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Grant Evaluation

- The Parish Council likes to hear how community groups have used the money awarded to them
- As the money awarded is public money, we also need to make sure that the money has been spent appropriately and as agreed

Name of Organisation	Arts For Health C.I.C.
Amount of award	£ 1500
Purpose for which the grant was awarded	Equipment and tuition for existing music, animation and access to digital technology projects for adults in the Holme Valley

The Story of Your Project

- *Tell us what you did with the money awarded to you*
- *Attach a few photos*

The purchase of “gig bags” and laptop bags has meant people can transport our donated synthesizers and purchased laptop computers safely.



The lap top bags are made from 60% recycled materials. The syntesizers were donated from the charity “Music For All” and were discontinued stock .. we have effectively “upcycled” them.

The second hand digital SLR camera and second hand “cinematic” lenses have increased the quality of the project’s photography and film production. They were used to great effect on our journeys around the Parish Council Boundaries. This part of the project is ongoing due to the recent inclement weather. Sample images are attached below. The D-day 80th Anniversary commemoration organized by “Friends of Cliff Recreation Ground” was on our list of community events to document for posterity. Some images are also attached



The Deputy Lieutenant arrives.

The Story of Your Project contd.



The Deputy Mayor and Deputy Lieutenant watching Hade Edge Band.



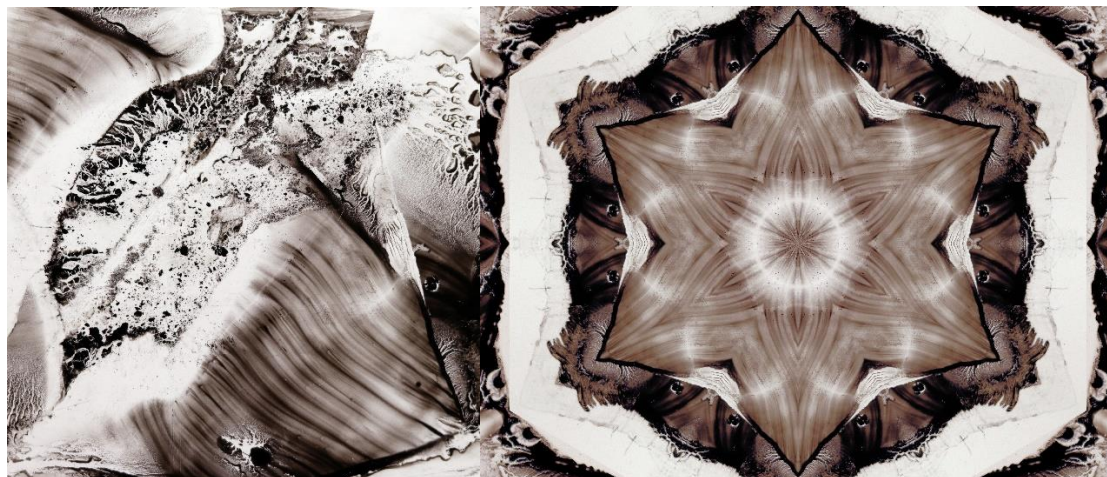
A local watching the event !





The beacon is alight !

Our computer graphics and photography skills have been greatly improved with the help of Claire Barnett . the images below were photographs of a piece of Repel Art and how we have learned to manipulate the images :



We have been out photographing the Parish Boundary throughout the year since October. We have discovered new views and vistas and hope to compile a slide show with music as the “summer” progresses.





We intend to organize a “Spot the Bear “ Picture Trail over the school holidays. Our ursine friend was gifted to us and plays an invaluable role in making vulnerable people feel comfortable. The bear is also a firm favourite with children.





This is a single frame from our latest animation. The cows have been 3d printed by a group member. The film looks at the sugar content of common foodstuffs and is part of our work ongoing work to raise awareness of the risks of Type 2 Diabetes. We are aware that there are other yoghurts available and will be looking at their sugar content too.

