

COMMUNITY GRANTS FUND APPLICATION

Please answer all questions which are relevant to your organisation – failure to do so may result in a delay in the determination of your application

PROJECT (In no more than 25 words)	Equipping ground floor disabled toilet and baby changing facilities	GRANT AMOUNT REQUESTED	£1,350
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Contact Details

Q1 Name of organisation making application:

Old Shrewsbury Bowling Club.....

Name of contact for this application

Title: ...Mrs..... First Name:Lesley..... Surname: ...Maydew.....

Position held in the organisation: [REDACTED]

Contact Address, including full postcode:

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

..... Postcode: [REDACTED]

Contact Telephone Number: [REDACTED]

Email address: [REDACTED]

About your organisation

Q2 What type of organisation are you?

Tick (✓) relevant category:

Registered Charity: () Charity Registration Number

Voluntary Organisation: ()
Company Limited by Guarantee: () Company Number

Other – Please specify:Crown Green Bowling Club.....

Q3 When was your organisation established?

.....1906.....

Q4 Briefly describe your organisation.

Describe your organisation, including how many members/users you have, whether there is a subscription fee and the usual activities/services you provide.

If you are a new organisation, describe the services/activities you plan to provide.

We are a Crown Green bowling club based in the centre of Shrewsbury. Not only do we provide competitive bowling within various leagues in Shrewsbury and the vicinity, but we also host several County competitions as well as cup finals which involve clubs from around Shropshire, and occasionally from other clubs within the UK. We also provide 'social bowling' primarily aim at older people, although anyone who is available to play on Tuesday and Friday afternoons are more than welcome to come along. This year we are also providing facilities for a U3A group who have also joined our club. We have membership of approximately 145 who paid an annual membership subscription. Apart from bowling we host social functions for our members, especially during the winter months enabling our members to keep in contact with one another, important for so many who are widows/widowers/single

Q5 If you are a subsidiary of a larger organisation, please state which one.

.....British Crown Green Bowling Association.....

Q6 Does your organisation have an agreed Constitution or Memorandum of Association?

Please state which and attach a copy: ...Constitution.....

Q7 What is your primary source of funding?

Annual subscriptions and social events

Details of the project or activity you are planning

Q8 Describe the projects/activity you plan to use this grant for.

i. Try to be specific about what you will do and how you will do it.

To update and provide facilities for disabled and young children. We already have installed a disabled toilet, grab rails and sink. We want to install a two way door lock, a disabled alarm system with a pull cord, adjustment to the current light switch to a pull cord, repaint the walls, install removable flooring, install a baby changing fold down unit together with a cupboard for accessories. Most of the above has to be moveable as being within 50 metres of the River Severn, our ground floor floods several times each year.

ii. Please state how you have identified this need and how the project will benefit the people of Shrewsbury, together with the estimated time span. If you are seeking continuation funding for this project, please provide evidence for this continued need.

As mentioned the club hosts a variety of matches and events and two years ago we recognised that we had no facilities on the ground floor, all toilets being on the first floor. We raised funds for the initial installation of disabled toilets, grab rails and sink, however to comply with health and safety we need to improve the facility especially with the alarm system, door handle and light pull cord.

We also saw the need to provide facilities for baby changing when we saw one of our visitors changing a baby on the floor of the ladies toilets.

The improvements will be of benefit to all of our members, our visitors from around the county and for some, who when parking in St Julian's car park, ask to use our facilities when we are open (most days and evenings).

iii. How many people from the Parish of Shrewsbury do you expect to benefit directly from your project or activity?

300+

iv. Please indicate which of the key pillars of the Council's Vision are met and how:

Pillars	Met	How
Building Resilient Communities For Shrewsbury	Yes	Providing a healthy and safe environment for disabled people and young children while encouraging them or their parents/carers to participate in our clubs activities
Supporting Shrewsbury Residents To Live Active And Healthy Lives Through The Provision Of Quality Services	Yes	Providing a bowling club with all inclusive facilities enabling all ages to participate in the game of bowls and giving support, encouragement and a sense of belonging to all, especially the more elderly of our community.
Preserving Shrewsbury's Heritage	Yes	As a bowling club founded in 1906, we continue to provide a club with increasing membership (over 20 new members in 2025) when so many bowling clubs are closing around the country.
Creating A Greener And Better-connected Shrewsbury		
Maintaining A Sustainable, Resilient And Efficient Organisation	Yes	Being so close to the River Severn and the severity of the flooding we experience every year, we have to be resilient as after every flood we have a major clean up carried out by our volunteers
Taking Positive Action To Tackle Climate Change	Yes	Climate change has made flooding, what use to be once every ten years or so an annual event and over the past five years on more than one occasion – 2022/3 more than seven feet of water/pollution flooding our ground floor and greens.

Q9 What criteria will be used to measure the success of the project and how many people from the Parish of Shrewsbury do you expect to benefit from it?

The success of our project will be our ability to let people know that we have disabled and child changing facilities on our ground floor which further enhances the reputation of our club. Some of our elderly members although not deemed to be disabled, will be able

to use the facility without the need of negotiating the stairs to access toilets on the first floor.

As we have approximately 145 members currently, we are planning on holding events in 2026 to encourage even more people to join our club and hopefully we want to have sessions during the summer school holidays to encourage young people to come and enjoy bowling. We already have connections with a local scout group.

As mentioned, we also host league matches where teams from around Shrewsbury and the surrounding area come and compete on a weekly basis, but we also host some of the County matches, where there may be teams from elsewhere in the county who belong to other leagues, as well as visitors and supporters. I think that it is fair to estimate that the amount of people who come to our club is probably well over 300. And this number does not include those people who have parked in St Julian's car park and need the toilet.....

