Minutes of a meeting of the Grants Sub-Committee of Newbury Town Council held at 19:30 noon on Tuesday 7th July 2026 in The Council Offices, Town Hall, Newbury.

Present: Councillors: Alistair Bounds (arrived 19:34), Sam Dibas (arrived 19:45), Billy Drummond, David Marsh (chairperson) and Elizabeth O'Keeffe (substitute)

In Attendance: Toby Miles-Mallowan, Chief Executive Officer and Sophie Williams, Apprentice Finance Officer.

01. Apologies for absence

Councillors: Sarah Slack, Phil Barnett

02. Declarations of interest and dispensations

a) General Dispensations
The Council noted that Councillors Billy Drummond and David Marsh, as members of West Berkshire Council, hold a general dispensation permitting them to participate in discussions and vote on matters relating to the business of West Berkshire Council where they would otherwise have a registrable interest.

b) Declarations of Interest
The following non-pecuniary interests were declared in relation to the business on the agenda:

- **Councillor Sam Dibas** declared a personal interest as a Parish Councillor for Enborne Parish Council and as a Trustee of St Bartholomew's School.
- **Councillor Billy Drummond** declared a personal interest as a Member of The Base, Greenham, and as a Parish Councillor for Greenham Parish Council
- **Councillor David Marsh** declared a personal interest as a Trustee to Wash Common Library, Trustee to Wash Common Community Association, Parent of a pupil at St Bartholomew's School, Husband to a Governor at St Bartholomew's School and volunteer with West Berkshire Food Bank
- **Councillor Elizabeth O'Keeffe** declared a personal interest as a Volunteer Steward of The Corn Exchange (Newbury) Trust

03. Minutes

Proposed: Councillor David Marsh
Seconded: Councillor Billy Drummond
Resolved: That the minutes of the meeting of the Grants Sub-Committee held on Monday 23rd February 2026 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairperson.

04. Grants Awarded (Appendix 2)

The Committee noted the record of grants awarded since financial year 2024/25

05. Grant Aid Criteria (Appendix 3)

The meeting noted the Grant Aid Criteria.

06. Award of Grant Aid

Having regard to the Council's criteria for awarding grants and the Council's Strategic objectives to support youth, the elderly, the vulnerable and the diverse in communities.

Proposed: Councillor Billy Drummond

Seconded: Councillor Sam Dibas

Resolved: That the Council makes the following grant awards, payable through The Good Exchange:

TGE Ref	Organisation	Project title	Balance required	NTC Award	TGE Match Funding	Total Awarded
21345	Newbury Cricket Club	Newbury Cricket Club - Taking it to the next level	£14,029.00	£500.00	£500.00	£1,000.00
21471	Newbury District Swimming Club	Replacement Wave - Reduction Racing Lane Ropes.	£4,000.00	£500.00	£500.00	£1,000.00
21261	Newbury Friends of Earth	Newbury Nature Corridors 2026/27	£7,380.42	£1,000.00	£1,000.00	£2,000.00
21380	Newbury Junior Parkrun	Newbury Junior Parkrun - Community Wellbeing Fund	£4,800.00	£250.00	£250.00	£500.00
21373	The Base Greenham	GENerate 2027 - Student Exhibition Providing Young People with Opportunities to be Involved with a Professional Gallery.	£12,213.00	£300.00	£300.00	£600.00
21453	The Corn Exchange (Newbury) Trust	Panto Pay It Forward	£10,000.00	£1,000.00	£1,000.00	£2,000.00
				£3,550.00	£3,550.00	£7,100.00

07. Review of current grant aid

The Committee resolved to publicise Newbury Town Councils available budget for grants and grants awarded. As well as investigating how Newbury Town Council can encourage smaller organisations to apply for grant aid.

There being no further business the Chairperson declared the meeting closed at 20:51pm.

Chairperson: **Date:**

Grants Awarded by NTC - Grants Sub-Committee from Financial Year 2024/25

Ref	Organisation name	NTC Grant July 2024	NTC Grant Nov 2024	NTC Grant Feb 2025	NTC Grant June 2025	NTC Grant Nov 2025	NTC Grant Feb 2026	NTC Grant July 2026	NTC Grant Nov 2026	NTC Grant Feb 2027
21014	1st Newbury Scout Group					£500.00				
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20995	1st Wash Common Scout Group				£661.50					
21123	Assisting Berkshire Children to read					£500.00				
20380	2nd Newbury Guides	£500.00								
21005	3rd Newbury Scout Group				£661.50					
20389	All Yours Period Box C.I.C	£500.00								
21213	Berkshire MS Therapy Centre						£250.00			
21211	City Arts Newbury						£390.00			
20626	Dingley's Promise (Dingley Family and Specialist Early Years Centres)		£1,000.00							
20628	Dingley's Promise (Dingley Family and Specialist Early Years Centres)			£500.00						
20692	Dingley's Promise (Dingley Family and Specialist Early Years Centres)			£500.00						
21180	Dingley's Promise (Dingley Family and Specialist Early Years Centres)						£500.00			
20946	Educafe CIC						£750.00			
20752	Education Business Partnership West Berkshire			£314.30						
21190	Education Business Partnership West Berkshire						£250.00			

