

Name of Organisation Asington RVS Social Centre	Contact Name [REDACTED]
	Position Co-ordinator/Treasurer
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Please tick to show you have read and understood the Data Protection Statement in the attached guidelines (✓)	
What is the status of your organisation? (Please tick) Registered Charity () Voluntary Organisation () Community Group (✓) Tenants' Association () Other, please specify	
If applying for the first time, please give a brief description of your group/organisation: We are a day centre for the elderly and disabled. Operating from Etal House in Ashington on a weekly basis providing activities, entertainment, refreshments and a two course hot lunch for our clients. We also like to take them on outings but can only do this with the help of donations.	
Please include the following with your application: <ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Your constitution or governing document, or written aims and objectives.✓ Up-to-date financial information, including latest accounts and bank statement.✓ A set a basic core policies or statements:<ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Health & Safety✓ Equality and Diversity✓ Safeguarding✓ Data Protection and GDPR	

station lounge provides our lunches, whatbus for transport and we tend to go to local eateries such as the cherry tree, lakeside etc. Once a year we have our normal day centre at the Maritime Centre for a change of scenery. We have refreshments and a light lunch and the clients can look out to sea which really perks them up. Once again though it costs us quite a bit as we need to provide transport. We need a wheelchair accessible vehicle and this costs us from £100 or more depending on where we go. The in-house entertainment costs £70 per singer. On these occasions some of the Etal House residents join us.

**Amount of small grant
requested (up to £500)**

£ 300

Small Grants can be awarded towards specific projects, 'start-up' costs or maintenance/running costs (see Small Grant Guidelines) and must be spent in the financial year awarded, for the purpose given. You can only receive one small grant in any financial year.

Please give full details of the purpose of your Small Grant application:

To provide transport to the Maritime Centre. £100
Light lunches and refreshments. £200. (This is based on the prices we have paid previously.
It depends on what the clients order off the cafe menu.)



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Please contact us if you are unsure about any of the above. We will support any group to achieve the required policies, in accordance with our work to promote Equality and Diversity in Grant Aid Allocation, and our obligations under the Public Sector Equality Duty 2022.

Does your organisation work in partnership with any other organisations? Yes/No (please circle)
If yes, please give details below:

This centre was operated by the Royal Voluntary Service until 2018 when the Volunteers were asked to take it over. Although we still have a connection with the RVS by paying them £25 per year for the use of their insurance, polices, training facilities and charitable status, we receive no funding from them.

Please provide details of membership/users:

Number of Members/Users?	Do members/users pay a subscription fee? <u>Yes</u> (please circle)	Subscription Fee?
12		£10 per person

Number of paid employees (if any)?	Number of volunteers?
Nil	5

What percentage of members/users live in Ashington?

75%

Please use this space to tell us how your organisation serves the residents of Ashington or contributes towards the wellbeing of the town and residents.

Anyone can become a member providing they are over 60 years and can take care of their own personal care. Not only does the centre help with loneliness and isolation for those attending but also gives carers a few hours respite. The sessions also allow for the Volunteers to get them out and about which helps to motivate them and enhance their wellbeing. Their ages range from 65 to 98 years and a lot of our clients aren't able to get out as they have no-one to take them. We try to provide either an outing or in-house entertainment such as a singer once a month, but this can be costly. We provide small gifts at special times of the year e.g. Christmas, Easter, Valentines etc. All of our clients receive a birthday card and cake. Without funding we are unable to provide these benefits on the fees we receive. We always use local businesses e.g. the



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Please attach a copy of your latest financial statement together with a copy of your most recent bank statement for each bank account your organisation maintains.

UNRESTRICTED BALANCES WILL BE TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT WHEN AGREEING AWARDS

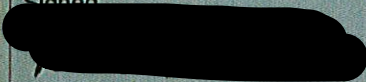

DECLARATION

- ✓ I confirm that to the best of my knowledge and belief, all the information in this application is true and correct.
- ✓ I agree to any disclosure or exchange of information about this application which Ashington Town Council deem appropriate for the administration, evaluation, monitoring and publicising of Small Grants.
- ✓ I understand that acceptance of this application by Ashington Town Council does not in any way signify that the organisation is eligible to or will receive a Small Grant.
- ✓ I have included the documents and policies required.
- ✓ I have included an up-to-date Financial Statement and copies of bank statements.
- ✓ I understand that the Council will *freeze* or *withdraw* funding or *reject* future applications if certain conditions are not met and/or there is evidence of unlawful activity, malpractice, or other behaviour that the Council deems improper.
- ✓ I agree to verify that Grant Aid has been spent for the intended purpose.



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I agree to inform the council of any significant changes to the membership or running of the organisation.

Signed 	Print name 	Date 27/3/24
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Date application received	Application successful? Yes/No	Proposed Award £
Any additional information requested:		