NHB Community Grants Scheme 2015/6

Scoring Matrix – Grants £4,999 and under

SUMMARY of Panel comments & Scores from Individual Matrix Forms

PROJECT NAME:	The installation of 5 steel benches
Organisation:	Cofton Hackett Parish Council
Amount of Funding Requested:	£4,999
Aim of Project:	To provide seating throughout the parish due to the increased number of residents walking in the area.
Location of Project:	Various locations in the parish.

GRANT TO BE RECOMMENDED (If no reasons why not)	YES
AMOUNT OF GRANT TO BE RECOMMENDED	£2,000
The Panel agreed to recommend the funding for 2 benches with the proviso that the Parish Council committed to fund the other 3 over the next 3 years and to cover the cost of on-going maintenance.	

Category	Comments from Panel	Points /30
1. Evidence that growth has occurred in the area?	Yes Details provided on the form. Verbal details provided.	16
2. Which Council Strategic Purpose does it meet?	None given on form, but verbally provided. Provide good things for me to do see and visit.	6
3. Aims and objectives of the project?	Verbal Comply with health & safety Needs of wider community	12

4. Evidence Project meets local need and has local support?	Some colloquial evidence Photo evidence of damaged benches	14
5. Evidence that the Project is sustainable and has other funding streams?	None Clarity as to who will maintain Cost to cover installation	14
Total Score out of 150		62

PROJECT NAME:	Chairs
Organisation:	Cofton
Amount of Funding Requested:	£4,800
Aim of Project:	To provide setting in the Village Hall
Location of Project:	Cofton Village Hall

GRANT TO BE RECOMMENDED (If no reasons why not)	YES
AMOUNT OF GRANT TO BE RECOMMENDED	£2,000
Following discussion the Panel were happy to recommend a contribution of this amount towards a number of Chairs for the Village Hall, with the suggestion that the Parish Council also be approached with a view to funding from balances.	

Ca	itegory	Comments from Panel	Points /30
1.	Evidence that growth has occurred in the area?	None 700 planned 200 already Village has doubled?	13
2.	Which Council Strategic Purpose does it meet?	Good things to do see and visit Keep my place safe and looking good None on form Verbally	8
3.	Aims and objectives of the project?	Chairs currently old Verbally info provided	13
4.	Evidence Project meets local need and has local support?	Hall well used No Chairs are 35 years old	13

5. Evidence that the Project is sustainable and has other funding streams?	No other funding Buy as and when funds are available No exploration of other funding	9
Total Score out of 150		56

PROJECT NAME:	New Planters
Organisation:	Cofton Hackett Parish Council
Amount of Funding Requested:	£4,800
Aim of Project:	To provide 4 new planters (and plants) in and around the estate
Location of Project:	In and around the estate

GRANT TO BE RECOMMENDED (If no reasons why not)	YES
AMOUNT OF GRANT TO BE RECOMMENDED	£1,100
The Panel agree to recommend the funding of 2 planters with the proviso that the flowers be provided by the Parish Council or from the Ward Members Fund and maintained by the Parish Council to a satisfactory standard.	

Category	Comments from Panel	Points /30
 Evidence that growth has occurred in the area? 	None on application 200 already occupied	14
2. Which Council Strategic Purpose does it meet?	Provide good things to do see and visit	10
3. Aims and objectives of the project?	Look good	15
4. Evidence Project meets local need and has local support?	Not as such Anecdotal	11

5. Evidence that the Project is sustainable and has other funding streams?	Parish Council to sustain Limited funding available	14
Total Score out of 150		64

PROJECT NAME:	New Junior Cricket Ground
Organisation:	Bromsgrove Cricket, Hockey and Tennis Club
Amount of Funding Requested:	£1,500
Aim of Project:	To allow players from additional age groups 9- 14 years to play additional mid week and weekends without impacting on senior members.
Location of Project:	Land adjacent to existing site

GRANT TO BE RECOMMENDED (If no reasons why not)	YES	
AMOUNT OF GRANT TO BE RECOMMENDED	£1,500	
The Panel were happy to recommend the funding of the full amount of this application.		

