

Report to the Champion for Older People Report submitted by: Head of Service Legal, Governance and Registrars

Electoral Division affected: (All Divisions);

Champion Grants Scheme Application from: TOFFS

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Brief Summary

This report presents an application from an organisation requesting £400 towards the hire of Walton-le-Dale bowling green, and bowling tournaments from the Champion for Older People budget.

Recommendation

That consideration be given to the request for grant funding as set out in this report.

Detail

The role of Champion was first established in 2002 and the county council currently has six Champions, whose role is to support the Leader and individual Cabinet Members within their remits.

The six county council Champions are as follows:

- Armed Forces and Veterans
- Disabled People
- Mental Health
- Older People
- Parishes
- Young People

For the financial year 2023/24, each Champion has been given an annual allocation of £10,000 for use at their discretion to finance their activities, to which any unspent balance up to a maximum of £2,500 from the previous financial year could be added.

giving a maximum budget of £12,500 in any one financial year. The Champion for Older People total budget is set out in the financial section of the report.

Details of the request for grant funding are shown below:

Full name of your organisation

TOFFS

How much are you applying for? Minimum £100

£400

What are you going to spend the grant on? Please give a brief outline of the project.

Hiring Walton-Le-Dale Bowling Green for 2 afternoons per week during the bowling season. Organising four bowling tournaments, three all day with lunch and one with lunch and dinner.

Date of your project / event or the purchase of goods

1st April – 30th September

What are the benefits expected to be achieved?

Company and socialising for their vulnerable and lonely members

Please give a detailed breakdown of your expenditure for your activity / equipment.

Hire of Green £600

If you are not asking for the full amount of the cost of your activity / equipment, please give us details of where the rest of the funding is coming from. Please also explain what you will do if we give you the grant, but you do not get the other funding.

Any shortfall is covered by raffles on competition days

If the Champion offers a grant of less than you have asked for, please explain below how that will affect your proposal – for example, will you still be able to complete your project or purchase, will you scale the project back, or seek funding elsewhere?

Any shortfall will be attempted to be covered by raffles on competition days or consider cancelling one of their competition days.



Will the activity involve members of your organisation having significant contact			
with children or vulnerable adults?			
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x No			

Implications:

This item has the following implications, as indicated:

Risk management

No significant risks have been identified in relation to the proposals contained within this report.

Finance

It should be noted that the outstanding amount being requested by organisations for grant applications comes to a combined total of £3.030. The total amount of funding available in the Champion for XXX budget is £6,310.06.

Therefore, the maximum amount of funds that can be approved for outstanding grant requests is £3,030.

An up-date of spend in 2023/24 is shown below:

Budget for 2024/25		£10,000.00
C/F from 2023/24		£0.00
Refunds		£0.00
Total Grant Available in 2024/25		£10,000.00
Grant Allocations Already Approved	Blue Flamingo Community Hub CIC	£689.94
		£689.94
Grant Remaining to be Allocated in 2024/25		£9,310.06
Grants Requests Submitted but not yet Approved or Rejected	Friends of Pendle Brook	£1,000.00
	Brindle Over Fifty Fives (The BOFFS)	£400.00
	Rosemary and Time CIC	£480.00
	£1,880.00	
NEW REQUESTS	Longton Over Fifties Lunch Group	£250.00
	North Meols Nifty Fiftys	£500.00



		£400.00 £1,150.00
Total Grant Requests in Progress		£3,030.00

List of Background Papers

Paper Date Contact

None