

OVER £13K WORTH OF GRANTS ISSUED TO GOOD CAUSES ACROSS NEWBURY, WITH MORE TO COME

£13,750 has been awarded to 19 different organisations this June, including [West Berkshire Mencap](#) and [Eight Bells for Mental Health](#), following Newbury Town Council issuing its latest round of grant funding.

This year the Council is focussing on grants for youth organisations, with an additional pot of £10,000 set aside to support the town's younger generation. Half of this money was distributed at the June meeting of the grants committee with [Newbury YMCA Waterside Youth Café](#) and [Time to Talk West Berkshire](#) among the recipients.

Cllr Miles Evans, Deputy Leader of Newbury Town Council, said: "As a council, we're committed to supporting community groups who do such vital work. That's why we increased our grants budget by £15,000 this year. I'm especially pleased that we've been able to support the town's young people, through our specific youth grant funding."

Cllr David Fenn, Chair of the Town Council's Grants Committee, added: "The support of The Good Exchange means that they will match-fund each of our grants, in effect doubling the value of the grant to each successful applicant – a fantastic outcome".

Further funding will be allocated in November, when the grants committee meets again.

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The five youth organisations to benefit in June are:

Newbury YMCA Waterside Youth Café 2018/19	1,250
Newbury YMCA Clay Hill Youth Café 2018/19	1,250
PALS (West Berkshire)	500
Community Youth Project at The Nightingales 2018/19	1,250
Time to Talk West Berkshire	<u>1,250</u>
	<u>5,500</u>

£8,250 of other grants were also awarded. The following organisations received grants:

Eight Bells for Mental Health	750
Kennet Community Radio	250
Dingley's Promise	750
Newbury Athletic Club	500
Ladybirds Pre-School Newbury - safeguarding	500
The Willows Primary School PTFA	500
St Nicolas Church	500
The Corn Exchange (Newbury) Trust	750
St John's Church Newbury	500
1 st Wash Common Scout Group	500
West Berkshire Mencap	1,000
The Newbury Community Resource Centre Ltd	750
Friends of Wash Common Library	500
Ladybirds Pre-School Newbury – technology resources	<u>500</u>
	<u>8,250</u>

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All of these grants will be match funded by The Good Exchange.

If an organisation wishes to be considered for a grant at the November meeting of the Grants Committee, they need to apply to The Good Exchange <https://thegoodexchange.com/> and have their application finalised by 21 October 2018.

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