Ca	tegory	Comments from Panel	Points /30
1.	Evidence that growth has occurred in the area?	Yes No one in attendance at the meeting to respond to questions.	19
2.	Which Council Strategic Purpose does it meet?	Provide good things to do see and visit	20
3.	Aims and objectives of the project?	Detailed written application	18
4.	Evidence Project meets local need and has local support?	Detailed written application	18

5. Evidence that the Project is sustainable and has other funding streams?	Not asking for whole funding	17
Total Score out of 150		92

PROJECT NAME:	Replacement Bus Shelter
Organisation:	Catshill & North Marlbrook Parish Council
Amount of Funding Requested:	£4,900
Aim of Project:	To provide smart more modern bus shelters for waiting passengers and to encourage use of public transport and to improve the perception of the surrounding area.
Location of Project:	Adjacent to MuiMui Takeaway on A38

GRANT TO BE RECOMMENDED (If no reasons why not)	YES
AMOUNT OF GRANT TO BE RECOMMENDED	£3,500
Following discussion, the Panel agreed to recommend the funding of this project, however it was believed that the provision of a bus shelter through Bromsgrove District Council would be more cost effective estimated at £3,500 and the recommendation is based on the Council providing and installing the bus shelter.	

Category	Comments from Panel	Points /30
1. Evidence that growth has occurred in the area?	Yes	17
2. Which Council Strategic Purpose does it meet?	Keep my place safe and looking good	19
3. Aims and objectives of the project?	Encourage the public to use public transport	16
4. Evidence Project meets local need and has local support?	Self evident Photos provided with application	16

5. Evidence that the Project is sustainable and has other funding streams?	Query costs 4 shelters in total would take 8 years for Parish to fund.	14
Total Score out of 150		82

PROJECT NAME:	Improvements/Replacement to Scout Hut
Organisation:	6 th Bromsgrove Scout Group Catshill
Amount of Funding Requested:	£4,500
Aim of Project:	Improvements/repairs to Scout Hut and store room and replace/acquire a substantial amount of equipment due to increased membership of group,
Location of Project:	Lingfield Walk

GRANT TO BE RECOMMENDED (If no reasons why not)	YES
AMOUNT OF GRANT TO BE RECOMMENDED	£3,000
The Panel agreed to recommend that the improvements/repairs to the Scout Hut be funded through the NHB Grants Scheme together with a contribution towards the equipment.	

Category	Comments from Panel	Points /30
1. Evidence that growth has occurred in the area?	Yes	18
2. Which Council Strategic Purpose does it meet?	Provide good things for me to do see and visit	18
Aims and objectives of the project?	As per application	15
4. Evidence Project meets local need and has local support?	Membership increasing	14

5. Evidence that the Project is sustainable and has other funding streams?	Fund raising committee set up to continue to raise funds	13
Total Score out of 150		78

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PROJECT NAME:	Catshill Village Meadow Multi Use Facility
Organisation:	North West Ward Association
Amount of Funding Requested:	£2,560
Aim of Project:	In order for the building to be used to its full potential to support the community users (including football teams and parish council) further equipment needs to be installed/purchased.
Location of Project:	Catshill

GRANT TO BE RECOMMENDED (If no reasons why not)	YES	
AMOUNT OF GRANT TO BE RECOMMENDED	£2,560	
The Panel were happy to recommend the full funding for this project as the Group had already raised a substantial amount of funding themselves for the new building.		

Category	Comments from Panel	Points /30
 Evidence that growth has occurred in the area? 	The Marshes development No one in attendance at the meeting to respond to questions.	12
2. Which Council Strategic Purpose does it meet?	Provide good things to do see and visit	17
3. Aims and objectives of the project?	As per application form	7
4. Evidence Project meets local need and has local support?	Detailed application	10

5. Evidence that the Project is sustainable and has other funding streams?	Balances of £20,000 all committed.	11
Total Score out of 150		57

PROJECT NAME:	Funding to open further units
Organisation:	Walton District Guides
Amount of Funding Requested:	£4,999
Aim of Project:	Sufficient funds to open further units and provide equipment to cover the increased number of girls attending.
Location of Project:	None stated

GRANT TO BE RECOMMENDED (If no reasons why not)	NO	
AMOUNT OF GRANT TO BE RECOMMENDED	£nil	
The Panel felt that this application was aimed at the general running costs of the Guides group and therefore did not meet all the criteria detailed within the Scheme and did not therefore score sufficient points to be awarded a grant from the Scheme.		

