

Grant summary

Organisation

Macclesfield Light Orchestra

Funding request

Funding is requested towards the development of a new website for the orchestra to help promote their group.

Total cost

£259

Funding request

£250

The difference between the total cost and the funding request will be made up by members subscriptions.

END OF REPORT

Macclesfield Town Council Small Community Grant application form

Grants up to £250

Community for Voluntary Services Cheshire East (CVSCE) is a registered charity and independent organisation that provides support and services to groups. CVSCE provides support to Macclesfield Town Council's grant programme by reviewing completed grant application forms to ensure they meet the criteria set out in the Council's Grants and Funding Policy. For more information, please refer to the policy.

CVSCE can also offer guidance on completing the application form.

Contact details

Please complete table 1.

Table 1 Contact details

Applicant name:	
Organisation:	Macclesfield Light Orchestra
Address:	
Contact number:	
E-mail address:	

Project details

Please complete table 2.

Table 2 Project details:

The Macclesfield Light Orchestra is applying for a grant to help develop a new website. It is a not for profit organisation that holds concerts free of charge to raise money for local charities and good causes. All profits raised from tickets go directly to the charity. Our income comes largely from membership subscriptions. Recent concerts have helped raise funds for the NSPCC, the Salvation Army, East Cheshire Eye Society, SOSU and Action for Children. We are currently rehearsing for a concert to support the Stroke Association .

The Making Music Society has produced a platform service which we would like to use. The platform would allow us to produce a professional and effective website to promote our activities to new audiences, members and funders. The public facing website is used to advertise events, concerts and groups activities as well as integrate our social media feeds. The platform also has a separate members area to help with administrative duties.

This platform will allow us to engage with a wider audience as well as assisting in the management of the Orchestra.

Organisation:	Macclesfield Light Orchestra
Location of organisation:	We rehearse in the Salvation Army Rooms Macclesfield
Project name:	New Website Development
Short project description:	The project is to develop a new website to promote the orchestra's core values. The Macclesfield Light Orchestra's Core Values • Supporting local and national charities raising funds by concert performances • Providing low cost access to participation in music for all • Encouraging a diverse and inclusive range of players • Developing the skills of players in every way we can • Supporting all players in every way we can • Building the confidence of players • Treating players with respect • Being led and run by our members and the Committee • Contributing to local life as a Community Light Orchestra • Furthering the Light Orchestra tradition in a way that appeals to all people of today • Maintaining our independence as an organisation • Expecting high standards from all • Working to achieve the best standards of musicianship • Encouraging teamwork • Being innovative in our approach
If you receive a grant, briefly tell us what difference it will make to your organisation/area:	The grant would assist the orchestra to raise its profile so that more charities and their recipients could benefit from our concerts. A greater audience could be reached and a broader membership could be attracted. Not only would it enhance our contribution to community life but the wellbeing benefits of belonging to our group could be maximised.
Have you received a grant from us before? If so, please provide details of date, amount and project details.	Not in the past 15 years

Project cost

Please complete table 3.

Table 3 Project cost

Total cost of project:	£259.00
Amount requested from Macclesfield Town Council:	£250.00
Amount of any confirmed match funding (this is preferred but not essential)	NA
Outstanding balance:	£9.00
If there is a balance outstanding, please tell us how the shortfall will be met:	The shortfall would be met through orchestra members' subscriptions
Please state organisations bank account name (who the cheque should be made payable to):	The Macclesfield Light Orchestra

Project beneficiaries

Please complete table 4.

Table 4 Project beneficiaries

Please tell us how many people you expect to benefit if you were successful with your community grant application:	At least 300 audience , incalculable beneficiaries from the charities we support and the 25 members of the Orchestra.
Please tell us which geographical area will benefit most from your project or activity:	The Macclesfield area

Supporting documentation

Please complete table 5 to indicate if you have the supporting documents.

You do not need to send these documents in with your application (apart from your Governing Document and Safeguarding Policies, which must be supplied by email or post within 7 days of submitting this application) but we may request copies at a later date.

Table 5 Supporting documentation

Up to date Annual accounts/income and expenditure	Yes
Copy of your Governing Document (signed)	Yes
Planning permission	NA
Relevant insurances	Yes
Safeguarding policies	yes
Quotes/estimate for equipment	Yes
Affiliation to a Governing Body	NA
Equalities and Inclusion Policy	Covered in Governing Document

Data protection and consent

Please ensure that you read this section before submitting your application.

Grant application administration

Part or all of the information you supply to us will be held on our IT system. This information will be used for the administration of grant applications and for statistical analysis.

Copies of your application, but with personal details redacted, will be provided at the relevant council meeting for consideration of awarding the grant.

For transparency purposes, information about successful grant applications is added to our website and made available to the local press. The press may request contact details of someone able to provide additional information.

Please indicate below if you consent to us passing on your name and email address to the local press for this purpose.

Yes

Grant application support

Please indicate below if you agree for this form to be shared with CVSCE for the purposes of evaluating the application against Macclesfield Town Council's criteria for grants:

Yes

Please indicate below if you agree if you agree to CVSCE contacting me by the following methods to provide feedback or offer additional support on completing this application:

Postal address	Yes
Email address	Yes
Phone	Yes

Declaration

Please complete table 6.

I certify that to the best of my knowledge all the information contained within this application is correct.

I confirm that I understand, agree and accept the terms and conditions of this grant as set out in the Grants and Funding Policy.

Table 6 Declaration

Signed:	
Date:	13/05/2026
Name:	
Position in group:	Hon Secretary Macclesfield Light Orchestra

Return by email to admin@macclesfield-tc.gov.uk

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