



Abingdon-on-Thames Town Council

Community grant application form - part A

Please ensure you complete all of this form and Part B and send:

- forms A and B
- your organisation's last set of accounts
- the most recent bank statement

to enquiries@abingdon.gov.uk.

1. About your organisation

Name of the organisation requesting the grant

CHRIST'S HOSPITAL OF ABINGDON

Please state briefly what the purpose of your organisation is

A REGISTERED CHARITY THAT HAS 31 ALMSHOUSES, PROVIDES RELIEF IN NEED TO THE PEOPLE OF ABINGDON, THE SCHOOLS OF ABINGDON AND ABINGDON ORGANISATIONS. OWNS ALBERT PARK A PRIVATE PARK, WITH PUBLIC ACCESS, ENJOYED BY THE PEOPLE OF ABINGDON.

2. Your grant request

Please describe the project for which the grant is needed.

£4,100, IS NEEDED TOWARDS THE UP KEEP OF ALBERT PARK OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AND USED BY THE PEOPLE OF ABINGDON. THE PARK COSTS THE CHARITY IN EXCESS OF £90,000 A YEAR FOR ITS UP KEEP, WHICH IS FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE PEOPLE OF ABINGDON. THE GENEROUS CONTRIBUTION MADE EACH YEAR OF £4,100 HELPS US TO KEEP THE PARK IN A CONDITION ACCEPTABLE FOR THE PEOPLE OF ABINGDON TO ENJOY. WE HAVE RECENTLY BEEN QUOTED £6,500 TO MEND THE FOOTPATHS ,DAMAGED BY THE SEVERE RECENT WEATHER WHICH WE HAVE NOT BUDGETED FOR. WE ALSO HAVE HAD TO REPLACE TREES THAT WERE DAMAGED BY VANDALS AT THE END OF LAST YEAR AT AN EXTRA COST TO US. WE ALSO HAVE RECENTLY INSTALLED ADDITIONAL DOG WASTE BINS

IN THE PARK DUE TO THE INCREASED NUMBER OF DOG WALKERS. WE HAVE ALSO THIS YEAR, INCURRED COSTS WHEN TREES WERE BLOWN DOWN IN THE EXTREME WINDS.

What is the total cost of the project	£96,000 (IN EXCESS OF) FOR 2023
How much grant are you seeking	£4,100.00
What percentage of the total cost of your project are you seeking via this grant	4.27%
How do you plan to raise the rest of the money for your project	WE HAVE BUDGETED FOR ALBERT PARK'S ANNUAL COST FOR 2023, TAKING IN TO ACCOUNT THE ANNUAL PAYMENT OF £4,100.00.
Please show roughly how the costs of the project are broken down	MAINTENANCE OF THE PARK £40,000 TREE MAINTENANCE £20,000 PAVEMENTS & VERGES £5,000 SUPPLIES & UTILITIES £14,000 ALBERT PARK MEMORIAL £5,000 SALARIES £12,000
What fund-raising have you undertaken for this project or others in the past 2 years	NOT APPLICABLE

3. Local benefit.

As members	13 TRUSTEES AND 5 STAFF
How many people take part in your organisation's activities? Give local branch numbers if you are a national organisation.	UNABLE TO SPECIFY AS OUR GRANTS TO SCHOOLS AND ORGANISATIONS COVER A HUGE NUMBER OF ABINGDON PUPILS AND CHILDREN AND ADULTS IN NEED BUT WE DO NOT HOLD THEIR INDIVIDUAL DETAILS.

Please fill in the table below relating to numbers of members and/or recipients falling into each category. Estimates are acceptable provided an “e” is put after the figure.

Age profile	0-16	16-65	over 65
- Governors/Staff (Members)		9	9
- Recipients			

Gender profile	Male	Female
- Governors/Staff (Members)	8	10
- Recipients		

Local connection	Town resident	Attend education in town	Neither resident nor attending education in town
- Members			
- Recipients			

use of all Abingdon Residents

4. Vision and objectives

Please explain how your project will meet the town councils vision and objectives, which are set out below. **You do not need to respond to each point** but it is important that your project addresses the town council’s vision and at least one objectives.

4a. Vision

To develop an inclusive community so that Abingdon is the place where everyone wants to live and where the wellbeing of residents is prioritised. In developing this community, the town will be one which is environmentally sustainable, vibrant, resilient and safe.

4b. Objectives

1. To respond effectively and speedily to the climate emergency

WE HAVE RECENTLY GIVEN A GRANT TO ABINGDON'S CLIMATE EMERGENCY CENTRE, WHO WE SUPPORT. WE ARE ALSO IN THE PROCESS OF IMPLEMENTING A PAPERLESS OFFICE WHERE POSSIBLE. WE ALSO ENCOURAGE THE RESIDENTS OF THE ALMSHOUSES TO RECYCLE AND REUSE. OUR STAFF ARE ENCOURAGED TO USE PUBLIC TRANSPORT/BIKES/WALK TO THE OFFICE.

2. To develop a resilient, sustainable town which will provide a home for residents now and in the future

3. To manage the Council's assets efficiently and effectively to meet for the needs of the community now and in the future

4. To work with community partners to support those who are vulnerable and in need and to create opportunities to increase social inclusivity

WE HAVE TOWN COUNCILLORS AS TRUSTEES OF OUR CHARITY WHO PROVIDE A GOOD LINK TO THE LOCAL COMMUNITY. WE ALSO SUPPORT MANY ABINGDON BASED CHARITIES AND ORGANISATIONS WHO SUPPORT VULNERABLE LOCAL RESIDENTS OF ALL AGES. THIS INCLUDES DIFFERENT TYPES OF SUPPORT SUCH AS THERAPY (INCLUDING ONE TO ONE SESSIONS) HELP AND ADVICE WITH BASICS SUCH AS COOKING AND ALSO RESIDENTIAL THERAPY. WE ALSO PROVIDE HOUSEHOLD GOODS FOR THOSE IN VULNERABLE SITUATIONS IN NEED OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE SUCH AS BEDS, WASHING MACHINES AND COOKERS.

5. Other/previous grant awards

Please provide details of any grant awards you have received from the town council, other councils or large organisations that you have received in the past three years

WE NORMALLY RECEIVE A GRANT OF £4,100 ANNUALLY FROM THE TOWN COUNCIL.

Please list any grant applications to other councils or bodies which are currently pending

NONE.

6. About your organisation

Please explain what structure your organisation has, i.e. is it a charity, a society, or another type of model

REGISTERED CHARITY (205112)

What is the balance of your main account according to the most recent bank statement?

£217,337.92

Additional financial information

Does your organisation have any other finances held in other accounts?

SEE ACCOUNTS ATTACHED, DETAILS BELOW.

If so, please provide full details of all your additional finances, including recent figures.

NEWBURY BUILDING SOCIETY
EPWORTH ETHICAL FUNDS
COIF CHARITIES DEPOSIT FUND

If these funds are earmarked for any specific projects, please provide further information about this.

THE INTEREST ON INVESTMENTS GOES TOWARDS THE ALMSHOUSES MAINTENANCE AND THE GRANTS AWARDED TO THOSE IN NEED.