

BELPER TOWN COUNCIL

APPLICATION FOR SMALL ONE OFF GRANT

1. NAME of ORGANISATION: Boom Belper LLP (trading as Boom Magazine)

2. NAME and ADDRESS of CONTACT:



3. POSITION in ORGANISATION: Director and Co-Editor

4. TELEPHONE Daytime: [REDACTED] Evenings: [REDACTED]

5. EMAIL: [REDACTED]

6. Briefly Outline what the current activities of your group are:

We publish Boom Magazine, a bi-monthly magazine for families. We have also published a successful book of "Family Walks for Little Legs: Belper, Derbyshire and Beyond".

We promote and publicise a plethora of local businesses and events and provide local families with a trusted source of information on topics such as: parenting, child health, activities and entertainment. We are keen supporters of aspiring writers and editors and offer a variety of ways that young people can gain valuable work experience and/or internships.

In 2020 we published our first book, to support families who wanted to be active with their children. Within a few months we sold 1,000 copies and have re-printed the book. We are proud that we have encouraged at least 1,000 families in the local area to get active and enjoy all the wonderful greenspace that our beautiful town has to offer.

Please see www.boommagazine.co.uk for more information.

7. How many people are currently involved in the running of your group?

Employed full-time worker	<input type="text"/>	Volunteers	<input type="text" value="3"/>
Employed part-time worker	<input type="text" value="2"/>	Members	<input type="text"/>
Support or external worker	<input type="text" value="1"/>	Informal helpers	<input type="text"/>
Committee Members	<input type="text"/>	Others (please state)	

8. What will the grant be used for, how are you going to do it and where?

In view of the growing number of published and aspiring authors in our area, we will be organising: the 1st Annual Belper Children's Literature Festival on 2 April 2022. To our knowledge it is the first of its kind in our town. We will be hosting the event in the lovely new outdoor space near the library, and they have given us verbal approval for using the space for this purpose.

The festival will showcase local children's writers and offer an opportunity for people to meet outdoors and connect with the lively and growing children's literary culture in our town. Local authors Fliss Goldsmith, Sophie Cartmell and Bernard Mensah all write books that focus on inclusion, acceptance and a broad-minded approach to parenting and life. We are proud to be associated with these exceptional writers and proud to be promoting them, around Belper and beyond.

9. When will the project start: October 2021 (promotions will start immediately)

10. When will the project finish: April 2022 (the event will be held on 2 April 2022)

11. Where will your project take place – address and postcode, if different from the contact address given:

It will take place outside the new Belper Library, on the new slabbed square.

12. How will you advertise the project and encourage involvement?

We have active social media platforms on Facebook and Instagram. We will advertise in print when we publish our magazine every two months and we will employ a local social media expert to assist us with the planning and implementation of our digital marketing strategy.

13. Do you work with any other groups or agencies? If so, please outline how you work together:

We work closely with a large variety of groups and agencies including: local businesses, families, baby and toddler groups and classes, and also the local primary schools. In the five years we have been in business, we have employed or worked with five Derby University students, to further their work experience; four of these worked with us through the Driven Programme at Derby University. We regularly seek and publish advice for parents in our magazine from local professionals and experts, such as: psychologists, podiatrists, occupational therapists and speech and language therapists. We are passionate about promoting equal opportunities and Pride in Belper.

Following the success of our first book, we have set up a sister business: Boom House Books Ltd., which will aim to publish and promote writers who focus on inclusivity and children's health and wellbeing. We expect that the Belper Children's Literary Festival will be an annual event that will bring people together and celebrate our local writers and their talent.

14. How do you know that the project is needed?

It is not easy breaking into the market as a children's writer, whether they are self-published or are seeking the backing of a publishing house. We have found that nurturing the talent and enthusiasm of others, brings rewards to all. We feel that the time is ripe to focus on our local talent and raise them up, in and around Belper.

Children's literature is an important aspect at introducing new concepts and people to children. Therefore, it is vital to encourage children's literature authors that come from diverse backgrounds and in Belper we have authors of colour, authors with disabilities, authors from lower socioeconomic backgrounds, who struggle to be heard in traditional children's publishing, which is currently becoming more and more dominated by celebrities. To protect the diversity of children's publishing and fight the homogenisation of the industry, it is essential for local people and organisations to support and promote our local talent.

We expect that children and families will enjoy this spring-time event and it will give them an opportunity to safely connect with others, after such an isolating two years.

15. How many people will benefit from the project/grant?

At least five local authors and illustrators will be present at the festival. Approximately five groups or businesses that serve local families, such as Twistin Tots, will be offered space to promote their activities, products and services. We look forward to working with and promoting our new library, throughout the planning and implementation of this event.

This grant will enable us to hire a local person as a digital marketing professional to assist with the promotions.

We also hope that the visitors to the festival will benefit from this project, particularly the children who will be able to discover new, inclusive books that expand their experiences along with activities that will promote reading and books, igniting a passion that will remain for their entire lives.

16. Who will benefit from the project/grant in Belper Parish?

Any local family in the Belper Parish will benefit, as the event will be free for all to attend.

