

Press release from Newton Abbot Town Council

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Newton Abbot Town Council urges good causes to apply for grants

CHARITIES and community groups in Newton Abbot have been urged to take advantage of a financial support scheme operated by the Town Council.

Each year the authority sets aside a modest pot of cash to help organisations with their work in the town.

For 2020/2021 a total of £9,000 has been earmarked with some of that already having been claimed and put to good use.

Now with little more than four months to go until the end of the financial year, a call has gone out for the rest of the cash to be pumped into community projects.

Chair of the council's Finance and Audit Committee, Cllr Colin Parker, said: 'This money has been put aside with the express intention of supporting our town's good causes.

'While it may not be a huge sum we know what a difference even a grant of a few hundred pounds can make.

'Groups don't have to be registered charities to apply, provided you are genuine in your desire to help the people of Newton Abbot and can demonstrate how you go about that, then we'll happily consider your case.

'It's easy to apply, we usually limit grants to £250, but as long as it's within our remaining budget which currently sits at approximately £4,000, we will consider it.

'There are so many residents trying to make a difference in Newton Abbot and as your Town Council we want to ensure that we help whenever we can.

'It won't be a case of first come, first served, but I'd urge people to get in touch sooner rather than later as we're all having to work remotely at the moment and decision-making can take a little longer than normal.

'We're very proud of our town and delighted to be in a position to offer a little financial support, we look forward to hearing from anyone who thinks we might be able to assist.'

To apply call 01626 201120 or email phil.rowe@newtonabbot-tc.gov.uk.