Grant Evaluation

- **The Parish Council likes to hear how community groups have used the money awarded to them**
- **As the money awarded is public money, we also need to make sure that the money has been spent appropriately and as agreed**

Name of Organisation	Hepworth Hurricanes Netball club
Amount of award	**£** 1500
Purpose for which the grant was awarded (Maximum 20 words)	Development of the Walking netball section of the club by supporting the costs of larger court hire, equipment, training &kit

The Story of Your Project

- ***Tell us what you did with the money awarded to you (Maximum 500 words)***
- ***Attach a few photos***

Funding awarded enabled us to move the session to the larger sports hall this enabled all our ladies to fully understand the dynamics of the games e.g. positional play, areas allowed for AENA rules. It has also enhanced the safety of the group as the previous gym space was too small for the numbers attending and the surface in the sports hall is more conducive to playing and has given the participants more confidence when moving around the space.

The court lines greatly enhanced everyone's understanding and we were able to use the funding to contribute to the increased costs of this facility without increasing weekly costs for participants.

Funding also enabled the group to purchase equipment such as balls and bibs all essential for the progression of this group. This was evident when we entered 2 teams in the summer Worksop tournament in aid of RNIB.20 of our ladies took to the court in our new kit and bibs and the newfound confidence of playing in a sports hall resulted in a great day of physical participation and enjoyment whilst raising money for a worthy cause.

2 more of our members are now fully qualified hosts and 2 more have registered for the training to take place in the Autumn term.



The Story of Your Project contd.
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What you achieved	
What were the benefits of your project? **(Maximum 500 words)**	A greater sense of achievement by all players we now have the ability to play on a proper court and not confined to a small gym area. Our ladies have grown in confidence both in the weekly sessions and also when we have played in matches and tournaments against other Walking netball teams. The Walking netball training has played a large part in bringing lots of ideas to our sessions The benefits are not only physical as the sessions have provided a safe space for women and in particular those who have found themselves alone, therefore tackling social isolation and loneliness. We also have a number of other activities such as walking and Pickleball that have evolved from this group providing more opportunities for involvement, fun and friendship thus supporting both physical and mental health.

Who benefited from the project? **(Maximum 200 words)**	We have 30+members and all have greatly benefitted from the funding provided. Sessions are led with a clear outcome and the WN host training has been supportive in this and also with linking with other clubs across the region expanding the community and cohesiveness of Walking netball. 

How many people benefited? **(Maximum 200 words)**	This is 30 as a total group however this has had a ripple effect and has encouraged new members to come and step out of their comfort zone and get involved Some of our members are now involved at committee level of the wider club and some are actively supporting the junior teams in the club. 

Was the project inclusive? **How were marginalised groups (elderly, disabled, young people etc) able to participate?**	This project has been totally inclusive and has provided the opportunity for older members (up to 72 years of age) to participate improving their physical and mental health. All members were asked if they would like to undertake training, Host, First Aid, Safeguarding. The larger space has given our participants more confidence as there is less risk of bumping into each other or slips/falls and other hazards that can be therein a small gym area. 

Reflecting on climate change, did the project address any aspects of the climate emergency? How?	All aspects of change were advertised through our media platforms and at events such as the community day at The Civi reducing the paper trail. Our weekly communications are done electronically. Purchase of new equipment has been secured to support recycling as much as possible Our ladies have car shared to attend matches in Sheffield, York Worksop and to attend the Host training.

Did you achieve what you were trying to do? **(Maximum 200 words)**	Absolutely! We are very grateful for the support received from HVPC which has enabled our sessions to grow and continue to develop. It has helped so many to reconnect to an active outcome and enabled so many new friendships and the building of confidence and self esteem Moving forward we now feel we are in a stronger position to encourage increased participation thus increasing further the number of participants benefitting from this activity. 

Finance and Expenditure

We ask groups to retain their receipts and invoices, and to keep a record o what they've spent for auditing purposes

Grant awarde	£ 1500

Date	Description of expenditure (use another sheet if necessary)	Amount
Feb2026-ongoing	Court costs£42/ £50 per session	£ 900
March / April2026	Equipment. Balls, bag and bibs	£ 180
April 2026	Host training 2 completed (2 registered for Autumn training)	£ 280
March 2026	Team kit	£ 140
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	Total expenditur	£ 1500
	Amount of grant remaining (if any	£

Any amount of the award unspent may have to be returned to the Parish Council

Person completing this form	[redacted]	Date	20/10/26
Position in organisation	Walking Netball Host		

Send the completed application form, together with all supporting documentation,

preferably in PDF format to: deputyclerk@holmevalleyparishcouncil.gov.uk

Alternatively, you can send the paperwork to: Holme Valley Parish Council, The Civic, Huddersfield Road, Holmfirth, HD9 3AS.

Have you considered inviting a Member of the Parish Council to come and see your project and how your grant money has been spent? Why not give the Parish Council a ring and arrange a visit 01484 687460?