



## TODMORDEN TOWN COUNCIL

### GRANTS AWARDED FEEDBACK FORM

<b>Organisation Name</b>	Todmorden Orchestra		
<b>Date of Award</b>	June 2023	<b>Amount of Award</b>	£1852
<b>Total Actual Project Cost</b>	£15950	<b>Ref Number:</b> <i>(office use only)</i>	<b>Minute ref:</b>

Purpose of Grant	
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Town Hall Hire</b> <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 Benefit	<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)

Summary of project successes outcomes, benefits to Todmorden Community and Residents and numbers positively impacted by this Grant. If a more detailed appraisal is available for your project and its outcome, please attach to this feedback form.
<p>Concerts were delivered, in Todmorden Town Hall, on 24<sup>th</sup> June 2023, 25<sup>th</sup> November 2023, 27<sup>th</sup> January 2024 and 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2024 as planned. The cost of hire of the Town Hall for each of these concerts was very kindly partially covered by this Town Council grant.</p> <p>Each concert was a great success, with audiences averaging around 170, and about-60 players taking part in each concert, the vast majority giving their time for rehearsals and concerts voluntarily. Players were welcomed of all backgrounds and we have supported those with economic barriers to participate.</p> <p>The family concert which we staged in January in conjunction with Music for the Many was again a great success. Presented by Lucy Drever it appealed to children who were actively able to take part in the concert which included a selection of short popular classics with some at a standard allowing some children to play in the orchestra. Children from 2 Todmorden schools (?) were also actively involved in some of the pieces.</p> <p>We also brought in soloists from Chethams school of music and the Royal Northern College of Music.</p> <p>Review from the March 2024 concert:</p> <p><i>"After the interval the orchestra and conductor laid into Tchaikovsky's Fourth Symphony with a will, a flourish and gales of romantic ardour..... The sighing endearments of the slow movement registered well. The outer movements brimmed with adrenalin-drenched passion which recalled the crash of the Shostakovich Overture."</i></p>

Impact – if applicable and where known have benefited from project - complete where relevant.	Numbers
Residents engaged in project/ viewed outcome.	750
Volunteers engaged in project.	70
Todmorden residents benefitting from skills development.	50

Volunteers benefitting from skills development.	50
Town Centre and or other venue visits generated.	800
Youth persons involved in project.	80
Dementia friendly activities involved in the project	0
Socially excluded/those with economic difficulties involved in the project.	unknown

<b>Financial Summary of Project/Event</b>	<b>Expenditure</b>	<b>£15950</b>	<b>Income</b>	<b>£13000</b>
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**If possible, please provide a set of accounts in respect of this specific project and where applicable, a later set of audited accounts if these are now available since originally submitting your grant application.**

**Where accounts are not available a simple income and expenditure statement will suffice.**  
**Please attach evidence of expenditure e.g. receipts.**

**How have you promoted the assistance of the Town Council in your project literature/Web Site and or Social Media? Please provide supporting evidence and where able to analytics of visits to site, opportunities to see.**

Acknowledged in programmes, on website, on social media

**What lasting benefit do you think the Town Council Grant has made to your organisation?**

Without this grant we would not be able to sustainably afford to deliver these concerts at affordable ticket prices, which would mean they could not take place in the town hall for the benefit of the audiences, the community and the participants.

We believe it is vital to the cultural offering in Todmorden that we are able to continue to present classical music of high quality in Todmorden, utilising the superb surroundings of the Town Hall. We also recognise the importance of the sense of community this brings to the town, both for audiences and for playing participants, who meet weekly to prepare these concerts.

**If you have received grants from the Town Council before, please advise how you intend to be more self-sustainable and reduce your reliance on Town Council funding for the future.**

The Town Council has supported us for a number of years with venue costs. We continue to try to build audiences, and develop other funding and revenue sources, to support us to be sustainable going forward.

To maintain affordable ticket prices and we are currently still heavily reliant on the Town Council funding to continue these performances.

**If your project had any impact on Climate Emergency what were these and how were they minimised ?**

Not applicable