



WITNEY TOWN COUNCIL

Grant-aid to Local Organisations APPLICATION FORM

(PLEASE COMPLETE THE FORM IN BLOCK CAPITALS)

(1) Your Organisation

Name of Organisation	Mayor of Witney [Cllr Andy Bailey]		
Registered Address*	Witney Town Council, Town Hall, Witney		
Post Code	OX28 6AG	Tel No.	Secretary – Loraine Harwood 01993 704379
Contact Name	Loraine Harwood		
Position in Organisation	Secretary to the Mayor (i.e. Chairman, Treasurer, Secretary)		
Registered Charity	YES/NO	Registration No.	

What are the activities and/or aims of the organisation:

This year the Mayor has chosen to fundraise for the following chosen charities:

Apollos

Apollos Clothing is a Witney based charity focused on eliminating clothing poverty and reducing textile waste. They collect and refurbish preloved and outgrown clothes to provide clean, quality garments to families in need, especially through referral partnerships with schools, refuges, food banks, and social services. Their volunteer Sewing Squad upcycles garments fixing minor defects, so items avoid landfill. This ethos blends dignity, environmental care, waste reduction, and community empowerment.

Witney & West Oxfordshire Food Bank

Witney & West Oxfordshire Foodbank is a volunteer-run charity that believes no one in the community should go hungry. Operating as part of the Trussell Trust network, it provides nutritionally balanced emergency food parcels (typically a minimum of three to five days' worth) and essential toiletry items to people in crisis—referred by frontline professionals such as GPs, social workers, schools, and Citizens Advice. Rooted in compassion and partnership, it offers practical support alongside a warm, non-judgmental welcome .

(2) Membership

How many members do you have?	n/a
Approximately how many of your members live in Witney?	n/a
Is membership restricted in any way?	n/a

What is your annual subscription, if any?	n/a
Are you affiliated to a national organisation? If so, which one?	n/a
Local venue/meeting place	n/a
(3) Grants	
<p>Purpose for which the grant is required:</p> <p>Request for three subsidised/ free uses of the Corn Exchange to hold events which help fundraise for the above charities during the mayoral term of office 2025/26</p> <p>The 4 Hour hire charge for a charity event in the Main Hall of the Corn Exchange is £160. Three events would equate to a total of £480.</p>	
Amount of grant applied for	£480
Has your organisation previously applied to the Town Council for a grant?	YES/NO
If YES please give details	This has provided to former Mayors of Witney in previous years
Have you applied for a grant to any other body or organisation?	YES/NO
If YES please give details	
(4) Financial	
<p><i>Please enclose a copy of your latest audited accounts, a financial projection for the period following the balance sheet or a Business Plan if a new organisation.</i></p>	
(5) Fundraising	
<p>What fundraising events or activities will your organisation be holding this year?</p> <p>Not yet known until provision has been given for the subsidised use.</p>	
(6) General	
<p>Recipients of a grant from the Town Council should acknowledge the fact on all relevant literature.</p> <p>Please provide or attach any additional information which may assist the Council in reaching its decision.</p>	
<p><i>I certify that the above information is true to the best of my knowledge and belief, and that I am authorised to make this application for Grant-aid.</i></p>	
Signed: D Mackenzie (Committee Clerk)	Date: 21 July 2025