



WITNEY TOWN COUNCIL

Youth Services Grant

APPLICATION FORM

(PLEASE COMPLETE ELECTRONICALLY)

Organisation			
Name of Organisation	Oxfordshire Music and Arts Trust (OxMAT)		
Registered Address (including Post Code)	A J Carter & Co , 22b High Street WITNEY OX28 6RB		
Website	www.oxmat.co.uk	Telephone	██████████
Facebook/Twitter	Oxfordshire_music_and_arts trust	Email	info@oxmat.co.uk
Contact Name	Jon Berry		
Position in Organisation	Chairman (i.e. Chairman, Treasurer, Secretary)		
Registered Charity	YES	Registration Number	1158771
<p>What are the activities and/or aims of the organisation?</p> <p>We aim to advance the art of music and the arts by extending provision of (predominantly, but not exclusively) musical activities to all and any age groups that would benefit. We believe in music for all, but make special effort to engage those who are underprivileged, excluded or vulnerable.</p>			

Membership	
How many members do you have?	approximately 150
Approximately how many of your members live in Witney?	60-80%
Is membership restricted in any way?	No
What is your annual subscription, if any?	None
Are you affiliated to Oxfordshire Youth or other similar umbrella organisation? If so, which one?	No
Local venue/meeting place (if applicable)	Green Room Studios
Grant-Funding	
<p>Purpose for which the grant is required:</p> <p>OxMAT propose to grow the provision delivered this year by offering a 12 month youth program (funded 50/50 by WTC and OxMAT), to include:</p> <p>39 term time after-school tutorial/band sessions (for up to 20 bands/individuals at each); bandcamps during 3x school holidays, 4 talent showcases, a youth festival in June 2023 as part of Witney Music Festival (or other established event); a winter Youth Festival in collaboration with other local youth providers.</p> <p>This programme will be delivered by local music tutors, many of whom were impacted by Covid restrictions and now the cost of living/fuel crisis. It will be open to all young people, but the programme</p>	

<p>will actively seek referrals from local youth organisations for individuals who would otherwise be excluded due to financial, social, physical, learning or geographical barriers.</p> <p>The festivals will provide an opportunity to celebrate young people and for local youth organisations to showcase their work and connect with the community</p> <p>Additionally, we would extend our lending library to make music more accessible for individuals who find themselves restricted or excluded from existing services.</p>	
Amount of grant applied for	£10,740
Has your organisation previously applied to the Town Council for a grant?	YES/NO Yes
If YES, please give details	We applied for and obtained a grant last year
Have you applied for a grant to any other body or organisation?	YES
If YES, please give details	A discretionary grant from WODC for £500 (c2014); A grant for £600 from Witney Round Table (2019); Ecclesiastical Giving, £1,000 (2019)
Financial	
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.	
Fundraising	

What fundraising events or activities will your organisation be holding this year?

The charity opened the Witney Music Festival Main Stage.

Supported Wychwood Fayre by providing power to the music stage.

The charity opened the main stage for Minster Lovell Beer Festival 2022 by providing a full back line of amplifiers, cabs and additional power for this year's main stage. We also volunteered help with the stage and band areas.

The charity has built links with Got2B, providing a drum kit on loan and planning for youth event collaboration.

Next year, the charity has established opportunities with Nor Lye, Wychwood and other festivals to extend our reach and attract more participants to our events.

General

Please provide or attach any additional information which may assist the Council in reaching its decision.

- 39 term time Rock Club sessions of teaching/creation and preparation. At a cost of £4,680 (Joint funded, £2,340 WTC and £2,340 OxMAT).
- 3 full bursaries for individuals unable to contribute. £1,200 (Joint funded £600 WTC, £600 OxMAT).
- 3 x band camps for up to 40 young people (total 16 days. £6,200 to pay for tutors plus rehearsal rooms and performance space (Joint funded, £3,100 WTC, £3,100 OxMat).
- 4 x showcases. £1,600 for facilitators, space and marketing (Joint funded, £800 WTC, £800 OxMat).

- Youth Festival June and December 2023 Providing a Showcase for Witney youth projects, programs, clubs. £5,200 to pay for stage, lighting, sounds, volunteer coordination, recruitment of stalls, security. (Joint funded, WTC £2,600 and OxMat £2,600)

Lending library: £1,300 equipment: guitars, drums, keyboards, ukuleles etc; £1,300pa storage. (Joint funded WTC £1,300 and OxMat £1300)

Total WTC contribution = £10,740 (OxMAT to fund £10,740)

Total costs £21,480

OxMAT will link with Synylos, Guideposts, The ICE Centre, Got2B, Church groups and other local providers to reach young people who have not had access to such services who would benefit.

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.

Signed: 

Date:
13/09/2022

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