwahabi and Russell.

### **10. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

### **11. TO AUTHORISE THE CHAIR TO SIGN THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS HELD 5<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2024**

**RESOLVED:** The Chair was authorised to sign the minutes of the previous meeting held on 5<sup>th</sup> June 2024 as a true and accurate record of the proceedings

### **12. GRANT APPLICATIONS TO THE COUNCILLOR'S COMMUNITY FUND**

a) CCF275 - **SPORTS4FITNESS CIC** - £500 – ACTION FOR CHILDREN CELEBRATION DAY 2024 – LANE – BOOTHVILLE

**RESOLVED:** It was agreed that application CCF275 be approved to the sum of £500.

b) CCF276 - **FRIENDS OF BILLING ROAD CEMETERY** – £200 – PLANTING – TARASIEWICZ & PURSER – ABINGTON

**RESOLVED:** It was agreed that application CCF276 be approved to the sum of £200.

c) CCF278 - **UNITED AFRICAN ASSOCIATION** - £400 – AFRICAN YOUTH ACTIVITIES – ASHRAF – ST. JAMES

**RESOLVED:** It was agreed that application CCF278 be approved to the sum of £400.

d) CCF279 - **THE COUNTY TOY LIBRARY** - £300 – SUPPORT FOR CHILDREN/YOUNG PEOPLE WITH ADDITIONAL NEEDS – ASHRAF – ST. JAMES

**RESOLVED:** It was agreed that application CCF279 be approved to the sum of £300.

e) CCF280 - **NORTHAMPTON ASSOCIATION OF YOUTH CLUBS (NAYC)** - £1,500 – BRIAR HILL YOUTH CLUB – CONNOLLY – BRIAR HILL

**RESOLVED:** It was agreed that application CCF280 be approved to the sum of £1,500.

f) CCF281 - **QPWMC** - £500 – EVENTS FOR LOCAL RESIDENTS – BIRCH – TRINITY

**RESOLVED:** It was agreed that application CCF281 be approved to the sum of £500.

g) CCF282 - **SEMILONG & TRINITY NEIGHBOURHOOD FORUM** - £100 – PRIMROSE GARDEN – BIRCH – TRINITY

**RESOLVED:** It was agreed that application CCF282 be approved to the sum of £100.

h) CCF283 - **HOLY TRINITY CHURCH** - £400 – AUTUMN FAIR AND CHRISTMAS EVENT – BIRCH – TRINITY

**RESOLVED:** It was agreed that application CCF283 be approved to the sum of £400.

i) CCF284 - **TEAM SHOEBOX** - £750 – BOXING SHOW DINNER – HAQUE – CASTLE

**RESOLVED:** It was agreed that application CCF284 be approved to the sum of £750.

j) CCF285 – **MARTIAL ARTS ACADEMY** - £500 – KIDS SUMMER ACTIVITY DAY – FUCHSHUBER & MEREDITH – TALAVERA

**RESOLVED:** It was agreed that application CCF285 be approved to the sum of £500.

jj) CCF286 – **FRIENDS OF EASTFIELD PARK** – £400 - PATH MAINTENANCE – MIAH - HEADLANDS

kk) CCF287 – **MOULTON LEYS RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION** – £200 - BLOOM – LANE – BOOTHVILLE

ll) CCF288 – **UNITED WOMEN & YOUTH PROGRAMME** - £1,500 – AUTUMN PROGRAMME – ASHRAF, ISMAIL, HAQUE AND ALWAHABI

### **13. COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT OFFICER'S REPORT ON APPLICATION TO THE GENERAL COMMUNITY GRANTS SCHEME**

k) CGF119 - Northants Knights Academy - £4,535.50

**RECOMMENDED:** It was recommended application CGF119 be declined, as the organisation was based outside of the Northampton Town Council boundary.

l) CGF120 - Ailsa's Aim - £4,000.00

**RECOMMENDED:** It was recommended application CGF120 be declined, as the Town Council was already supporting a charity completing similar work.

m) CGF121 - Project 16:15 - £10,000.00

**RECOMMENDED:** It was recommended application CGF121 be declined, as the organisation intends to use the funding to expand its services outside of the Northampton Town Council boundary.

n) CGF122 - Lumina Arts Alliance - £3,000.00

**RECOMMENDED:** it was recommended application CGF122 be declined as there was no clear community need.

o) CGF123 - Bespoke Ballroom - £3,000.00

It was commented the applicant should be referred to West Northamptonshire Council regarding funding opportunities.

