



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**

Abingdon Lawn Tennis Club

**Please state briefly what the
purpose of your organisation is**

Abingdon Lawn Tennis Club provides the local community with somewhere to play tennis outdoors in a friendly atmosphere as members, as well as providing coaching courses and events for members and non-members alike.

2. Your grant request

Please describe the project for which the grant is needed.

Upgrading of existing halide bulb floodlight fittings to LED on 6 tennis courts plus installation of LED floodlights on 2 tennis courts.

What is the total cost of the project

£86,160 incl. VAT

How much grant are you seeking

£ 5,000 (but anything would be much appreciated)

What percentage of the total cost of your project are you seeking via this grant

~6% (but anything would be much appreciated)

How do you plan to raise the rest of the money for your project

club funds (assisted by an expected interest free loan from Oxfordshire Lawn Tennis Association)

Please show roughly how the costs of the project are broken down

£46k six court upgrade
£35k two court new installation
remainder - deflector shields etc.

What fund-raising have you undertaken for this project or others in the past 2 years

3. Local benefit.

How many people take part in your organisation's activities? Give local branch numbers if you are a national organisation.

As members 391

As recipients 79

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
- Members	75e	206e	110e
- Recipients	36e	30e	13e

Gender profile	Male	Female
- Members	291e	100e
- Recipients	49e	30e

Local connection	Town resident	Attend education in town	Neither resident nor attending education in town
- Members	358e	30e	3e

- Recipients	77e	-	2e
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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.

Abingdon Lawn Tennis Club has been established for over 100 years, contributing to the attraction of living in Abingdon. The project would make the club more environmentally sustainable as the floodlights proposed are far more efficient than our current ones.

4b. Objectives

1 To respond effectively and speedily to the climate emergency

The project would make the club significantly more environmentally sustainable as the floodlights proposed use approximately half of the electricity than our current ones. (They will also reduce the draw from the local electricity network as a whole.) As they come on immediately they also do not need to be turned on in advance to 'warm up' like our current floodlights.

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**
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We have no entry requirements and so provide tennis facilities for all ages and abilities. We are the only tennis club in Abingdon and have a variety of sessions every weekday evening. We have a range of junior and senior coaching courses for all standards including complete beginners and non-members. We also host summer junior and senior tournaments that are open to non-members as well as members. Floodlights will make it easier for those who work during the day to find times to play.

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

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

6. About your organisation

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

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

Community Amateur Sports Club

£124,117

(This includes our court maintenance sinking fund which currently stands at £50,000 though.)

Additional financial information

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

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

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

Yes

Current account - £6,082

n/a