Category	Comments from Panel	Points /30
 Evidence that growth has occurred in the area? 	No one in attendance at the meeting to respond to questions.	8
2. Which Council Strategic Purpose does it meet?	Not provided	6
3. Aims and objectives of the project?	Increased membership should generate increased income.	6
4. Evidence Project meets local need and has local support?		6

5. Evidence that the Project is sustainable and has other funding streams?	Not sustainable	5
Total Score out of 150		23

PROJECT NAME:	Upgrade of toilet block/kitchen facilities
Organisation:	Belbroughton Recreation Centre
Amount of Funding Requested:	£4,999
Aim of Project:	Upgrade toilet block and kitchen facilities to benefit residents who use the facilities, including junior football, keep fit classes and annual events such as the Scarecrow Weekend.
Location of Project:	Blebroughton

GRANT TO BE RECOMMENDED (If no reasons why not)	YES	
AMOUNT OF GRANT TO BE RECOMMENDED	£2,500	
The Panel were happy to recommend a contribution of £2,500 towards this project with the proviso that they also applied for funding through the Parish Council and Worcestershire County Council.		

Category	Comments from Panel	Points /30
1. Evidence that growth has occurred in the area?	-	16
2. Which Council Strategic Purpose does it meet?	-	14
3. Aims and objectives of the project?	-	15
4. Evidence Project meets local need and has local support?	-	6

5. Evidence that the Project is sustainable and has other funding streams?	-	10
Total Score out of 150		61

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PROJECT NAME:	Hopwood Community Centre Improvements
Organisation:	Alvechurch Parish Council
Amount of Funding Requested:	£2,500
Aim of Project:	Enhanced facilities of those with disabilities, improved security and safety facilities and post improvement internal decoration.
Location of Project:	Hopwood Village

GRANT TO BE RECOMMENDED (If no reasons why not)	NO	
AMOUNT OF GRANT TO BE RECOMMENDED	£Nil	
The Panel agreed that this application was in respect of enhancement to the facilities which should be carried out as a matter of course, as owners of the building. This was not the aim of the scheme. It was also noted that the Parish Council had significant balances within their accounts.		

Categor	У	Comments from Panel	Points /30
	ence that growth has rred in the area?	-	17
	h Council Strategic ose does it meet?	Provide good things to see do and visit. Help me to live independently	16
3. Aims proje	and objectives of the ct?	Owned by PC disabled facilities should be done as a matter of course.	7
	ence Project meets local and has local support?	Anecdotal info for hearing loop.	9

5. Evidence that the Project is sustainable and has other funding streams?	Security work has already been done. Significant balances. Parish building.	5
Total Score out of 150		54

PROJECT NAME:	Artificial Wicket
Organisation:	Belbroughton Cricket Club
Amount of Funding Requested:	£4,700
Aim of Project:	By installing a new artificial practice wicket it will create sufficient space to address the increased number of people wishing to participate in the sport.
Location of Project:	Belbroughton

GRANT TO BE RECOMMENDED (If no reasons why not)	YES
AMOUNT OF GRANT TO BE RECOMMENDED	£2,500
The Panel were happy to recommend a contribution towards the funding of this project as the Group had secured funding from other sources. It was suggested that the shortfall be met from balances or the Parish Council be approached to make a contribution as it was understand that they had significant funds within balances available.	

Category	Comments from Panel	Points /30
1. Evidence that growth has occurred in the area?	Yes	13
2. Which Council Strategic Purpose does it meet?	Provide good things to do see and visit Youth work	12
3. Aims and objectives of the project?	-	10

4. Evidence Project meets local need and has local support?	Weekend Teams Youth Teams Need to upgrade to be sustainable.	14
 Evidence that the Project is sustainable and has other funding streams? 	Other funding England and Wales Cricket Board Clent Parish Council	11
Total Score out of 150		60