APPLICATION FOR GRANT AID SUPPORT GILSTRAP CHARITY

1. About Your Organisation			
Organisation Name:	The Free Football Club		
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2. Project Description

Please describe the nature of your project and its objectives:

Nature of Project: We started The Free Football Club with a mission to remove all barriers to child participation in sport. Whether it be a lack of equipment, money, transport

or time, we aim to provide support to underprivileged children and their families across Newark on Trent.

Objectives: To improve access to sport for underprivileged children, aiming to improve their fitness and wellbeing, self-esteem and confidence, as well as giving opportunity to the potential future sports people in our area.

Expected Start Date: March 2024 Expected Finish Date: Ongoing

Where will your project/event take place? Within Newark on Trent, with particular focus on the hardest to reach young people in Newark's areas of high deprivation according to the Government Indices of Multiple Deprivation (IMD).

3. People who will Benefit from this Project/Event

Please provide details of who will benefit from this event and which area of Newark the project/event will cover. Underprivileged children across all of Newark on Trent.

How many people will participate in the project? Two volunteers and hopefully an unlimited number of service users.

What links does the project have to existing arts or cultural related events and programmes both locally and nationally? None at present as we're looking to get off the ground.

Why is the project needed? Increasing children's participation in sport has been identified as a Government priority leading to the release of it's new sport Strategy: 'Get Active: a strategy for the future of sport and physical activity.' The Strategy sets out an aspiration to use the power of sport and being physically active to improve the nation's health and wellbeing, as well as introducing ambitious national participation targets for children and adults. We aim to be part of delivering these goals on a local level.

How will you promote and publicise your project? Via social media, contacts within the education system, referrals, local media, and public events			
What longer term benefits will be derived from the project? Increased health and wellbeing in underprivileged children, reduced anti-social behaviour, increased social cohesion.			
4. Project/Event Budget			
Please provide details of the project/event budget, including the amount requested from the Gilstrap Charity. If the total cost is more than the grant requested, where will the rest of the funding come from? The project will have an ongoing budget. At present we're hoping for a grant of £200 in order for us to organise our first sessions and source equipment for our service users. Our intention is to seek corporate sponsors, grants from sporting bodies and individual donations.			
Is your organisation VAT registered? No If yes, please provide your VAT Registration Number:			
Will there be any income generated from the project/event? If yes, please provide estimates. All of our events will be free of charge at the point of use.			
5. Have applications been made for other sources of third party funding?			
Not at present.			
6. Other Supporting Comments and Information			
For Clarity - Phase one of our action plan involves the issuing and gifting of boots, shinpads and other equipment required by our service users.			
Phase two is focussed on providing free organised sessions, with phase three projected to tackle any transport or access problems any of our services users might encounter.			
If successful pin all three phases, we intend to roll out similar services across as many sports as possible.			
BANK ACCOUNT DETAILS (If your application is successful, we will pay the award through a BACS transfer).			

DECLARATION			
I confirm that I am authorised to sign this application on behalf of			
I undertake that any grant awarded will be used solely for the purpose outlined in this application. I also understand that the Gilstrap Charity reserves the right to withhold the payment of the whole or any part of the grant or to require repayment if any information contained herein is false or misleading.			
Signed	Print Name Tim Harding		
Date 20th February 2024			

CONDITIONS OF GRANT FUNDING

- 1. Approval must be sought for any subsequent changes to the submitted project outline.
- 2. If any grant awarded is surplus to requirements this should be returned to the Charity.
- 3. If funding is awarded the applicant will be required to provide progress reports to the Charity and a post event/project evaluation report.
- 4. The applicant will ensure that all necessary licences and consents are obtained.
- 5. The grant must be spent within 12 months of being awarded.
- 6. Proof of expenditure will be required.
- 7. Any publicity/marketing material associated with the grant funded event/initiative must acknowledge the Charity's grant funding contribution and include the Charity's logo and website address.

Please return this form to:

Clerk to the Gilstrap Charity Castle House Great North Road Newark Notts, NG24 1BY