17. How will they benefit from the project/grant?

Attending the Belper Children's Literary Festival will engage children and families with local authors, businesses and services, and with other children and families. There are only winners, when books are promoted to children, especially when those books are known for their focus on inclusion and positive living.

18. Describe how the project/grant will benefit people with a Disabling Condition?

The event will be completely accessible to all, both physically due to the open space we are using, and financially as there will be no cost to attend. Fliss Goldsmith will be promoting her newest book "The Diffability Bunch" which showcases the ways in which our "diffabilities" are part of us and connect us together. This will be particularly important for

children who have disabilities, giving them representation and making them feel included in society. We expect that other like-minded authors and illustrators will want to be a part of this event, thus further promoting acceptance and inclusion for all.

19.A) Please confirm that you have carried out the Accessibility Training referred to in Section 9 of the notes below

I confirm that I, Sascha Landskron, have completed the Accessibility Training on 28 Sept 2021.

B) Please confirm you have completed the Questionnaire referred to in Section 9 of the notes below

I confirm that I, Sascha Landskron, completed the Questionnaire on 28 Sept 2021.

20. How will you show that your project/grant has made a difference?

It will be a pleasure to collect and report back on the sales and customer engagement of each stall-holder. We would also like to survey attendees as to their knowledge of local authors and suggestions for future Literary Festivals. We will compile this data and include it in a post-event report to the Belper Town Council.

21. How much will your project cost in total? : £ 2,673.00

22. How much do you require from Belper Town Council? : £ 1,000.00

23. Where will the rest of your funding come from – if applicable?

The remaining £ 1,673.00 will be funded from Boom Magazine and Boom House Books.

Please provide breakdown of items required:

Item Description (inclusive of VAT)	Quote Y/N	Cost £
Digital Marketing (£300/month x 5 months)	Y	£1,500
Five 3x3 Gazebo rentals or purchases (whichever is cheapest). Estimated price £60 per Gazebo based on current online prices.	N	£300
Event insurance (includes Insurance Premium Tax)	Y	£263
First aide services at the event	Y	£100
Printing, decorations, table/equipment rentals.	N	£510
	Total	£2,610

24. How is your project responding to climate change and the global climate emergency?

Boom Magazine is a passionate supporter of the Green Movement. We dedicated a whole magazine issue to eco-themed concerns (Issue 13 in January 2020) and we will be publishing another eco-themed issue again in March 2022. All of our magazine's paper products are designed in Belper and printed in the UK.

Promoting books to children is a more ecological alternative to screens (TV and video games) and allows children and families to lower their carbon footprint by engaging in reading, an activity that uses less electricity than screens.

All waste created from the event will be properly sorted into the correct bins to facilitate recycling.

Transition Belper and Hidden Potential Recycling will be offered stalls at the event to promote their important work.

25. How long has the organisation existed and how many Belper residents does it serve:

We started Boom Magazine 5 years ago in May 2016 and it serves all the families in the Belper area. We focus on infants, pre-schoolers and reception aged children, primarily. We expect that each issue reaches at least 5,000 local families.

26. Explain why this project cannot be funded from your own funds:

Boom Magazine is an important local business, because we provide a much-loved resource for families. We don't make much profit, and in order to properly promote this event and ensure that it is well-set up and managed, we will require additional funds. We have the connections and enthusiasm to make this project happen, but we lack the excess funds to create this event all on our own, and this is why we are seeking financial assistance from the Belper Town Council.

27. Please state your group/organisation finances for the last financial year:

Accounts date 1 April 2020 - 31 March 2021

Total (gross) income - £ 14,657.67

Total expenditure - £ 10,358.78

Surplus/deficit at year end - £ 4,298.89

Unrestricted Savings/Reserves - £ 0

Restricted Savings/Reserves? - £ 2,000

If you have restricted reserves – please explain what they are restricted for:

We took out a COVID loan in the last financial year worth £2,000 and in October 2021 we need to pay it back or will have interest due.

Declaration:

I declare that I have the authority of the organisation to apply for the grant and that the information contained herein is accurate.

Enclosed:

Copy of the latest published ACCOUNTS: YES – The 2019-2020 accounts are enclosed/attached

Copy of the organisations CONSTITUTION: NO – we are an LLP and do not have a constitution.

The organisation will, if requested by Belper Town Council, produce evidence to show that the grant has been spent on the declared project.

