

Community Grant Assessment November 2018

Applicant: Menheniot Sports Association
Amount applied for: £375.00
ASSESSMENT
Overview & what benefits to the community (Section B1.0, B1.5 and B1.7)
<p>(B1.0) Sustainability of the playing surface of the Flood Lit Multi Use Games Area (MUGA). (Funding is requested to carry a three-times a year maintenance programme)</p> <p>(A2.2) We have received £3600 from Sport England in March 2018 and we were awarded a grant of £1660.80 from the Parish Council in January 2018. Both grants were used to rejuvenate the playing surface of the Multi-Use-Games Area (MUGA) in Menheniot.</p> <p>(B1.5) The MUGA is accessible to all of the community. We offer a membership scheme and also pay per use scheme. The MUGA has been advertised in the local papers, shop and on social media sites etc. Children are able to access the facility free of charge. If any clubs or individuals want to use the facility they only need to contact a member of the Sports Association or ask in the Spar shop.</p>
Other funding from their own resources and alternative sources. (Section C1.1-1.3)
<p>(C1.2) The total cost of the project is £1500 per year.</p> <p>(C1.3) The Menheniot Sports association can currently contribute around £1125 per year, this is money raised by hire of the MUGA and fund raising events such as bingo & car boot sales.</p> <p>(C1.5) We are only asking for 25% of the total cost per year which equates to £375 a year to help us provide a facility to the Menheniot community for the future.</p>
Numbers benefitting (Section B1.7)
Numbers are constantly increasing now the surface has been rejuvenated. The Tennis club was almost non-existent last year with the ladies team being forced to play at Yelverton due to condition of the surface. The tennis club now has over 50 members aged from u10 to over 80. There are 2 football teams that use the MUGA weekly and numerous coaching sessions take place.
Other resources (eg volunteering) (Section C1.4)
Members of various sports clubs that use the MUGA regular give up their time, painting the facility, cutting the surrounding grass, removing any litter and leaves from the facility, ensuring it not an eye sore. Members of the MSA regular give up their own time to undertake tasks associated with the sports association (approx. 5 hours a month)
Priorities as identified by the applicant, and those of the council (Section C1.1)
None identified.
Notes
<p>The latest accounts included with the application are for the 12 months ended 31 December 2017. They show an income for that year of £3441, which is set against expenses of £3577. This means that there was a loss of £136 in that year. At the year-end, the MSA held reserves of £6787, the equivalent of almost 2 years</p> <p>However, because the accounts do not yet include the purchase of the MUGA, unable to assess what impact the cost has have had on the Association's reserves.</p> <p>NOTE Cost of the MUGA was estimated to be between £6548-£8720 in November 2017 when funding was first applied for. Funding agreed by Sport England & Parish Council was £5261. This may have led to the MSA using at least £1287 (equivalent to 19%) of its reserves.</p>
Recommend £375