

Commemoration Projects Funding	8th May 2018
To: The Leisure & Development Committee For Information	

Linkage to Council Strategy (2015-19)	
Strategic Theme	Resilient, healthy & engaged communities
Outcome	Promote stable and cohesive communities
Lead Officer	Funding Unit Manager
Cost: (If applicable)	N/A

The purpose of this report is to inform Elected Members on the provision of grant awards to projects requesting grant-aid towards for commemorative events in the 2018-19 period.

Background

Every year Council agree the annual programme of grants for the incoming year.

In September 2017 the Funding Unit Manager presented 17 Grant Programmes to Council for the 2018-19 period. Council agreed 16 of the 17 programmes, requesting more information on the parameters of a Commemoration Fund.

Summary

Council has in place a Cultural, Arts and Heritage Programme, any commemorative projects seeking grant-aid in the 2018-19 grant period can apply to this fund.

The Culture, Arts & Heritage Grant Scheme has been designed to best support, promote and develop cultural, arts and heritage events, projects and activities. It has been devised to support local community and voluntary groups to promote and develop projects which broaden cultural access throughout the council area.

Organisations applying to the Culture, Arts and Heritage Grant Scheme have to demonstrate how their organisation contributes to any one of the following Culture, Arts and Heritage Aims identified in the Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council's Culture, Arts and Heritage Strategy 2016-2021. The assessment criteria can be found at **Annex A**.

- **Enhancing Our Cultural Venues and Assets** – To use our landscape and our cultural assets and activities to enable opportunities for both local people and visitors to participate in Culture, Arts and Heritage in the area.
- **Investing in Creative Learning and Skills Development** –To support the creative development our young people and our creative practitioners through training, skills development and providing opportunities to showcase work.
- **History, Heritage and Cultural Tourism** – To promote a sense of pride, identity and deeper understanding of our area by bringing together the many stories, histories, identities and languages which are present in the area.

Grants are available for up to 100% of the total project costs to a maximum of £1,000.00.

The Culture, Arts and Heritage Grants Programme is a rolling fund and remains open throughout the year or until the fund has been expended.

Assessment and scoring for Cultural, Arts and Heritage Grants Programme

Criteria	Score (0-5)	Weighting	Possible Score
Clear and concise evidence of a developed project with a Culture, Arts and Heritage ethos		X 2	10
Clear and realistic objectives set for the project		X 1	5
A clear understanding of how the project objectives link to the Culture, Arts and Heritage aims and can help work towards these.		X 3	15
Extent of ability, skills and experience of the group which enables them to deliver the project		X 1	5
A clear understanding of how the project will address specific Culture Arts and Heritage needs in your area and how you know this.		X 1	5
Detailed explanation of planned promotion of project		X 1	5
Monitoring and Evaluation		X 1	5
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Applications must score 65% in order to be considered for funding.