**RECOMMENDED:** it was recommended application CGF123 be declined as the Town Council does provide funding to any for-profit companies/organisations.

p) CGF124 - The Good Gym - £9,733.12

**RECOMMENDED:** It was recommended application CGF124 be declined, it was commented the applicant was welcome to apply in future for funding once the organisation had been established and could provide data on its service.

q) CGF125 - Outside in Theatre - £5,000.00

**RECOMMENDED:** It was recommended application CGF125 be deferred for further information from the applicant on how the subsidisation of tickets would work, how many children would attend each session and what space within the museum would be used.

r) CGF126 - Trilogy Active - £4,148.00

**RECOMMENDED:** It was recommended application CGF126 be deferred for further information from the Shaw Trust on a similar project NTC funded.

s) CGF127 - Northampton Film Festival - £5,503.00

**RECOMMENDED:** it was recommended that application CGF127 be approved for payment and the Community Services Committee consider funding this event from the Events Budget next financial year (25-26).

t) CGF128 - Family Support Link - £3,150.00

**RECOMMENDED:** It was recommended application CGF128 be approved for payment.

u) CGF129 - Life Music Northants - £2,000.00

**RECOMMENDED:** It was recommended application CGF129 be declined as the Town Council previously funded Life Music Northants for a similar project and other funding sources for the organisation should be sought.

uu) CGF130 – Moulton Leys Residents Association - £2,590.80

**RECOMMENDED:** It was recommended application CGF130 be approved for payment.

#### **14. GRANT APPLICATIONS TO THE CLIMATE CHANGE GRANT SCHEME**

v) CCGS7 – Delapre Abbey Preservation Trust - £5,000 – Solar Panels for Stables

it was commented that Delapre and Far Cotton Community Council should be approached on any funding available for this project.

**RECOMMENDED:** It was recommended application CCGS7 be declined as Delapre Abbey falls outside of the Northampton Town Council boundary.

w) CCGS8 – Royal & Derngate - £5,000 – New Recycling System

**RESOLVED:** It was recommended application CCGS8 be approved to the sum of £5,000 with the condition the bins purchased with this funding feature Northampton Town Council branding.

#### **15. TO PROVIDE RETROSPECTIVE APPROVAL TO TIME SENSITIVE GRANT APPLICATIONS**

x) CCF268 – NORTHAMPTON BANGLADESHI ASSOC. – £500 - NBA ANNUAL SUMMER FAIR – MARRIOTT – SEMILONG

RESOLVED: It was agreed that application CCF268 be approved to the sum of £500.

y) CCF269 – C2C SOCIAL ACTION – £200 - BLOOM GRANT – ALWAHABI - CASTLE

**RESOLVED:** It was agreed that application CCF269 be approved to the sum of £200.

z) CCF270 – LINGS PRIMARY SCHOOL – £1,000 - LIBRARY REFURBISHMENT – FUCHSHUBER & MEREDITH – TALAVERA

**RESOLVED:** It was agreed that application CCF270 be approved to the sum of £1,000.

aa) CCF271 – 99TH NORTHAMPTON GUIDES - £500 – GUIDE CAMP HOLIDAY – HOLLAND-DELAMERE – RECTORY FARM

**RESOLVED:** It was agreed that application CCF271 be approved to the sum of £500.

bb) CCF272 – SEND MUMMAS NORTHAMPTON - £225 – SEND MUMMAS PLAY & STAY – RUSSELL – KINGSLEY

**RESOLVED:** It was agreed that application CCF272 be approved to the sum of £225.

cc) CCF273 – ST VINCENT DE PAUL’S SOCIETY - £1,200 – DAY TRIP FOR FAMILIES TO WICKSTEED PARK & DINNER WITH ENTERTAINMENT FOR OVER 60’S – FUCHSHUBER & MEREDITH – TALAVERA

**RESOLVED:** It was agreed that application CCF273 be approved to the sum of £1,200.

dd) CCF274 – NORTHAMPTON BRANCH OF ASSOC OF UKRAINIANS IN GB AUGB - £700 – COACH HIRE FOR UKRAINIAN COMMUNITY TRIP IN DERBY – BIRCH – TRINITY

**RESOLVED:** It was agreed that application CCF274 be approved to the sum of £700.

**MEETING CONCLUDED: 4:45PM**

## 5. GRANT APPLICATIONS TO THE COUNCILLOR'S COMMUNITY FUND

Application Reference	Organisation	Project	Requested Amount	Councillor	Ward
CCF290	57 <sup>th</sup> Mencap Scout Group	Kandersteg international camp Switzerland August 2025	£1300	Joyce	Eastfield
CCF291	The Methodist Homestead	Resident's Christmas Fund	£200	Birch	Trinity
CCF292	Northants United	Northants United Uniform for children	£500	Haque	Castle
CCF293	Northampton Cats Protection League	Support for people on means tested benefits to facilitate their ability to keep their pet cat(s) for the mental and emotional well-being of the owner.	£1000	Fuchshuber/ Meredith	Talavera
CCF294	The 3 Pillars Feeding the Homeless	Funding of foodbank	£300	Ashraf	St James
CCF295	Shine Development CIC	Community Christmas Support	£700	Holland Delamere	Rectory Farm

