



REPORT TO:	Boston Town Area Committee
DATE:	28 <sup>th</sup> March 2024
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 4 of the financial year 2023/2024 for the BTAC Small Grant Scheme and 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.

#### **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 4 eligible applications were received in Round 4 of the Boston Town Area Committee Small Grant Scheme and 1 eligible application received of the Boston Town Area Committee 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**

<b>Applicant</b>	<b>Scheme</b>	<b>Project</b>	<b>Amount Requested</b>
Boston Men's Shed	BTAC Small Grant Scheme	To purchase items of equipment to support continuing activities and projects.	£1,000
Boston Women's Aid	BTAC Small Grant Scheme	Contribution towards the cost of drop-in for victims of domestic abuse whose first language is not English.	£1,000
Boston Hanse Group	BTAC Small Grant Scheme	Contribute towards the cost of Boston Hanse Day event	£1,000
Boston Original Band Initiative	BTAC Small Grant Scheme	Contribution towards the cost of equipment to run events to provide a platform for up and coming local bands to perform	£1,000
Citizens Advice Mid Lincolnshire	BTAC Small Grant Scheme	Contribution towards the cost of providing translation services to enhance the delivery of their services	£1,000
Boston Centenary Methodist Church	BTAC EHC Scheme	Contribution to the cost of kitchen refurbishment, lunch club partition and fixing curtain rails within the church building.	£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 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 Empowering Healthy Communities Grant Schemes' 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

## 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

29<sup>th</sup> February 2024

## REPORT APPROVAL

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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

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	£ 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	5,000.00				
Empowering Healthy Communities Grants	1,000.00				
<b>Total Revenue Cost</b>	<b>6,000.00</b>				

<b>Funding required:</b>	£6,000.00	<b>Considered by:</b> BTAC	<b>Date: 28<sup>th</sup> March 2024</b>
Total capital cost	£0		
Revenue cost	£6,000.00	Enter Council or Cabinet here	N/A

#### Financial Services Comments

The committee has £8,451.62 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 £3,451.62 for Small Grants and £11,350.00 for Empowering Health Communities to carry forward.

#### Risk

None

#### Procurement

#### Value for Money Efficiency

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