



## Abingdon-on-Thames Town Council

# Community grant application form - part A

Please ensure you complete all of this form and Part B and send the following information to [enquiries@abingdon.gov.uk](mailto:enquiries@abingdon.gov.uk):

- forms A and B, completed in full
- your organisation's last set of accounts
- the most recent bank statement for your organisation, which should match the payment information on form B

## 1. About your organisation

**Name of the organisation requesting the grant**

Thames Ridge District Network

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

Network is a section park of the scouting family. We actively engage and support young adults in their personal development, empowering them to make a positive contribution to society while experiencing fun, adventure, and new challenges.

## 2. Your grant request

Please describe the project for which the grant is needed.

The grant funding will be used to establish and strengthen our Network section by purchasing essential items such as Neckers and badges and Feather Flags to build our identity. We will also invest in a yearly subscription to Online Scout Manager (OSM) to efficiently manage member records, plan programmes, and improve communication with members and volunteers. Additionally, funds will be allocated towards essential equipment to support a wide range of Scouting activities, helping us provide engaging, safe, and skill-building experiences for all our members.

**What is the total cost of the project**

£500

**How much grant are you seeking**

£500

<b>What percentage of the total cost of your project are you seeking via this grant</b>	<b>100%</b>
<b>How do you plan to raise the rest of the money for your project</b>	<b>Any short fall will be done by fundraising and other grants.</b>
<b>Please show roughly how the costs of the project are broken down</b>	Feather Flag - £150 Outdoor Banner - £100 Badges (total for 10 Members) - £18.50 Neckers (Total for 10 Members) - £75 OSM (Per Year) - £7 We would need enough money in our account to book camps/events. Average cost per person - £100 <b>Total £443</b>
<b>What fund-raising have you undertaken for this project or others in the past 2 years</b>	<b>N/A</b>

### 3. Local benefit

<b>How many people take part in your organisation’s activities? Give local branch numbers if you are a national organisation.</b>	<b>As members</b>	<b>Around 20</b>
	<b>As recipients</b>	<b>Around 20</b>

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.

<b>Age profile</b>	<b>0-16</b>	<b>16-65</b>	<b>over 65</b>
- Members	0	20e	0
- Recipients	N/A	N/A	N/A

<b>Gender profile</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Female</b>
- Members	8e	12e
- Recipients	N/A	N/A

<b>Local connection</b>	<b>Town resident</b>	<b>Attend education in town</b>	<b>Neither resident nor attending education in town</b>
- Members	5e	10e	10e

- Recipients	N/A	N/A	N/A
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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 objective.

### 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.**

Our Network supports Abingdon Town Council’s vision by promoting an inclusive, safe and vibrant community while prioritising wellbeing. Open to all young adults, it builds confidence, resilience and life skills through volunteering, outdoor activities and teamwork. The section encourages environmental responsibility and community involvement, helping create a sustainable and welcoming town where people want to live.

### 4b. Objectives

**1. To respond effectively and speedily to the climate emergency**

**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**

Our Scout Network project supports the Town Council’s vision by promoting an inclusive community where wellbeing is prioritised. It addresses the objective of increasing social inclusivity by working with other local scout section and groups to deliver volunteering and support activities for vulnerable residents, while providing a welcoming space for young adults from all backgrounds

to build skills, confidence and a sense of belonging in Abingdon.

## 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

N/A

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

N/A

## 6. About your organisation

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

Charity

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

£770.86

### Additional financial information

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

Yes

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

**Note:** Whilst we are part of a larger organisation (Thames Ridge district Scouts Council) we only operate within our own bank account of which has £770.86 currently in. Other accounts held by our District are not accessible to us.

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

N/A

## 7. Reporting back on your grant

Organisations receiving a grant from the town council are required to provide a written report on their event or project within twelve months of the award date. The report should detail how the funds were spent and how residents of Abingdon are benefitting. The report may be included in any town council publicity, including the website or the Town Crier magazine.

**Declaration**

**I declare that the information given in this grant application, both parts A and B, is complete and accurate and that no relevant information has been omitted.**

**I agree that the organisation receiving the grant will report back to the town council within 12 months of the award of this grant on how it has been used.**

**Signature**



**Name**

Sam Hunt

**Position with organisation**

Team Lead for Thames Ridge District Network

**Date**

15<sup>th</sup> Jan 2026