



REPORT TO:	Boston Town Area Committee
DATE:	16 th November 2023
SUBJECT:	BTAC Small 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 3 of the financial year 2023/2024 for the BTAC Small Grant Scheme.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That the Committee endorse the recommendations made by the Working Group in respect of eligible application/s.

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.

OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

None.

REPORT

1.1 6 eligible applications were received in Round 3 of the Boston Town Area Committee Small 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
Butterfly Hospice Trust – Therapy Service	BTAC Small Grant Scheme	contribution towards therapy service provision at Butterfly Hospice, Boston	£1,000
Boston & South Holland Talking Newspaper	BTAC Small Grant Scheme	contribution towards 1 quarter rent of rooms at Len Medlock Voluntary Centre	£573.78
Boxes of Hope	BTAC Small Grant Scheme	contribute towards the cost of supporting people within the BTAC area to access furniture and other goods from their Holbeach Hub	£1,000
Boston School of Mosaic	BTAC Small Grant Scheme	contribution towards 6 month's rent of Fydell House and the purchase of materials such as nippers, glue, substrate and tiles	£1,000
Pilgrim Hospital Radio	BTAC Small Grant Scheme	To purchase 3 office chairs for radio station at Pilgrim Hospital	£618.69
Boston Hakusan City Exchange	BTAC Small Grant Scheme	contribution to costs towards UK side of Exchange programme	£1,000

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.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The value of each grant sought is set out in Table 1. The Committee's current Small Grant and 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.

CHRONOLOGICAL HISTORY OF THIS REPORT

Name of body	Date
BTAC Small Grants Scheme Working Group	19 th October 2023

REPORT APPROVAL

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BOSTON BOROUGH COUNCIL

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: 16th November 2023

	£ Year 1 2023.24	£ Year 2 2024.25	£ Year 3 2025.26	£ Year 4 2026.27	£ Year 5 2027.28
Revenue					
BTAC Small Grants	5,192.47				
Empowering Healthy Communities Grants	0.00				
Total Revenue Cost	5,192.47				

Funding required: £5,192.47

Considered by:
BTAC

**Date: 16th
November
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Total capital cost £0

Revenue cost £5,192.47

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N/A

Financial Services Comments

The committee has £13,644.09 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 £8,451.62 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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