

John Ross Community Trust Fund: Apply here for slice of funding

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POT BLACK: Gill Ross presents a £500 cheque for the Grimsby Shalom Youth Project, to John Ellis, manager, and Leah Clarke, 10, youth club member.



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COMMUNITY groups, organisations and societies are being encouraged to come forward to apply for funding.

The John Ross MBE Community Trust Fund, which has handed out more than £50,000 to scores of worthy causes across North East Lincolnshire, is appealing for more groups to come forward for the next round of funding.

The trust, set up in 2011, followed the death of the fishing industry figure John Ross MBE.

It has helped many small community groups to buy new equipment, improve facilities or simply stay afloat, and was set up by John Ross' son David Ross.



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One group that benefited from the last round of funding was the Pilgrims Angling Club, in Immingham.

Fishing coach Karen Hagyard successfully applied for the grant last year.

The club was awarded £500, which paid for new equipment, including fishing poles.

Karen said: "Before we received the grant most of our equipment had been donated to us and it was secondhand.

"The grant meant we were able to spend more money on improving our facilities.

"We have been able to convert a portacabin into a classroom, which can be used in the winter months."

The club has around 20 young members.

Karen added: "It was a great feeling when we found out that we had got the money."

Another group that benefited is the Fresh Start Community Meals And Care Service.

Based at the St Hughs Centre, in Haycroft Street, Grimsby, the group offers hot fresh-cooked meals delivered to vulnerable residents of the West Marsh, Park, Yarborough, and Freshney wards.

The group was awarded £685, which paid for new uniforms.

Sandra Mason, community meals service manager, said: "We couldn't have done this without the John Ross fund."

"We were elated when we found out we had been successful in our application.

"It has really helped us push forwards because we are a voluntary group trying to reach more and more people."

A spokesperson for the trust fund said: "The John Ross MBE Community Trust Fund continues to support worthwhile community projects right across North East Lincolnshire.

"The local committee is delighted that it is able to help such a huge variety of campaigns and causes, all of which benefit the people here.

"From youth sporting groups, to those supporting families, the vulnerable and the elderly – there have been so many groups helped, many of which have also received well-deserved publicity as well. The late John Ross MBE would have been proud of what has been achieved and his family is certainly proud that his memory lives on in this way."

Simply complete the attached form and send it by the stated deadline to apply.

John Ross MBE Community Trust Fund

Grant Application Form for the John Ross MBE Community Trust Fund

Name of Organisation *

Contact Name *

First Last

Address *

Street Address

Address Line 2

City

State / Province / Region

Postal / Zip Code

Country

Phone Number *

Registered Charity Number (if applicable) *

Amount of grant money applied for (minimum £250, maximum £1000) *

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Statement *

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