



TODMORDEN TOWN COUNCIL

GRANTS AWARDED FEEDBACK FORM

Organisation Name	Tod Kindness Crew		
Date of Award	17/10/2024	Amount of Award	£500
Total Actual Project Cost	£560	Ref Number: (office use only)	Minute ref:

Purpose of Grant	
☐ Town Hall Hire ☐ Project Delivery ☐ Core Funding ☐ Civic Pride ☐ Town Centre Improvement ☐ Safety/Promotion ☐ Environmental Projects ☐ Climate Change ☐ Community Benefit	☐ Community Cohesion ☐ Cultural Arts & Music ☐ Town Centre Event ☐ Food Growing ☐ Skills Development ☐ Voluntary Sector Youth Engagement ☐ Social Exclusion/Economic Difficulties ☐ Accessibility and Inclusivity – especially Dementia friendly ☐ 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.
Our project has had a slow start, primarily due to difficulty in engaging volunteers, however due to word of mouth we now have 17 volunteers on our books. Unfortunately, many of whom can only volunteer at the weekend, which is not when families wish to have the work carried out, but we do have a team of 8 active and loyal volunteers. Our contacts with Tod Support sadly came to no fruition, but we now have contact with Disability Support which is proving beneficial to all. We are loathe to advertise our services due to 1. A requirement to assess need of recipient and 2. Being asked for far more than we are able to do. This has meant that we have been able to undertake less individual jobs than we had hoped. However it has meant that we are able to return to do more jobs than originally expected at the recipients we do work for. What begins as being asked to decorate a bedroom (and we are all aware that the rooms we are walking through are in an appalling state), we are asked if we could possibly come back, when we are able to do more work. The reaction we get from recipients is overwhelming, tears, excitement, massive gratitude and on one occasion speechlessness. One elderly gent began crying, saying I have never in all my life been able to actually choose the colours I decorate my walls! The work we have undertaken is across the length of Todmorden, from Walsden to Portsmouth.

Impact – if applicable and where known have benefited from project - complete where relevant.	Numbers
Residents engaged in project/ viewed outcome.	22
Volunteers engaged in project.	12
Todmorden residents benefitting from skills development.	
Volunteers benefitting from skills development.	12
Town Centre and or other venue visits generated.	
Youth persons involved in project.	
Dementia friendly activities involved in the project	
Socially excluded/those with economic difficulties involved in the project.	22

Financial Summary of Project/Event	Expenditure	£560	Income	£500* from TTC
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.
We do not have a website but we do have a facebook presence and we have acknowledged the grant received from Ttc on there. It is also on all our emails.

What lasting benefit do you think the Town Council Grant has made to your organisation?
It has enabled TKC to get up and begin running. We need more volunteers and more work and over time I have no doubt this will happen. We have to date carried out 10 projects, many of which have required a number of visits, this has netted 90 volunteer hours and a further 80 coordinator hours two thirds of which have been volunteered. It has meant people who cannot improve their own household environment due to ill health, disability or age are now living in rooms decorated by volunteers to a high standard improving the recipients mental health and pride in their environment. Additionally it has enabled people to enjoy their outside space for the first time in years, including doing a fair amount of the donkey work to enable The Old Library's Garden to become the beautiful productive space it is now.

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.

If your project had any impact on Climate Emergency what were these and how were they minimised ?
Our project is not in and of itself environmentally positive, other than, we share lifts to the venues we will be working in, and we wash brushes and rollers at the end of the day, as opposed to throwing them away as is done in many commercial situations. We had been able to access paint ends from a local decoration company but sadly our contact has now left, we will be trying to make a connection directly with the company in the future.