



GRANT APPLICATION FORM

Please familiarise yourself with the requirements listed in Cranbrook Town Council's Grants Policy before completing this form.


For your application to be considered please ensure you provide one of the following:

- Copy of the latest set of annual accounts including profit and loss and a balance sheet, or
- Copy of bank statements for the previous six months, or
- A budgeted forecast

Any constituted organisation must also include a copy of their constitution.

Completed applications forms together with supporting evidence should be e-mailed to clerk@cranbrooktowncouncil.gov.uk.

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1	In the interest of accountability and transparency, Cranbrook Town Council considers and determines grant applications at public meetings. This means that this application form will become a public document. Please would you give your consent that this application form can be published for public consumption. Personal and contact information will be omitted.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Please note that if you do not give your consent for us to publish the information on this form, Cranbrook Town Council will unfortunately be unable to consider and determine your grant application.
2	Name and Address of Organisation	Cranbrook Arrows Netball Club
3	Contact Details of Applicant Name and Job Number Telephone Number Email Address	 Cranbrookarrows@gmail.com

4	Are you a Registered Charity?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes, registered charity number: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
5	Amount of grant requested:	£1,960
6	When is the grant funding required?	Mid-End July 2024
7	Is it a...	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> one-off funding request <input type="checkbox"/> recurring funding request
8	Total cost of the project:	£1,960
9	For what purpose or project is the grant requested?	<p>The grant is requested to fund essential items for our club, including our Club Kit Shop Gift Cards (5 X £10) for end-of-season award winners, end-of-season awards sashes (15 X £5), match suitable balls (5 X £23), C Award Umpire Courses (2 X £50), and much needed replacement netball dresses for all members which would feature the Cranbrook Town Councils Logo (36 X £45).</p> <p>These items are crucial for recognising our players' achievements over the season, enhancing match preparedness, improving umpiring skills, and fostering team identity and pride. This support will further strengthen our club's operations and morale, ensuring continued growth and excellence in our performance and community engagement. Please note that whilst we would be exceptionally grateful to have the full funding considered, we have broken down the costs above so the council can decide on what they feel is appropriate in terms of financial support.</p>
10	What are the project's aims?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Recognition and Motivation: By providing a VX3 (our kit provider) Gift Cards and end-of-season awards sashes, we aim to recognise and reward the

		<p>hard work and achievements of our players. This recognition is important for maintaining high morale, motivation, and encouraging a positive competitive spirit within the club.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Enhancing Match Preparedness: The acquisition of match suitable balls will ensure that our players have access to high-quality equipment for training and competitive matches, thereby improving their performance and readiness for competitions. - Improving Umpiring Skills: Funding two C Award Umpire Courses will allow us to develop umpires within our club. This will not only improve the standard of officiating in our matches but also provide our members with valuable skills and qualifications. - Fostering Team Identity and Pride: The purchase of netball dresses with the Cranbrook Town Council logo as sponsor will promote a strong sense of identity and unity among our Club and the Local Community. Our dresses are worn during the matches of our 4 X Club teams, who participate in the Honiton and Exeter Leagues, plus the East Devon County League, providing great exposure of the generosity and support of the CTC.
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		<p>Overall, this project aims to elevate the club's performance, enhance member satisfaction, and foster a strong, inclusive community spirit. By investing in these areas, we can ensure the continued growth and success of Cranbrook Arrows Netball Club.</p>
11	<p>Please evidence demand for this project:</p>	<p>The demand for this project is evidenced by several factors:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Membership Growth: Our club has seen significant growth, with membership doubling over the past few years. This increase reflects a strong demand for netball within our community. Additionally, we have a waiting list of prospective players eager to join, highlighting the ongoing interest and need for our club's services. 2. Competitive Participation: As we compete in county-level leagues with aspirations to move to regional levels, the need for high-quality match balls and properly trained umpires is crucial. These elements are essential for maintaining competitive standards and ensuring fair play. 3. Community Engagement: Our club's visibility and reputation have grown within the local community, with increasing participation in local events and collaborations with other organisations. We believe that a collaboration with CTC via support/sponsorship of our dresses, will help to

