



Members of the Council you are
hereby summoned to attend an extraordinary meeting of

Kington Town Council

to be held on **Wednesday 12th February 2025 at 5.00pm**

at The Old Police Station, Market Hall Street, Kington HR5 3DP
for the purpose of transacting the following business.

Agenda

1. Apologies, Declarations of Interest and Requests for Dispensation
2. To consider a request for a community grant for the Lion Hub CIC for up to £2,500 towards the deposit for the purpose of premises in Kington
3. Items for the next agenda and date and time of next meeting

Issued by:

Cllr. P. Sell, Mayor, Kington Town Council
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Email: clerk@kingtontowncouncil.gov.uk

6.2.2025

Members of the public are welcome to attend meetings of the Town Council and may, at the discretion of the Chairman, speak on some agenda items. For further information on council procedures please speak to the clerk.

In the interests of the health and well being of councillors, staff and members of the public in attendance, please do not attend this meeting if you are unwell whether or not you have tested positive for covid or any other virus or infectious disease.



Kington Town Council

Old Police Station,
Market Hall Street, Kington, HR5 3DP

Application for a grant from Kington Town Council

Please fill in all sections as appropriate on behalf of your organisation. Should you wish to expand on an answer, please enclose additional information separately.

We only allow one project per application.

When completed please return this application form by email to:

clerk@kingtontowncouncil.gov.uk or by post to The Town Clerk, Kington Town Council, Old Police Station, Market Hall Street, Kington HR5 3DP

Please make sure you sign and date the declaration at the end of this form.

Section one: your organisation

Organisation's name?

The Lion Hub cic

Please tell us who your officers are

Directors of not for profit CIC

Miss Kate Watkins

Miss Nia Watkins Lloyd

plus 2 committee members

Your main contact

Name Kate watkins

Position or office held in organisation

Hub Manager / Director

Address

The Lion, 52 Bridge Street, Kington. Herefordshire HR53DJ

Phone:
07535994569

email theliontalkhub@aol.com

We are moving to BACS payments. Please provide us with details of the account to be credited, should your application be successful. (Write legibly please).

Bank	Account name	Sort code	Account number

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Is your organisation a	Y/N	Charity / Company / VAT number
<i>Registered charity</i>	n	
What is the charity number	n	
<i>Company limited by guarantee</i>	y	
If yes, what is the company number		14241081
<i>Social enterprise</i>		
<i>Community group</i>		
<i>Other (tell us what)</i>		
Do you have a VAT number?		

Have you had a grant before from Kington Town Council?	n
If yes, when?	
If yes, did you submit an end of year report to comply with the grant conditions?*	
*Please provide an end of year report with this application if you have not done so before	

Section two: tell us about the project and what you want the funding for
(Please read the Guidance Notes for help in answering this)

How much are you requesting from Kington Town Council? 1000 - 2500

What will this pay for / how will you use this money?

Money will be used to purchase the building

Have you obtained or applied for funding from other funders for any items?

Pledges of £59k from private individuals and fundraising

How will this project benefit Kington and its residents? Are there any particular groups of residents who will benefit, such as age ranges, abilities, or people in a specific area?

We are a Talk Community Hub and warm space.

This will continue to support the whole community of all ages with our extensive schedule of groups who operate from the hub, by the hub and use the hub as a base. Safe space for people to come, chat meet others have refreshments.

Stay N Play
Chess Club
Games night
SEND support group
U3A poetry
Walking for health
Kington Community forum
Bingo
Carerslinks
Ageuk
Community Fridge & Larder
D N D
Hereford Veterans centre
Veterans support group
Pentre Farm
Stitch N Natter

When do you plan to start and finish your project?	Feb 2025
When your project has ended, what do you hope to have achieved?	Purchased the building

What is the total cost of the project? £280000
What are the itemised costs (for example, equipment, travel, stationary etc)? Please list here.

Section three: Volunteers and 'in kind' support

What is your estimated number of volunteers likely to be involved in the project?

10

If none, why not?

Has anyone offered, or have you sought, any 'in kind' support for your project?
(for example, donations of free space or equipment)

Section four: What are the risks to this project?