A final part of our story relates to the requests we received from project participants for help with accessing digital, online central government and local government services. Feelings of inadequacy have been experienced by several of our participants because they have not succeeded in accessing services on their own . We have delivered bespoke assistance/training sessions to help people. We have discovered specific “bugs” in several on-line forms from DVLA, DWP and Kirklees Council which impact on people who use older “Android” mobile phones. We have then made our project lap-tops available for people to use functioning Windows based web pages.

What you achieved	
What were the benefits of your project?	Our activities have had significant health benefits for our project participants. 6 of us have chronic conditions affecting our mobility but the effort of taking pictures in our wonderful location has eased the depressive mood that can fall on people. As mentioned above we are producing an animation looking at the risks of Type 2 Diabetes. At least 12 of our participants have diabetes or have been informed they are at risk. Our collective awareness raising is beneficial to all.
Who benefited from the project?	The majority of our project participants are women with physical and mental health difficulties who are largely dependent on state benefits.
How many people benefited?	Approximately 60 people have been engaged with the Arts For Health CIC projects over the course of the Parish Council grant funding to date. We anticipate doubling the number of people over the coming “summer” months to engage in our film, animation and “Bear Hunt” projects.
Was the project inclusive? <small>How were marginalised groups (elderly, disabled, young</small>	We have enabled people with mobility issues to access the projects by offering transport to and from activities. We have engaged with people referred to us by the local “Social

<p>people etc) able to participate?</p>	<p>Prescribers” from Elmwood Family Doctors who need rehabilitation due to stroke, mental illness, physical injury.</p> <p>We have encouraged participants to try activities in their immediate localities such as Cinder Hills, New Mill and Cliff Recreation Ground helping to develop a collective community response to engage marginalized residents of the Parish.</p> <p>Our work with accessing digital services has led to 4 people (over 60) gaining “Blue Badges” for their own or their carer’s vehicles. 2 people have been helped to get 50% discount on their road tax due to their PIP assessments. 2 people have been helped with securing more appropriate housing.</p> <p>One person was helped to return to temporary accommodation rather than “sleeping rough”.</p>
<p>Reflecting on climate change, did the project address any aspects of the climate emergency? How?</p>	<p>Yes the project addressed the climate crisis by the purchase of “re-cycled” goods. The camera and lenses were second-hand and therefore no more “air-miles” were incurred. Using second hand equipment means no more natural resources need to be extracted. The lap-top bags are made of 60% recycled materials.</p> <p>When there is a sufficient break in the clouds our solar panel can be used to re-charge the batteries in our cameras and mobile phones Though given the weather so far this year ... not as often as we would like !.</p>
<p>Did you achieve what you were trying to do?</p>	<p>We have achieved a considerable amount since October when we received the Grant. We would have liked to have achieved more by this time. However we have suffered some setbacks due to accidental injuries, worsening chronic conditions and</p>

	<p>bereavements. We had hoped to have at least one film completed by now. We will continue with our activities through the rest of the summer and autumn. We will report back to yourselves as and when we have completed more project work.</p>
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<h2>Finance and Expenditure</h2> <p><i>We ask groups to retain their receipts and invoices, and to keep a record of what they've spent for auditing purposes</i></p>
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Grant awarded	£ 1500
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Date	Description of expenditure	Amount
23/10/23	5x laptop bags 60% recycled materials	£ 90.00
23/10/23	8 x synthesizer gig bags	£ 280.00
24/10/23	3 x used "Prime" camera lenses	£ 425.95
23/10/23	Camera "Shoulder Rig" with Follow Focus	£ 123.99
03/11/23	Used Canon Eos 1200d Digital Camera	£ 124.95
19/01/24 to 06/06/24	16 Hours Digital Technical Support for digital devices accessing government and council services, graphics software and lap-top training	£ 400.00
26/02/24	Duracell Lp-10 Rechargeable battery and charger	£ 19.76
26/02/24	Forclaz 15watt Solar Panel	£ 55.44
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	£20.90 excess shipping costs paid by voluntary contribution	£
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	Total expenditure	£ 1520.09
	Amount of grant remaining (if any)	£ 0

Any amount of the award unspent may have to be returned to the Parish Council

Person completing this form	Gary Collins	Date	07/06/2024
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