CCF296	65 <sup>th</sup> Northampton Brownies	Nene Wetlands Wildlife Experience	£270	Kilbride	Abington
CCF297	65 <sup>th</sup> Northampton Brownies	Brownies and Gudies Christmas Pantomime	£350	Kilbride	Abington
CCF298	46 <sup>th</sup> Northampton Scout Group	Scout trip to Pantomime	£500	Holland Delamere	Rectory Farm
CCF299	Eastfield District Guides	Bi-annual district show	£750	Hallam / Lane	Parklands / Boothville
CCF300	WAGONIK INTEGRACYJNY Northampton - Autism Support Group	Family Christmas event	£1900	Tarasiewicz	Abington
CCF301	Deafconnect	Connecting Communities 2gether project	£900	Ashraf	St James



**General Community Grants Report**

Grant Reference	Organisation	Comments	Committee Recommendation	Amount
<p align="center"><b>CGF131</b></p>	<p align="center">NN Contemporary Art - NNCA (legal name Northampton Arts Collective)</p>	<p>NN Nights was an initiative held across Northampton on August 16, 2024. Northampton Town Council funded the event's first instalment, supporting the development of an interactive website and establishing a micro-grant scheme for local artists to exhibit their work.</p> <p>The event received positive feedback, but this new application requests support for a second event of the same format. The organisation hopes to hold these events quarterly; however, if they become dependent on NTC's funding to continue, the initiative may risk becoming unsustainable.</p> <p>NN Nights aligns with the council's commitment to fostering a vibrant, creative town. It may be worthwhile to meet with the organisation to discuss ways to ensure more sustainable support moving forward.</p>		<p align="center">£5,000</p>
<p align="center"><b>CGF132</b></p>	<p align="center">Northamptonshire Black History Association</p>	<p>This project aims to preserve Northamptonshire's Black history archives by establishing a permanent, accessible home on Guildhall Road. Alongside this, it includes the creation of a digital platform and a local volunteer program focused on recruitment and upskilling. These efforts align with NTC's commitment to supporting local heritage.</p> <p>As part of a larger funding bid with the Heritage Lottery Fund, the project has been conditionally awarded £42,437, contingent on securing local match funding. Without the council's support, this grant—and the project itself—would be at risk.</p> <p>Please note: The application specifies that NN Contemporary Art will serve as the designated account holder. The applicant explained that their organisation is currently transitioning bank accounts due to trustee changes. While they work to establish a</p>		<p align="center">£5,000</p>

		new account, NN Contemporary Art has agreed in writing to hold the funds responsibly on their behalf.		
<b>CGF133</b>	Dance mind	<p>Dance Mind is an organisation specialising in work with adults facing mental or physical health challenges, particularly older adults. This project aims to continue their Dance Elders sessions at Delapr� Abbey in 2025 and is part of a broader fundraising effort.</p> <p>While the sessions take place outside NTC's boundary, residents of Northampton attend and benefit from them. I discussed the application with the applicant beforehand and clarified that NTC policy prohibits funding core costs. The costs in the application cover dance instructors, evaluation, travel expenses, and room hire—all of which may be considered core costs for the organisation. If NTC were to support this application, it could potentially cover room hire at �660.</p> <p>Without the full funding requested for the Dance Elders</p>		�10,000

		programme, the project will only be able to run for eight weeks in 2025, due to a smaller contribution from West Northamptonshire Council.		
<b>CGF134</b>	Gingerbread, the charity for single parent families	This is a national charity that provide support for single parent families. They have recently began delivering a monthly support group at Delapre Abbey. This is outside of NTC's boundary and the application doesn't state where people are travelling from to attend the sessions. The application also refers to the area as 'Nottingham'. This suggests the application isn't being made by a member of the Northampton Community. The costs on the application are for staff costs, volunteer expenses.		£3,000
<b>CGF135</b>	Restore Northampton	Restore are responsible for various food aid initiatives throughout the town and this is continue running their charity allotment. It's run by a team of volunteers and people are referred into this service from other organisations. The organisation has been awarded part funding from Northampton Community Foundation and the requested amount to continue delivering the allotment. The costs in the application are unclear		£9,982

		as it mentions team costs. The money requested will enable them to keep the project going for the next financial year.		
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**Previous Grant Requires Attention**

<b>CGF126</b>	Trilogy Active	This application was deferred for further information from a previous grant which we have now received.		£ 4,148.00
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