



TODMORDEN TOWN COUNCIL GRANTS AWARDED FEEDBACK FORM

Organisation Name	Todmorden Orchestra		
Date of Award	12 June 2025	Amount of Award	£2,990.00
Total Actual Project Cost	£16,538	Ref Number: <i>(office use only)</i>	Minute ref:

Purpose of Grant	
<input type="checkbox"/> Town Hall Hire <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Project Delivery <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Core Funding <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Civic Pride <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Town Centre Improvement <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Safety/Promotion <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Environmental Projects <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Climate Change <input type="checkbox"/> Community Benefit	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Community Cohesion <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cultural Arts & Music <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Town Centre Event <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Food Growing <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Skills Development <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Voluntary Sector Youth Engagement <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Social Exclusion/Economic Difficulties <input checked="" 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>We rehearsed throughout the year in Todmorden, and delivered 4 performances in the town centre. We engaged with new and existing audiences. We supported the redevelopment of the Town Hall.</p> <p>We supported our members to participate, learn and develop skills, and enjoy socialising and development of friendships.</p> <p>We involved local volunteers in delivery of our rehearsals and events. We involved young people in preparation and delivery.</p> <p>We brought renowned soloists into Todmorden to perform with us. We produced high quality classical music in the town, and engaged with a broad range of local residents. We received fabulous feedback.</p> <p>Some supporting evidence is attached.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Link to Facebook review - Link to Video of the family concert - 2x images in the Town Hall - Word cloud of feedback from the Jan 2026 concert - Financial Summary

Impact – if applicable and where known have benefited from project - complete where relevant.	Numbers
Residents engaged in project/ viewed outcome.	1020
Volunteers engaged in project.	60
Todmorden residents benefitting from skills development.	43
Volunteers benefitting from skills development.	5
Town Centre and or other venue visits generated.	4

Youth persons involved in project.	55
Dementia friendly activities involved in the project	NA
Socially excluded/those with economic difficulties involved in the project.	NA

Financial Summary of Project/Event	Expenditure	£16,538	Income	£ 17,511 (including this grant)
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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.

PLEASE NOTE THAT WHILST WE HAVE NOT PAID AS MUCH AS EXPECTED FOR THE TOWN HALL, OUR OVERALL COSTS HAVE STILL BEEN HIGH. WE HAVE INCLUDED THE COSTS OF TRANSPORTATION IN THE VENUE HIRE

WE WERE GIVEN A DISCOUNTED HIRE IN JUNE 2025 BECAUSE OF PREVIOUS DISRUPTION (IT WAS APPLIED RETROSPECTIVELY, SO EFFECTIVELY THE ACTUAL HIRE COSTS WERE DOUBLE THOSE REPORTED IN THE NUMBERS ABOVE)

IN JANUARY 2026, DUE TO THE FLOOR BEING REFURBISHED IN THE TOWN HALL, WE HAD TO MOVE TO TODMORDEN COLLEGE. THIS MEANT WE HAD TO DELIVER TWO CONCERTS BECAUSE OF THE REDUCED VENUE SIZE, WHICH PUSHED ALL OUR OTHER COSTS UP.

WE THEREFORE ASK THAT WE ARE ABLE TO RETAIN THE FULL GRANT AS ORIGINALLY AGREED, AS THERE HAVE BEEN NO REAL SAVINGS TO THE ORCHESTRA.

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 have included the Town Council on our publicity and in printed materials
PDF example of a programme is attached

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

The funding has allowed us to sustain an audience-accessible, high-quality, classical music series in Todmorden.

It has also ensured we can continue to use the Town Hall as a venue going forward, and has helped us to work with young people to support their future musical development.

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.

We have received grants before. We are working on other funding streams.

We've been applying for other grants – and despite the highly competitive nature of the process we have had some success (eg the Sir George Martin Trust supported the January family concert, and we have another of other applications currently pending decision).

We are also encouraging donations from other sources, and working to grow our base of orchestral friends, who are also regular givers.

We have set ourselves up to be eligible for Orchestra Tax Relief.

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

No specific impact, however, we have encouraged sustainable transport choices, helped by the fact that we are able to rehearse and perform in the well-connected Todmorden Town Centre.

Please attach visual evidence of the work that has been undertaken thanks to this grant. This can be photographs or videos of your work, your staff or your volunteers, recipients of services etc.. Please ensure you have the permission of the people in the photographs or videos.

You can also consider attaching other visual material, such as any artwork that is created during the project, event posters, or certificates given to participants or volunteers.

These images may be used by Todmorden Town Council to share news about the project, and to publicise the work happening in our community. Images may be used in press releases, printed publicity, social media and published on Todmorden Town Council's website.

We comply with GDPR law in regards to the storage of images.