

Area Committee – Neighbourhood CIL Funding Application Form

Title	East Barnet Festival
Raised by (Councillor):	Edith David
Ward:	East Barnet
Member Request:	
Funding Requested (£):	£5000
<p>In consultation with (e.g. named Officer):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is within the parameters outlined in CIL statutory and regulatory definitions • Falls within the CIL Funding Priorities agreed by the relevant Area Committee • Links to priorities in any existing Council policy or strategy and/or whether any insight and intelligence may support the application • The scheme has considered any potential impact on the Council's Strategic portfolio including those considered for strategic CIL funding • The scheme has no ongoing incremental revenue costs to the Council • That the scheme budget is forecast accurately • That the scheme deliverability has been assessed to ensure it can be resourced and successfully implemented • That the scheme outcomes and benefits have been assessed including benefits for the wider community and/or including those with protected characteristics under the Equalities Act 2010 	

And Area Lead Officer (NAME), on (DATE):

Any additional information (please list any documents here to be published with the agenda, or circulated to the Committee):

East Barnet community festival has existed for 25 years, only being cancelled once due to weather and during Covid. It is billed as the largest free festival in North London and has grown in popularity and attendance over the years running over three days due to the endeavours of the trustees and their voluntary efforts to make it happen.

Last year it was cancelled due to lack of funding and this year now hangs in the balance due to the increased costs of all items and contractors associated with the festival. Their main sponsor Hadley Trust will be looking at increasing their contribution next year and has put £15000 into the pot this year. However, there is still a shortfall which is why there is this application for £5000 to contribute to the overall costs of £58000 for the festival to take place this year.

There will also be a charge for the first time for the classic car show on the Sunday which is hugely popular and attracts both individual entrants and car clubs to what they report is the highlight of their year,

The highest increases although prices have increased across the board is for the music stage and the sound tech. **The fund requested would be used to cover the increases in the cost for the Music stage and the sound tech.**

Music has always been an integral part of the festival giving local talent the opportunity to perform. The big top tent hosts an array of various local theatre and dance schools.

Accounts for previous years are available upon request.
Post covid, the festival in 2022 used up previous reserves as already contractor prices had risen and have now risen further.
Some of the items we are obliged to fund are:

- Security
- First Aid
- Bins
- Skips
- Coning of surrounding roads
- Toilets
- Cleaning
- Marquees.
- Tables
- Chairs
- Fire extinguishers
- Park hire
- Stage
- Insurance
- Sound Tech
- Fencing and tape
- Litter picking

Our income sources are:

- Local business sponsorship
- Hadley trust
- Council (£1000)
- Fairground
- Advertising
- Stalls
- Food outlets

- The bar
- The tea tent.

It is therefore hoped that for this year in order for the festival to go ahead on the last weekend in June that the committee will agree to this proposal in order for the much-loved community event can take place

The event is of great community benefit, when so many people are struggling to make ends meet and can't afford to take a holiday . This is an event that can be enjoyed by all attending free of charge and has activities for all ages including the craft tent for young children , a church service in the big top on the Sunday morning and all the music and car displays and dog show to see free of charge.