



Abingdon-on-Thames Town Council

Large community grant application recipients annual budget report

As your organisation has in recent years received a regular grant from the town council, we would be grateful if you could provide information on how the grant is used. This information will be shared with the Community Committee to inform the forthcoming work on the budget for 2026-27.

Please complete the information below and return the form to andy.crick@abingdon.gov.uk by **Monday 27 October 2025**.

Please note that this information may be placed in the public domain.

Organisation details

Organisation name	ABINGDON CAROUSEL FAMILY CENTRE
Please state briefly what the purpose of your organisation with specific reference to your activities in Abingdon-on-Thames	Mainly serving the needs of families in Caldecott ward, Carousel offers recreational, care, educational and adult development services both directly to the public using paid employees and volunteers and through making the building available to community focused partner organisations. All Carousel activities are free to families although we encourage small donations where these can be afforded. Service priorities are to benefit families with children aged 0-5 years although other family and community services are also provided as long as these benefit the community as a whole.

Financial information

Organisation budget for 2025-26 (If your financial year runs for a different period, please provide details for the relevant year which accords with the grant awarded)	Financial year to 31 July 2025 Total income £81,318 Total Expenditure £78,509
Amount of grant received from Abingdon Town Council for 2025-26	£37,500

Please provide your latest annual accounts with this form.

Please outline how the grant from the town council has been allocated within your organisation's budget for the current financial year, including financial information. Please feel free to provide any relevant documents to support this report but it would be helpful if the essential information requested could be set out below to help the committee in its work.

(The box below will expand when typed into. If you are completing this form by hand, please add information on a separate sheet of paper.)

This is shown on accounts as unrestricted funds for core costs for the year.

If you would like to request a grant for 2026-27, please provide details of the amount and purpose for this.

Grant requested	£ 40,000
Purpose of grant (please outline briefly your organisation's purpose)	<p>To sustain core costs for expanded services for 2026/7</p> <p>With our new lease 5 years from 1/4/25 with OCC, taking over a greater space for sessions and an extra outside play space and a graduating rent increase, we will have increased overhead costs. We are requesting an increase on last year's grant.</p> <p>We aim to increase our number and range of room hire income for different organisations and partners which operate compatible and valuable services to the local community.</p> <p>We have recently secured a grant over 3 years from SNG (formerly Sovereign Housing) of £10,000 per year, for three years, allocated as £5,000 per year to support one weekly session and £5,000 to support our development programme to reach more users.</p>

Signed	<i>Sharron Jenkinson</i>
Date	21 October 2025
Name	Sharron Jenkinson
Position in organisation	Chair of Trustees

Income Please remember to provide your latest annual accounts with this form.