



REPORT TO:	Boston Town Area Committee
DATE:	28 <sup>th</sup> September 2023
SUBJECT:	BTAC Small Grant Scheme and BTAC Empowering Healthy Communities Grant Scheme
REPORT AUTHOR:	Maddy Eyre, Local Communities Development Officer and BTAC Grant Administrator
EXEMPT REPORT?	No

#### **SUMMARY**

In accordance with the Committee's Small Grant Scheme, this report presents the applications made to the Small Grants Working Group in Round 2 of the financial year 2023/2024 for both the BTAC Small Grant Scheme and Empowering Healthy Communities Grant Scheme.

To note that the Communities Leadership Team will be submitting a report to committee at their November meeting reviewing the BTAC Empowering Healthy Communities Grant Scheme

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

1. That the Committee endorse the recommendations made by the Working Group in respect of **eligible** application/s.
2. That the committee note that a report reviewing the BTAC Empowering Healthy Communities Grant Scheme will be brought to Committee at their November meeting 2023.

#### **REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS**

The Committee's policy is to consider each eligible application in light of the recommendations made by the Small Grant Working Group.

To ensure the Committee is aware that they will receive a report detailing a review of the BTAC Empowering Healthy Communities Grant Scheme and how it might look going forward.

## OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

None.

## REPORT

- 1.1 2 eligible applications were received in Round 2 of the Boston Town Area Committee Small Grant Scheme, and 0 eligible application received in Round 2 of the Empowering Healthy Communities Grant Scheme. Details of each applicant are set out in Table 1 below. Working Group recommendations to be circulated at full committee as Table 2.

**TABLE 1**

Applicant	Scheme	Project	Amount Requested
Citizens Advice Mid Lincolnshire	BTAC Small Grant Scheme	contribution towards the cost of telephone translation services to support BTAC clients whose first language is not English	£1,000
Centrepont Outreach	BTAC Small Grant Scheme	contribution towards the purchase of food for their Cook Along With Us sessions	£500.00

- 1.2 The Communities and Leadership Team are intending to submit a report to this Committee at their meeting in November 2023 following a review of the current BTAC Empowering Healthy Communities Grant Scheme currently available to community groups and organisations operating within and for the benefit of the BTAC area. This review is a response to whether the fund and its criteria is appropriate and relevant in this post-covid climate.

## CONCLUSION

In conclusion, the Working Group recommendations are to be circulated at full Committee for consideration, in line with the Committee's policy which is to consider each eligible application in light of the Small Grant Working Group's recommendations as well as to note receipt of a report from the BBC Communities Leadership at their meeting scheduled for November 2023.

## FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The value of each grant sought is set out in Table 1. The Committee's current Small Grant and Empowering Healthy Communities Grant Scheme financial position is set out in the finance pro-forma that accompanies this report.

**LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

This work relates directly to the Local Government Act 2000 and to the Duty of Well-being placed upon the Council to promote and improve the well-being of the District.

**CLIMATE CHANGE AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS**

There are no climate change and environmental implications directly arising from this report.

**EQUALITY AND SAFEGUARDING IMPLICATIONS**

Priorities supported will promote fairness and inclusion while supporting Boston Town Area Committee's commitment to equal opportunities for all, including those protected characteristics identified within the Equalities Act 2010

There are no equalities implications within this report. All equalities implications will be managed alongside each individual applicant through the monitoring process of project delivery.

There are no safeguarding implications directly arising from this report.

**OTHER IMPLICATIONS**

None

**CONSULTATION**

Applications have been reviewed by the Small Grant Working Group with their comments set out within Table 2 to be circulated at full committee.

**APPENDICES**

Appendices are listed below and attached to the back of the report: -

N/A	N/A
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**BACKGROUND PAPERS**

Background papers used in the production of this report are listed below: -

Document title	Where the document can be viewed
Grant Applications	Application summaries are available to BTAC Members on request from the Small Grant Scheme Administrator.

<b>CHRONOLOGICAL HISTORY OF THIS REPORT</b>	
<b>Name of body</b>	<b>Date</b>
BTAC Small Grants Scheme Working Group	04 <sup>th</sup> September 2023

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PROFORMA FOR EXECUTIVE APPROVAL OF THE RELEASE OF RESOURCES

(CAPITAL AND REVENUE BUDGETS)

FROM: Caroline Thacker-Smith - Finance Business Partner, PSPS

THIS PROFORMA PROVIDES THE FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS  
IN RESPECT OF THE ATTACHED

REPORT: Boston Town Area Committee

REPORT DATE: 28<sup>th</sup> September 2023

	£ Year 1 2023.24	£ Year 2 2024.25	£ Year 3 2025.26	£ Year 4 2026.27	£ Year 5 2027.28
<b>Revenue</b>					
BTAC Small Grants	1,500.00				
Empowering Healthy Communities Grants	0.00				
<b>Total Revenue Cost</b>	<b>1,500.00</b>				

<b>Funding required:</b>	£1,500.00	<b>Considered by:</b>	<b>Date: 28<sup>th</sup> Sept 2023</b>
Total capital cost	£0	BTAC	
Revenue cost	£1,500.00	Enter Council or Cabinet here	N/A

### Financial Services Comments

The committee has £15,144.09 remaining from the BTAC small grants scheme and £12,350.00 available from the Empowering Healthy Communities Scheme.

If the committee agree to the applications enclosed, there would be £13,644.09 for Small Grants and £12,350.00 for Empowering Health Communities to carry forward.

### Risk

None

### Procurement

### Value for Money Efficiency

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