



**Nantwich Town Council
Report to Finance Committee – 10 March 2022**

COMMUNITY GRANT APPLICATIONS/DONATIONS

Community grants

The Town Council offers 3 types of grant through the Community Grant scheme:-

- a. Capital grants – awarded from capital reserves.
- b. Awards above £500 – awarded in October each year for payment in the following April from revenue funds – the deadline for applications is 1 October.
- c. Awards below £500 – awarded throughout the year from the grant contingency budget.

The following application for an award above £500 have been received:

Applicant	Project	Total cost (£)	Grant Requested (£)	Notes
Nantwich Jazz Festival	Annual Music Festival	£45,000	£3,000	To cover the cost associated with the live entertainment on the Square with a stage of performances over 3 days. There is currently a £7,000 budget available but £5,000 is required to cover costs for the Jazz festival activities at the Civic Hall
Nantwich Show Festival	Annual Nantwich Show	£120,000	£12,000	In 2019 the Town Council sponsored the Cheese Marquee with funding of £12,000. As the Cheese Festival has now relocated the Town Council removed the budget allowance for future years.
Total		£165,000	£15,000	

Within the current grants policy applications of over £500 should be made before the budget setting process in October of each year. There is currently a budget for the Jazz Festival, so the Town Council has already made provision for this grant. However, there is currently no provision for the Nantwich Show following the removal of the funding when the Cheese Festival relocated. Whilst the grant policy stipulates large grant applications should be made by October, given the uncertainty of Covid for organisations delivering events Council may wish to take this into consideration with the late grant application.