Signed



Dated 29/09/2021

- 1 Belper Town Council budgets a set amount each financial year to give as grant aid in support of local initiatives. To enable the Council to maintain proper management of its budget no application will receive more than is requested in each application.
- 2 The application form must be completed **IN FULL** giving as much detail about the proposal as possible. A separate sheet may be attached.
- 3 Organisations applying should attach to the application form a copy of their latest balance sheet and profit and loss together with a copy of their constitution.
- 4 **Completed application forms should be returned to the Town Clerk, Belper Town Council, The Butts, Belper, Derbyshire DE56 1HX and emailed to clerk@belpertowncouncil.gov.uk.**
- 5 The Council's Clerk has delegated power to review applications, request further information, give advice and refuse applications that do not meet the Grant Aid criteria. The Clerk will refer applications to the Council's Full Council meetings on a monthly basis for decision. Applicants will be notified of the date and time of the meeting and be given an opportunity to address the meeting on the application. The decision will normally be made known to the Applicant in writing within seven days.
- 6 Grants will only be considered for projects and proposals which will enhance the quality of life of the people served by the Town Council. Applications from bodies outside the town boundaries may be granted where the proposals show a distinct benefit to the residents of the town.
- 7 Grants will normally only be considered for new / start up organisations and/or projects and/or one off events that meet one or more of the following criteria: The organisation/project or event
 - goes some way to filling in gaps in existing provision
 - is innovative and exciting
 - considers the needs of disadvantaged individuals and groups
 - takes positive steps to promote a healthy environment
 - promotes equality of opportunity and access for all
- 8 Grants will be considered for organisations/projects and events that can either show match funding is available, either through own resources or other grants and that the organisation/project/event is viable without further recourse to Council funding.
- 9 Belper Town Council has produced an Accessibility Strategy and agreed to apply it to every area of its works and the services it provides. Working in partnership with Accessible Belper we want to encourage all organisations in the Town to appraise what they do and consider how accessibility can be improved in relation to people who have disabling conditions. To help you in this process we would ask that you:
Carry out the training – <http://www.accessiblebelper.org/video.html>
Complete the business questionnaire – <http://www.accessiblebelper.org/questions.html>
- 10 Please complete the SLA grant form if your application is for one of the below:
 - fund general running costs of organisations
 - support applications from organisations which then go on to make donations to other charities and groups
 - give more than one grant in any one year to the same organisation
 - give a grant to an organisation that receives an annual grant (SLA) from the Council
- 11 **All successful projects MUST recognise Belper Town Council's funding in their literature and publicity and should also keep the Council informed of the development of the**

project funded by the Council. A timescale for reporting back will be given in the funding agreement.

**BOOM BELPER LLP
ABRIDGED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2020**

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Boom Belper llp
Abridged Financial Statements
For The Year Ended 31 March 2020

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Abridged Balance Sheet
As at 31 March 2020

Registered number: OC412524

Notes	2020		2019	
	£	£	£	£
CURRENT ASSETS				
Debtors	1,455		366	
Cash at bank and in hand	667		1,670	
	<u>2,122</u>		<u>2,036</u>	
Creditors: Amounts Falling Due Within One Year	<u>(342)</u>		<u>(330)</u>	
NET CURRENT ASSETS (LIABILITIES)		<u>1,780</u>		<u>1,706</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>1,780</u>		<u>1,706</u>
NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO MEMBERS		<u>1,780</u>		<u>1,706</u>
REPRESENTED BY:				
Loans and other debts due to members within one year				
Other amounts	<u>1,780</u>		<u>1,706</u>	
		<u>1,780</u>		<u>1,706</u>
		<u>1,780</u>		<u>1,706</u>
TOTAL MEMBERS' INTEREST				
Amounts due from members		(1,455)		(366)
Loans and other debts due to members within one year		<u>1,780</u>		<u>1,706</u>
		<u>325</u>		<u>1,340</u>

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Abridged Balance Sheet (continued)
As at 31 March 2020

For the year ending 31 March 2020 the LLP was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 (as applied by the Limited Liability Partnerships (Accounts and Audit) (Application of Companies Act 2006) Regulations 2008 applicable to LLP's subject to the small LLPs regime.)

Member's responsibilities:

- The members acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act (as applied to LLPs) with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.
- These accounts have been prepared and delivered in accordance with the provisions applicable to LLPs subject to the small LLPs regime.
- The LLP has taken advantage of section 444(1) of the Companies Act 2006 and opted not to deliver to the registrar a copy of the LLP's Profit and Loss Account.
- All of the LLP's members have consented to the preparation of an Abridged Balance Sheet for the year end 31 March 2020 in accordance with section 444(2A) of the Companies Act 2006.

On behalf of the members

Ms Sascha Landskron

Designated Member

28th January 2021

Mrs Joanna Leigh

Designated Member

The notes on page 3 form part of these financial statements.

Boom Belper llp
Notes to the Abridged Financial Statements
For The Year Ended 31 March 2020

1. Accounting Policies

1.1. Basis of Preparation of Financial Statements

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with applicable United Kingdom accounting standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 for small limited liability partnerships regime - The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102), The Statement of Recommended Practice 'Accounting by Limited Liability Partnerships' issued in December 2018 (SORP) and the Companies Act 2006 (as applied to LLPs).

The financial statements are prepared in sterling which is the functional currency of the LLP.

1.2. Turnover

Turnover is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable, excluding discounts, rebates, value added tax and other sales taxes.

2. Average Number of Employees

Average number of employees, including members, during the year was as follows: 2 (2019: 3)

3. General Information

Boom Belper llp is a limited liability partnership, incorporated in England & Wales, registered number OC412524 . The Registered Office is 2 Mill View, Belper, Derbyshire, DE56 1FE.

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