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20328	Eight Bells for Mental Health		£500.00							
20805	Eight Bells for Mental Health					£500.00				
20505	Fair Close Centre (Age Concern, Newbury & District)	£1,281.52								
20579	Fair Close Centre (Age Concern, Newbury & District)			£1,000.00						
20737	Falkland Cricket Club - Newbury			£250.00						
21175	Falkland Cricket Club - Newbury						£671.37			
20393	Forever Loved Horse Therapy cic		£500.00							
20522	Friends of Wash Common Library	£750.00								
20486	Greener Greenham Group	£655.50								
21236	Greenham Trust						£1,000.00			
20356	Home-Start West Berkshire	£500.00								
20371	Home-Start West Berkshire	£1,000.00								
20372	Home-Start West Berkshire	£750.00								
20698	Home-Start West Berkshire			£500.00						
20749	Home-Start West Berkshire			£500.00						
21006	Home-Start West Berkshire						£500.00			

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20978	Kintbury Tennis Club (administration address)				£688.25					
20879	Life Education Wessex & Thames Valley				£155.00					
21160	Loose Ends Newbury					£1,000.00				
20416	Newbury and District Beekeepers Association	£993.38								
20323	Newbury Choral Society	£710.00								
20800	Newbury Cricket Club			£250.00						
20568	Newbury Friends of the Earth	£1,000.00								
20480	Newbury Photography Club	£116.50								
20541	Newbury Pride	£500.00								
20759	Newbury Pride				£500.00					
20984	Newbury Riding for the Disabled Limited				£272.38					
20566	Newbury Riding for the Disabled Ltd.	£500.00								
20909	Newbury Riding for the Disabled Limited						£250.00			
20484	Newbury Rugby Football Club Ltd		£500.00							
20376	Newbury Soup Kitchen	£500.00								
20934	Newbury Soup Kitchen				£1,000.00	£500.00				

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21205	Newbury Street Pastors						£500.00			
21116	NEWT						£500.00			
20657	Newbury Weekly News		£1,000.00							
21007	Newbury Weekly News					£1,000.00				
20930	Nomads Musical Theatre				£500.00					
20456	Parkinson's UK, Newbury		£500.00							
20922	Parkinson's UK, Newbury						£500.00			
21113	Rank in File Theatre						£500.00			
20980	Sport In Mind					£500.00				
20283	St Bartholomew's School	£1,000.00								
21147	Swings & Smiles					£1,000.00				
20838	The Base Greenham				£500.00					
20983	The Base Greenham				£500.00					
20419	The Corn Exchange (Newbury) Trust				£1,000.00					
21109	The Corn Exchange (Newbury) Trust					£250.00				
20381	The Newbury Community Resource Centre Limited		£500.00							

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20648	The Newbury Community Resource Centre Limited			£1,000.00						
21027	The Newbury Community Resource Centre Limited						£750.00			
20556	Time to Talk West Berkshire		£1,000.00							
20772	Time to Talk West Berkshire				£500.00					
21139	Volunteer Centre West Berkshire					£250.00				
21169	Volunteer Centre West Berkshire						£750.00			
21013	West Berks Action for Refugees					£500.00				
20853	West Berks Foodbank				£1,000.00					
21092	West Berks Foodbank					£1,000.00				
20650	West Berkshire Mencap		£1,000.00							
21240	West Berkshire Muslim Centre						£500.00			
20240	West Berkshire Therapy Centre	£928.80								
20971	West Berkshire Therapy Centre						£500.00			
20287	Young People and Children First (YPACF)		£1,000.00							
20803	Young People and Children First (YPACF)					£500.00				
	Total Grants Allocated	£12,185.70	£7,500.00	£4,814.30	£7,938.63	£7,500.00	£9,061.37			

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				£24,500.00		Grants Allocated 2025/26	£24,500.00		Grants Allocated 2026/27	0.00
									Budget 2026/27	£25,000
									To Allocate 2026/27	25,000

Appendix 3

NEWBURY TOWN COUNCIL

CRITERIA FOR GRANT AID

Priority will be given to organisations which:

- Are based within the boundary of Newbury Town Council or which serve wholly or mainly the residents of Newbury.
- Would give benefit to the greatest number and range of Newbury town residents.
- Provide a benefit for the wider community beyond progressing the interest of its members.
- Have made an effort to raise funds themselves and are not reliant on donations to fund the total project
- Show a commitment to sustainability.
- Show a commitment to equality and diversity

In addition

- Grants will not be awarded to bodies for activities which are statutorily funded.
- Priority will be given to those organisations whose objectives meet the priorities and targets laid down in the Council's Strategy.
- Preference will be given to organisations seeking capital or one-off funding, rather than ongoing revenue support

CRITERIA FOR SHORT-LISTING

- Application to the Good Exchange is complete and all required documentation received by the deadline
- Application assessed against the above criteria.
- Short-listed applicants **MAY BE** invited to attend the scheduled Grant Sub-Committee meeting to make a short presentation and answer questions from Members of the Grant Sub-Committee.