		<p>positively promote the council in the local area and grow the sense of community.</p> <p>4. Development Goals: Our long-term goals include establishing a junior section, reinstating 'back to netball' sessions, qualify our coaches in delivering Walking Netball sessions, and even introduce a mens and mixed team. To achieve these, we need qualified umpires and cohesive team branding to attract and retain members, to allow us to set down sturdy foundations that we can start to grow upon.</p>
12	If the total cost of the project is more than the grant, how will the residue be financed?	N/A
13	How is financial sustainability being achieved in the long term?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Membership Fees: Our members pay a monthly fee of £17.50, which covers core expenses such as court hire and coaching costs. This steady stream of income provides a reliable financial foundation for the club. - Diversified Income Streams: We actively pursue a variety of income sources, including sponsorships, donations, and fundraising events. By not relying solely on one income stream, we mitigate financial risk and enhance our financial stability.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Cost Management: We maintain a strict budget and regularly review our expenditures to ensure cost-effectiveness. - Grant Applications: We seek out grant opportunities to fund specific projects and initiatives. Successful grant applications, like the one we are currently submitting, help us to cover significant costs and reduce the financial burden on the club. - Reserves and Contingency Planning: We maintain a financial reserve to cover unexpected expenses and ensure the club can operate smoothly even in challenging times. This prudent financial management helps us remain resilient and adaptable. - Community Engagement and Support: By fostering strong relationships with our community, we enhance our support network. Engaged members and supporters are more likely to participate in fundraising efforts and contribute to and support the club.
14	<p>Have you applied for a grant for the same project to another organisation?</p> <p>Please state which organisation and how much:</p>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

15	How will the community benefit from the project?	<p>This project will bring significant benefits to the community in several ways:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Enhanced Sporting Opportunities: By providing high-quality equipment and resources, we enhance the training and playing experience for our members. This encourages greater participation in netball and promotes physical fitness and well-being within the community. 2. Recognition and Motivation: End-of-season awards and the Gift Cards and sashes for our winners, will recognise and celebrate the achievements of our players. This fosters a positive and motivating environment, encouraging members to strive for excellence and stay committed to the sport. 3. Improved Umpiring Standards: Funding the C Award Umpire Courses will result in better-trained umpires within our club. This ensures fair and high-standard officiating in matches, which is crucial for maintaining the integrity and enjoyment of the game. 4. Team Identity and Pride: New Netball Dresses will boost team spirit and community pride as we represent Cranbrook across the South West. A strong team identity fosters a sense of belonging and
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		<p>unity among players, which can have positive ripple effects on their performance and overall club morale.</p> <p>5. Inclusive Community Engagement: As we continue to grow and diversify our membership, the project supports our goal of making netball accessible to people from all backgrounds. This inclusivity strengthens community bonds and encourages a more diverse range of participants.</p> <p>6. Skill Development: The resources and training funded by this project will help our members develop valuable skills, both on and off the court. This includes leadership, teamwork, and discipline, which are beneficial beyond the realm of sports.</p> <p>7. Long-term Growth: By investing in our club's infrastructure and capacity, we are laying the groundwork for sustained growth. This ensures that future generations have access to high-quality netball experiences, contributing to the long-term vitality of our community.</p>
16	Are any of the beneficiaries non-residents of Cranbrook?	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes, approximately how many: approx. 10 members of the Club are from outside of Cranbrook. The majority are residents.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> No</p>

17	Applicants are asked to familiarise themselves with the Council's grants policy and please tick the box on the right to confirm that you understand and agree with them.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> I/We agree with the terms and conditions of the Council's grants policy, especially in relation to crediting the Council in any publicity and providing feedback on the success of the grant within six months.
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By signing this form, the applicant(s) agree with all the provisions detailed in the Town Council's grants policy, specifically regarding ownership of asset(s) and the requirement to repay funds where these have not been used in accordance with the grant application.

Signed..... Date.....03/07/2024....