

CONGLETON TOWN COUNCIL

COMMITTEE REPORTS AND UPDATES

COMMITTEE:	Finance and Policy		
MEETING DATE AND TIME	25th September 2025 7.00 pm	LOCATION	Congleton Town Hall
REPORT FROM	Serena Van Schepdael - Finance Manager/RFO		
AGENDA ITEM REPORT TITLE	11 Grants Applications Cover Report		
Background	The new Grants Policy Criteria can be found here: CONGLETON TOWN COUNCIL - GRANTS & FUNDING POLICY (congleton-tc.gov.uk)		
Update	<p>The current available balance for Permitted Financial Assistance applications is £11,735**. This is the second of 5 meetings this year. The total applied for at this meeting is £6,086, when the maximum amount we award is considered, the total is £3,550.</p> <p>**To note, Grant Ref GR08-2526, Congleton Pride were awarded £600 towards their Circus Skill and Arts on the Bridge Day, one of the Acts did not go ahead, and they will not be claiming that part of the award. Therefore, the £350 allocated for that has been returned to the grant fund.</p>		
Details	<p><u>11.1- The Green Tree House</u> They have applied for a grant of £3,000 towards a £32,400 project titled TGTH Food Club, which will cover six food pallets. The applicant has been advised by email that our maximum grant is £1,000.</p> <p>Previous grant awards for food pallets were awarded in 2022-23 £750, 2023-24, £1000. Feedback has been completed for both of these grants. Accounts have been provided for this grant application, and can be seen here: GREEN TREE HOUSE - 1157178 (https://register-of-charities.charitycommission.gov.uk/en/charity-search/-/charity-details/5047694/charity-overview?uk_gov_ccew_onereg_charitydetails_web_portlet_CharityDetailsPortlet_organisationNumber=5047694)</p> <p><u>11.2- Congleton Talking Newspaper</u> They have applied for a grant of £1,000 towards a project total cost of £3,500. The project is to update the recording studio to meet current safety regulations. No grants in the last 3 financial years.</p>		

	<p><u>11.3- Electric Picture House Artists Co-operative</u></p> <p>They have applied for a grant of £550 to cover materials and artist costs; the total project cost is £1100. A question has been raised as to what the extra amount requested is to cover. No grant wards in the past 2 years.</p> <p><u>11.4- No Tier Snooker</u></p> <p>They have applied for a grant of £1,536 towards a total project cost of £4500. The grant would be to contribute to hiring fees for the snooker support group for the yearly sessions. They have been advised by email that the maximum grant award amount is £1,000.</p>
Decision Request	To discuss and approve grant awards.