



## NORTH HERTFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

## GRANT APPROVAL FORM

1. Committee: **Southern Rural Area Committee**2. Date: **3<sup>rd</sup> Dec 2015**3. Summary of application: **Support funding to stage a 1 day folk festival on 9<sup>th</sup> July 2016**Name of organisation: **Kimpton Folk Festival**Sum requested: **£2,500**Total project cost: **£14,250**

Brief details:

The event committee is seeking funding for a 1 day festival to be held on 9<sup>th</sup> July 2016 on the Recreation Ground Kimpton, and in the nearby Dacre Rooms.

The Festival will run from 1pm to 10pm, and will feature performances by local folk groups as well as by well-known folk musicians; there will also be music workshops aimed at introducing youngsters to folk music. The festival will also feature locally-made crafts and other produce.

The Festival will:

- provide a stage for local musicians to showcase their talents
- generate increased appreciation and awareness of folk music, local crafts and the community among families and youngsters in the local region
- generate an awareness of Kimpton as a local centre of folk music
- stimulate links between Kimpton Folk Club and neighbouring folk clubs
- encourage youngsters to develop an interest in folk music

The organising committee are a group of volunteers called Kimpton Folk Events. The group's regular activity is to meet for evenings of Folk Music at the Kimpton Folk Club (The Boot Public House in Kimpton) on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays of the month.

Matched / linked funding: **£2,500**Funders: **Kimpton Parish Council**Matched /linked funding: **£1,000**Funder: **Kimpton May Festival Committee**

Comments from Development Officer:

The festival committee was formed in April of this year with a view to organising the first ever Kimpton Folk Festival in July 2016. The committee has adopted a standard Charity Commission constitution for a Foundation Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) and they are currently preparing a Registration submission to the Charity Commission to be registered as a Foundation CIO. As a result, eight committee members would then be appointed as Trustees of the Charity.

The committee has estimated that a sum of approximately £20,000 needs to be raise over the next 6 months in order to undertake preparatory work and help deliver the whole festival next summer. The community Manager is to assist the committee in seeking external funding from other sources, namely Awards for All and Luton Airport Community Fund.

The committee is therefore asking Members' of the Committee to consider a grant contribution from the Committee's main budget in the region of £2,500 to help towards the overall costs required.

The Community Development Officer has examined this application against the Authority's Area Grants Policy, the organisation's accounts and grant history, and considers it an eligible application.

Amount recommended: **£1,500**

4. Comments from Ward Members:

I support / do not support this application

Name: .....

Signed:

Date:

I support / do not support this application

Name: .....

Signed:

Date

