

Holme Valley Parish Council

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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	Honley Village Community Trust
Amount of award	£ 500.00
Purpose for which the grant was awarded	Christmas Wreath Making

The Story of Your Project

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

We successfully held a number of Christmas Wreath Workshops at The Village Hall, Honley, in the run up to Christmas. The workshop was led by WooBWoo a local Honley professional florist who guided the group through a number of stages to help them establish the basic techniques to build and create their Christmas Wreath. All material, foliage, flowers and equipment was provided to every individual to carry out the task successfully. We provided everyone with refreshments including festive mince pies, along with background music to create a lovely, friendly, down to earth atmosphere so that everyone felt relaxed and welcomed. Some of the money helped to subsidise the cost of the workshop to ensure we could make the classes as accessible as possible to as many people as possible. The cost per person is £45 however we charged £40 thanks to the grant. Many of the other Christmas Wreath making events held around the area at a similar time are charged at plus £60, we feel these are out of many peoples price range especially as the cost of living continues to increase and Christmas is naturally an expensive time. Our aim was to provide a fun class where people could come together, learn something new and it not cost the earth and I would say we definitely achieved it :-)

The Story of Your Project contd.

What you achieved

What were the benefits of your project?	We wanted to create a workshop open to adults in Honley and the Holme Valley to come together for an evening for fun, creative, sociable evening that was affordable. Christmas Wreath Workshops are increasing in popularity however they are often inaccessible and costly. Our workshops were held by a local professional florist who established a great relationship with the groups, and delivered an easy to understand, fun event enabling everyone to come away with their own creation that they were all proud of.
Who benefited from the project?	Ladies from the Honley and Holme Valley area
How many people benefited?	43
Was the project inclusive? <small>How were marginalised groups (elderly, disabled, young people etc) able to participate?</small>	The workshop was open to everyone. It was heavily supported via Social Media (on our own pages and local community groups), posters around the local shops/library etc and in the Honley Flyer.
Reflecting on climate change, did the project address any aspects of the climate emergency? How?	Where possible foliage was sourced locally. Materials were recycled where possible and flowers were bought in line with what was seasonal and available.
Did you achieve what you were trying to do?	We achieved everything we set out to do and more. Everyone left each work shop having learnt something new, they had a great evening, and left with a wonderful Christmas Wreath that they could hang on their door with pride as they had created it.

Finance and Expenditure

We ask groups to retain their receipts and invoices, and to keep a record of what they've spent for auditing purposes

Grant awarded	£ 500
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Date	Description of expenditure	Amount
	Room Hire (£22.50 ph x 3 x 2 workshops)	£ 135
	Posters, Tickets & Advertising	£ 25
	Refreshments (Prosecco, Juice, Tea/Coffee & mince pies)	£ 125.59
	Supplement of £5 each person (RRP £45)	£ 215
		£
	Total expenditure	£ 500.59
	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	Linda Booth	Date	20th Feb 2024
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