What happens if you don't get all the money you need for this project?

Kington will use an established Community Hub with nothing to replace it and 3 years of hard work will be wasted.

What will you do if Kington Town Council is unable to offer a grant?

close if we dont meet our target

Can you tell us anything else in support of your application?

Thank you for your application.

Please make sure that you have read the Guidance Notes and that your application complies with the notes. Complete the Grant Checklist, enclose all the information required, and sign the Declaration below.

Declaration

I declare that the information given is correct and I agree to adhere to the conditions laid out in Kington Town Council's Grants Policy.

On behalf of _____ The Lion Hub CIC _____
I accept the conditions in Kington Town Council's Grants Policy

A Watkins

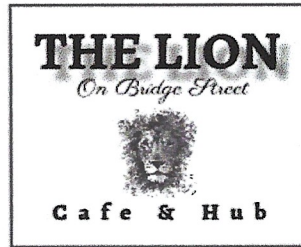
Signed_____

Dated__5th february 25_____

Please note:

Completion of this form does not necessarily mean that a grant application will be successful in part or whole.

Incorrect or incomplete forms will be returned to you for completion: please ask a Councillor or member of staff for help if you are unsure of anything.



The Lion Hub with The Community at its Heart ❤️

Lion Hub CIC
52 Bridge Street
Kington
HR5 3DJ

Email theliontalkhub@aol.com

Wednesday 5th February 2025

Dear Kington Town Council

Please find below the details to support a grant for The Lion Hub CIC to purchase the building at The Lion, 52 Bridge Street, Kington HR5 3DJ. We have been running as a Hub for the past 2 years and before as a cafe.

The Lion Hub has never asked for financial support from Kington Town Council and is a valuable asset to the community of Kington, now we do need your help to continue our valuable work. We are asking for an in-principle grant of £1000 - £1500 towards the purchase of the building.

- The terms for the purchase are set to be agreed within 2 weeks with completion in six weeks.
- Any grant made would be held by the solicitor in their client account.
- If for any reason the sale does not go ahead then the monies will be returned.
- If at any time in the future the hub closes and the building sold then the equity held by The Lion Hub cic will be used 'for the benefit of the people of Kington' as per the CIC's articles of association.
- Purchasing the building will ensure a sustainable future and open up more grants and assistance to support more of the community.
- We currently have 175 - 250 people per week coming through our doors for groups, refreshments, help and support.
- Our demographic are all ages from young to old, we support parents and children up to Pensioners.
- We have been a Talk Community Hub for 3 years and receive support and advice for many county and countrywide services
- We support The Kington Community Forum bringing together local groups and organisations.

Personal Note for Kate

I am passionate about supporting the community of Kington and believe there is a need for the Hub to continue, but I cannot do it alone. I currently work in excess of 50 hours per week at the hub unpaid with support from friends and people I have met along the way. The hub isn't just a business, it is my life. I believe if lots of groups /individuals are able to support us in a small or large way we can succeed in purchasing the building to continue and extend our hub. I was only told in September the building would be sold and we have already been pledged £59,250 by individuals of Kington which says that members of the community believe in us too.

I truly believe The Lion Hub is at the Heart of our Kington Community and hope you are able to help support us to continue and grow.

Regards

Yours sincerely,
Miss Kate Watkins
Hub Manager

Purchase		Operation/month	
Purchase Price	280,000.00	Income	
Cost of Purchase		Rent of Flats	1,300.00
Bank Fees	1,000.00	LionHub Income	1,620.00
Legal Fees	1,250.00	Grants	250.00
Survey	1,850.00	Total	3,170.00
Total	284,100.00	Expense	
Mortgage		Interest	1,400.00
Donations	196,000.00	Council Tax	0.00
Total	59,692.46	Insurance	100.00
		HPL	375.00
		Cost of sales	650.00
		Wages	600.00 (extra Exp) *
Surplus/shortfall	28,407.54	Total	3,125.00
		Surplus/Deficit	45.00
Wages are not currently paid			
Donations			
Pledges -	57,000.00		
cash donatio	2,012.46		
gofundme	680.00		
	59,692.46		