Bishops Lydeard and Cothelstone Parish Council

Application Form for Project Funding

Name of Group / Organisation: Bishops Lydeard Players
Name and position of main contact and correspondence address: Committee member Alan Ball 13 Darby Way Bishops Lydeard Ta43BB
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What are the main activities of your Group / Organisation? Performing plays, pantomimes and other productions.
Describe the project for which funding is required *(include how the project complies with CIL expenditure (the provision of infrastructure)(full guidance available in policy / procedure available here); the projected time scale and who will benefit from the project; please attach action plans, estimates or supporting information which you may have)* *The lighting for the stage at the Village Hall belongs to the Bishops Lydeard Players. They are halogen lights and, apart from using a lot of electricity, they produce a lot of heat, and only produce white light. The project is to replace the halogen lights with L.E.D lighting and controls. The project complies with C.I.L policy as it is for infrastructure.* *The Players have a thriving adult and youth group, both of which meet weekly and twice weekly leading to a performance. We cater for all ages, and abilities, from the ages of 9 to 90.* *We attract an audience of approx.120 for our plays and approx. 300 for our pantomimes. The project to replace the lighting will result in a reduction in energy used and a better experience for our cast as well as our audiences. Our productions involve not only the cast but other residents of the village who help with scenery, props, costumes, front of house and advertising, With so many involved in productions, plus our audience, we are fostering community cohesion.* *We are hoping to have the work carried out to replace the lights in August when the hall is not so heavily used.*

Describe how you have consulted with local people and the support you have for the project *(attach any evidence available)*

We have spoken with our cast members and many of our audience regarding the project and have received very positive feedback.
We have also discussed the project with a number of village residents who, again, are very supportive.
We do not have any written evidence of this, but we are certain that there would be wide village support for this project.

Project Cost. Please set out details of competitive quotations sought for the work. For projects under £1,000 one quotation should be sufficient. For projects between £1,000 and £5,000 two quotations would be a minimum. For projects over £5,000 a minimum of 3 quotations would be expected.

We have struggled to obtain quotes but have managed to get two, which took a year to obtain.
Our total project cost is £16000 which will provide new lighting and controls.
Both companies quoting have been informed that the above figure is the total cost we can manage, including V.A.T.
One company quoting came in with a figure of just over £16000 and the other just under.

Please show in the table the amount of CIL funding being sought and any other match funding being used to meet overall project costs

	Amount	Details
CIL funding sought	£5000	
Organisation's own funding	£4000	
Third party contributions	£7000	Awards For All
Total cost	£16000	

Is support being sought from anywhere else / what fundraising have you done?

We have included £4000 for our own contribution, however, £2000 of that will be sought from Fiveways Magazine.
The Awards for All grant application has been submitted but it is likely to be up to 16 weeks before we know if we are successful.

Declaration

The information provided on this application form is correct, to the best of my knowledge. If Bishops Lydeard and Cothelstone Parish Council agrees to release funds for the specified project, these funds will be used exclusively for the purposes described. When requested, I agree to inform the Council with all necessary information required for the purposes of reporting on the progress or otherwise of the identified project. I recognise the Council's statutory rights that it may reclaim unspent or misappropriated funds.

Signed

Name Alan Ball

Position in Group / Organisation Committee Member

Date 15th March 2024

Thank you for completing this form. As mentioned throughout the application form, please include any relevant evidence with your application to support it – this could include:

- Evidence of need for your project
- Quotes for project costs
- Details of offers / grants from any other funders / organisations
- Specifications and drawing
- Evidence of support for your projects from local people and organisations

Completed applications must be submitted to the Parish Clerk: Mrs A Shepherd, Rose Cottage, Oldway Lane, Wrantage, Taunton, TA3 6DE. clerk@bishopslydeard.org