

Appendix 2 – Creative Royston

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| Version | Issue Date | Changes |
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| 1.0 | | First Draft (BE) |

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| Reference | 5113 | | | |
| Name of Organisation | Creative Royston | | | |
| Organisation Type | CIO | | | |
| Ward | Royston | | | |
| Project Type | Free fun, educational performance/workshop at Royston Arts Festival. | | | |
| Green option considered? | The performance is around education on environmental issues | | | |
| NHC Councillor involvement that may constitute a conflict of interest | None known | | | |
| Previous financial support within six years | None | | | |
| Documentation reviewed and approved* | Safeguarding | No – awaiting robust safeguarding policy | Accounts | Yes |
| | Demonstrates clear governance | Yes | | |
| Total applied for | £1,000 | Total project cost | £2,000 | |
| Officer Summary | | | | |
| <p>Funding is requested for a performance of The Weather Machine at Royston Arts Festival. The show was created by Hertfordshire-based Kate Flatt OBE, a renowned choreographer and movement director with significant projects in her portfolio which could bring media interest to Royston.</p> <p>The Weather Machine is an entertaining, playful and interactive dance performance on the themes of weather and the seasons – which fits with the theme of the festival (Force of Nature). The Weather Mechanicals are quirky, retro, Laurel and Hardy-style characters, performed by two dancers, who with humour, physicality and gentle messaging invite audiences to observe them as they grapple to stay in control of the fantabulous Weather Machine. The Weather Machine - a metaphor for Climate emergency - engages children and their families in an exchange with a matter that might otherwise appear worrying through playful expression and gentle interaction.</p> <p>Each performance lasts 20-25 minutes. Workshops are offered alongside the production (lasting 30 minutes) so there will be at total of three performances or workshops on the day.</p> <p>The cost of each show is £2,000 but Arts Council England are supporting this tour and the cost has therefore been subsidised by 50%.</p> <p>Royston Arts Festival, taking place on 30 September in Priory Gardens, is one of only a few major events in the town each year. The community event is well attended and entry and entertainments are all free of charge. Resident families benefit from the activities provided and businesses benefit from the numbers drawn into the town.</p> | | | | |

*Funding will only be released on receipt and approval of all supporting documentation