



Small Grant Application

Name of Organisation Wansbeck Gymnastics and Trampoline Club Registered charity number: 1209115	Contact Name [REDACTED]
Address for correspondence: [REDACTED]	Position [REDACTED]
Tel: [REDACTED]	Preferred contact for Grant Aid correspondence Letter () Telephone () Email (x)
Email: [REDACTED]	Bank Details:
Please tick to show you have read and understood the Data Protection Statement in the attached guidelines (x)	
What is the status of your organisation? (Please tick) Registered Charity (x) Voluntary Organisation () Community Group () Tenants' Association () Other, please specify	
If applying for the first time, please give a brief description of your group/organisation: Wansbeck Gymnastics and Trampoline Club is an award-winning, fully inclusive club providing gymnastics and trampolining coaching for children and adults of all ages and abilities with 463 current members. WGTC currently offers classes from beginners at recreational level up to national competition level. After being based at Ashington Leisure Centre for many years the club has recently moved into its own dedicated facility on Ashwood Business Park in Ashington.	
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	
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:	



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Please provide details of membership/users:		
Number of Members/Users? 463	Do members/users pay a subscription fee? Yes/ No (please circle) Members pay for the sessions they attend, but not a subscription fee.	Subscription Fee?
Number of paid employees (if any)? 14 paid employees (7.5 FTE)	Number of volunteers? 20	
What percentage of members/users live in Ashington? 46%		

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.

Wansbeck Gymnastics and Trampolining Club aspires to become a centre for excellence for gymnastics and trampolining and a community hub. The club is immensely proud of its friendly, supportive and inclusive reputation and is passionate about generating more opportunities for the people of Ashington and its surrounding areas. Ashington is an area of high deprivation, unemployment, and has a history of antisocial behaviour. WGTC provides access to high quality gymnastics and trampolining coaching to all, is fully inclusive and has a clear vision of how sport can have a positive impact on many other areas of people lives, including health and well-being, improved mental health, discipline, improving social relationships, and higher aspirations. At WGTC progression and training is encouraged and supported in many ways, from the leadership academy which provides opportunities for young people to volunteer, to progression through British Gymnastics coaching qualifications, and apprenticeships.

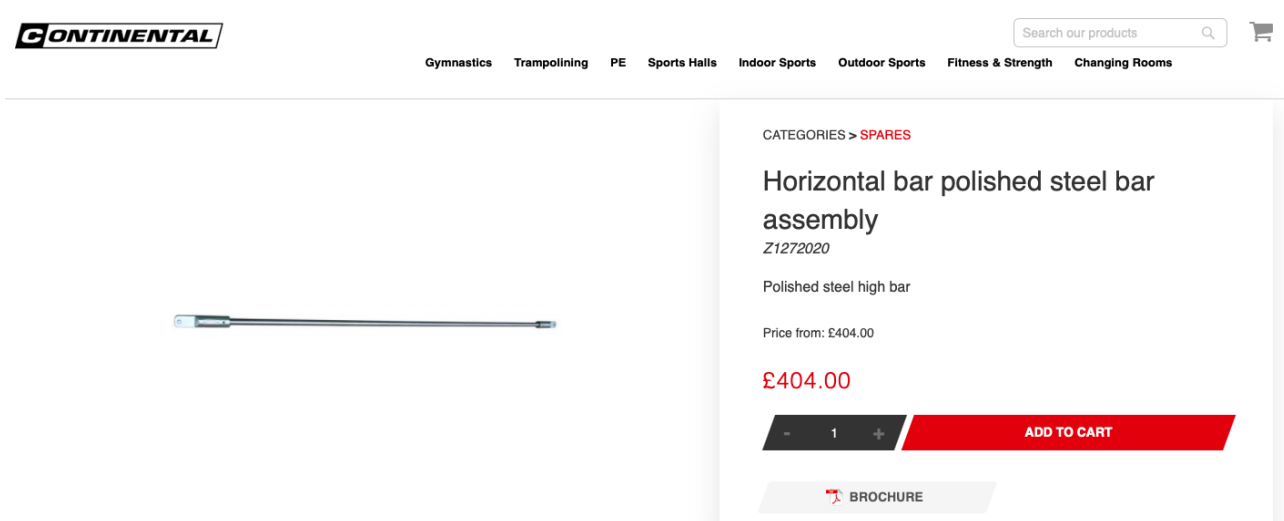
Amount of small grant requested (up to £500)

£484.80

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:

The grant we are requesting is to be able to purchase a polished bar, a training bar which reduces friction allowing gymnasts to do increased repetitions and safe progressions using straps. It allows more versatility in skill development and is a crucial piece of equipment.



The attached bank statement shows a balance which includes grant funding which has been recently received which is restricted for the allocated use but not yet spent. The club has a very tight break-even budget based on fees and operating costs, but this does not allow for purchasing new equipment needed by the club to expand our offer to the community, this can only be purchased through fundraising.

Our ongoing vision for the club to become a centre for excellence comes with great cost implications and we source funding wherever we can. The total cost estimated to upgrade all our facilities is over £290,000. Last year we raised over £35,000 on Crowdfunder to purchase a sprung floor including a £10,000 grant from Sport England, £5,000 grant from Councillor Caroline Ball, £4,000 from Sterling Pharma Solutions, £500 from the Rotary Club of Cramlington and Wansbeck. We have recently received a grant for £25,000 Ashington Leisure Partnership which will enable us to purchase some new mats for our beam area. We recently came third in the Cash for Kids Sports Challenge, raising £8229.50. We regularly run our own fundraising events including raffles, tombolas, and social events and we are continuously trying to improve the offer that we provide to the local area.

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



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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.

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

Signed K. Delf	Print name Karen Delf	Date 30/1/2025
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Date application received	Application successful? Yes/No	Proposed Award £
Any additional information requested:		