



TODMORDEN TOWN COUNCIL

SMALL GRANTS APPLICATION FORM – MAXIMUM GRANT £3,000

CONTACT DETAILS

Applicants should familiarise themselves with the Discretionary Grants Policy and award criteria before submitting their Grant application.

Date of Application:	04/11/2022	Ref Number: (official use only)	
Name of Organisation:	Todmorden Choral Society		
Address:			
	Postcode:		

Name of person making the application.		Position:	Chair
Telephone Number:		Email Address:	
Website:	https://todmordenchoral.org/	Town Clerk confirmed Bank details and supporting documents (official use only)	

ORGANISATION DETAILS

What type of organisation are you?		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Charitable Organisation <input type="checkbox"/> Unregistered Community Group/Club/Society (delete as appropriate*) <input type="checkbox"/> Registered Charity <input type="checkbox"/> Charity Number <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please state)		
Do you have a constitution or a set of rules? (if yes, please enclose a copy of your constitution)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Are you part of a larger, national or regional organisation? If yes, please give details	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
How many trustees, volunteers and service users are there in your organisation?	c.70 members	
Tell us about your organisation, its aims and the work you wish to undertake and your main activities and how you encourage engagement from all sections of the Todmorden Community		
<p>Todmorden Choral Society has been making music in the town since the end of the First World War, having previously been part of Todmorden Music Society. We usually perform two concerts per year in the Town Hall together with Todmorden Orchestra, a <i>Messiah</i> on the first Sunday in Advent and an Easter concert in April. In October we usually perform an Autumn concert at St Mary's with smaller instrumental forces, and we put on less formal Christmas (December) and Summer (early July) concerts in Central Methodist. We are always advertising for new members, via concert programmes, our website and social media; membership is open to all comers – there is no audition, and no absolute requirement to read music – and we rehearse weekly of a Wednesday evening in Central Methodist.</p>		
How will you acknowledge the Assistance of Todmorden Town Council on all promotional material - see declaration attend of application.		

Will your project have any implications in respect of climate emergency and if so, how do you intend to minimise such impact?

Not obviously! Both rehearsals and performances require maintaining the venues at a reasonable temperature, but this should be off-set by members saving energy at home.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION – (Please complete/provide)

Level of Reserves Held at application date	Audited Accounts/Annual Income Expenditure Statement	Bank Statement(s) Balance at application date	Total value of Assets Held
£11,173.34		£	£11,173.34

DETAILS OF FUNDING REQUESTED

What is the purpose of your request for a grant?

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Town Hall Hire
<input type="checkbox"/> Project Delivery
<input type="checkbox"/> Core Funding
<input type="checkbox"/> Civic Pride
<input type="checkbox"/> Town Centre Improvement
<input type="checkbox"/> Safety/Promotion
<input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Projects
<input type="checkbox"/> Climate Change | <input type="checkbox"/> Community Cohesion
<input type="checkbox"/> Cultural Arts & Music
<input type="checkbox"/> Town Centre Event
<input type="checkbox"/> Food Growing
<input type="checkbox"/> Skills Development
<input type="checkbox"/> Voluntary Sector Youth Engagement
<input type="checkbox"/> Social Exclusion/Economic Difficulties
<input type="checkbox"/> Accessibility and Inclusivity – especially Dementia friendly
<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Please Specify) |
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- Community Benefit

What is your project called? Todmorden Choral Society concerts

When will your project start and finish?	Start Date: Concerts: 27/11/2022 and 29/04/2023 Rehearsals: 31/08/2022	Finish Date: Concerts: 27/11/2022 and 29/04/2023 Rehearsals: 01/07/2023
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How will your project benefit the local community within the Todmorden town boundary? (Use a separate Sheet if necessary).

The benefits to our members’ mental health are notable, both of the actual singing and the social element of the regular rehearsals, especially since the majority of our members are 60+. During the pandemic we tried to keep up at least the social side of things by having Zoom-sings, because we were very conscious of people’s potential isolation.

The broader Todmorden community benefits from the town’s lively music and drama scene: even if not actively participating, everyone has the opportunity to come along to live performances as audience members, our concerts being both cheaper and more convenient to attend than events in Halifax or Manchester.

Why is this project needed? What advantage will it bring to Todmorden? How many people within the Todmorden town boundary will benefit from the project?
See previous box. In addition, the Choral Society's regular programme is a continuation of a historical tradition dating back to the 19 th century, and one closely linked with the Town Hall building. It is an essential part of Todmorden's claim to heritage status.
Please include dates and venue of events if applicable – please include a draft programme if available.
27/11/2022 Todmorden Town Hall, 7.15pm: Handel's <i>Messiah</i>
29/04/2023 Todmorden Town Hall, 7.30pm: Easter concert: Mozart's <i>Requiem</i> and other pieces

PROJECT COSTS AND FINANCES

Total Cost of Project:	£8,640	Amount Requested:	£1,200
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Have you previously applied for grant funding from Todmorden Town Council?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
If yes, when did you apply and what amounts were awarded?	Twice annually prior to the pandemic: the amounts have varied depending on the Town Hall hire charges over the years.	

Have you or this group previously applied for or received any other grant for this project?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Applied to:		
Date(s) applied for:		
Received from:		
Date(s) received:		
Amount (s) received:		

Budget: This budget should be for the **total cost** of the activity you are applying to do. Please be as accurate as you can, as you may be asked to explain any amount which is unclear. Attach a separate budget sheet if you have done this work already. Please also provide estimates/quotations of the proposed items of expenditure you may use.

Expenditure items	Cost (£)
Town Hall hire for Messiah	600
Professional vocal soloists and instrumentalists for Messiah	2,200
Autumn term rehearsal costs (musical director, pianist, venue hire)	1,520
Town Hall hire for Easter concert	600
Professional vocal soloists and instrumentalists for Easter concert	2,200
Spring term rehearsal costs (musical director, pianist, venue hire)	1,520
If applicable - Volunteer hours at £10 per hour	
A: Total Expenditure	8,640

Other Income Sources (state from whom and whether confirmed)	Income (£)
From your own resources (including public fundraising)	
Members' subscriptions (confirmed)	4,410
Patrons subscriptions (confirmed)	720
Ticket sales for the two concerts (estimated)	2,310
If applicable - Volunteer hours at £10 per hour - (Match with Figure in Expenditure)	
B: Total Income	7,440

C: Sum requested from Todmorden Town Council	1,200
D: Applicant contribution % = (B/A)% - (official use only)	86 %
E: Todmorden Town Council Contribution % = (C/A)% (official use only)	14 %
D: Total income (must be sum of B & C above) and equal to figure A	8,640
TTC use – does applicant contribution % meet criteria – see end of application form (official use only)	Yes

How much do you receive from your main funder ?	Per year £
What other grants have you received in the last 3 years (amount and from who?)	
None since 2019 – but before the pandemic we received an annual grant from the Town Council contribution towards hire of the Town Hall.	
Please attach any other information you think is appropriate for this project, e.g. insurance cover, health and safety issues, planning permission received, quotations from suppliers and any other relevant information to support your application.	