Health & Safety

Q10 What, if any, special safety issues are related to your project/activity?

Please provide the following information:

- i. What kind of insurance does your organisation have?

Buildings and Contents, public liability, employers liability and product liability

- ii. Do the leaders have the relevant qualifications and/or experience?

We have a Class 1 bowling coach; most of our volunteers are experienced in their various fields.

We two safeguarding officers at the moment and who currently hold DBS checks and in the process of recruiting two more.

We are running Food | Hygiene and First Aid courses in the New Year

- iii. What policies does your organisation have in place (i.e. Health and Safety, Child Protection/Safeguarding, working with vulnerable adults, Equal Opportunities, CRB Checks etc.)? *You may be required to submit copies of your policies.*

Health & Safety policy, Child Protection and Child Safeguarding policies, various policies as required by British Crown Green Bowling Association. We are currently reassessing our policies and implementing new ones to comply with new legislation.

Funding of your project

Q11 Previous Applications

If you have applied for and received funding from Shrewsbury Town Council in the past please provide details of the amount, the year and briefly what the funding was used for.

Year	Project Description	Award £

Q12 Project Funding

Please provide details of the amount of funding you need for your project and give us a breakdown of what the money is for (please enclose any relevant estimates or details).

Tell us the amount of grant requested £...1,350..... and provide a detailed breakdown as to how you have reached this figure

Project Expenditure Please list all items of expenditure for your project	Amount of Project
Stainless steel disabled alarm system with pull cord	£ 115.00
Baby changing fold down unit	£305.00
Bathroom cupboard	£140.00
Paint	£100.00
Two way toilet door lock/light pull cord	£125.00
Floor covering	£300.00
Labour	£400.00
Total	£1,485.00
Project Income Please list how the project shall be funded	
Club funds	£135.00

What is the difference? This should be the same as the amount of Grant you are applying for	£1,350.00

Q13 Covering a Shortfall

If the Town Council makes an offer less than the amount requested, how will that impact on the Project and how will you cover the shortfall?

We will hope to continue the project, but probably not in the timescale hoped for. Funds will be raised during 2026 via our social events and increasing our membership

Q14 Sustainability

What plans do you have in place to ensure that your organisation becomes more sustainable and less reliant on grant funding, particularly from the Town Council?

Plans are ongoing for increasing social events, and our membership. We have already funded in 2025, a set of new metal stairs to the first floor (increasing safety) as previous wooden staircase was damaged by annual floodwater, at a cost of £3,300. 2025/26 will see us further fund raise for replacing the second wooden staircase (needed as secondary fire escape) a further £3,300. A metal container, located off-site, was purchased at a cost of £1,000 for storing green equipment, chairs, benches and all other items normally located in the ground floor during the bowling season, preventing potential flood damage during the winter.

We are always prudent by keeping a contingency budget for maintenance costs on our mowers and greens, around £3,500 approximately.

Your Accounts

Q15 Please provide the following details from your most recent annual accounts

Total Income	£35,684.33
Less Total Expenditure	£33,994.31
Surplus / Loss	£1,690.02

Savings (Reserves, Cash, Investments)

£11,134.00

Please provide a copy of your most recent annual audited accounts or, in the case of newly established organisations, the projected income and expenditure for the next twelve months.

You need to include these documents with this application.

Account Details

Q16 Please provide your bank or building society account details

You can only apply for grant if you have a bank/building society account in the name of your organisation. We will only pay grants into an account which requires at least two people to sign each cheque or withdrawal. **These people should not be related.**

Account name: ...

Sort Code: Account Number:

Bank/building society name:

Bank/building society address.....

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Who are the signatories and what position do they hold in your organisation?

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|---|------|-------|----------|--------------------------|
| 1 | Name | | Position | Treasurer..... |
| 2 | Name | | Position | Secretary..... |
| 3 | Name | | Position | Assistant secretary..... |
| 4 | Name | | Position | Chairman |

Any Other Information

Q17 Any other information which you consider to be relevant to your application.

.....We are a thriving bowling club with a well balanced and forward thinking committee and we are lucky enough to have a band of very enthusiastic volunteers who maintain our clubhouse, greens and grounds to a high standard, a comments that is often made by

many who come to our club, whether members or other visitors.

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Declarations

Q18 Declaration

Please give details of a senior member of your organisation.

For example, this may be your Chairperson, Treasurer or Secretary. They must read the application and sign below. **(This must not be the main contact name in Q1).**

I confirm, on behalf of ...Old Shrewsbury Bowling Club

That I am authorised to sign this declaration on its behalf, and that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, all replies are true and accurate.

I confirm that I have read the Terms and Conditions set out in the Notes which accompanied this application and further confirm that this application is made on the basis that if successful, the organisation will be bound to use the grant only for the purpose specified in this application, and will have to comply with those Terms and Conditions and any others which the Council might attach to the Grant.

Post held in organisation:Assistant Secretary.....

Title: [REDACTED] First Name: [REDACTED] Surname: [REDACTED]

Organisation address:

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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Postcode: ... [REDACTED]

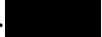
Telephone: ... [REDACTED]

Signed: ... [REDACTED] Date:9th November 2025.....

Q19 Signature of Person Completing the Application

This must be the signature of the person named in Q1 as the main contact and **not be the same person who has signed in Q18**

I confirm that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, all the information in this application form is true and correct. I understand that you may ask for additional information at any stage of the application process.

Signed: Date: 9th November 2025.....

Checklist

1. Have you answered every question? ☐
2. Have all signatures been completed? ☐
3. Have you included a copy of your constitution? ☐
4. Have you included a copy of your most recent audited accounts? ☐
5. Please state any supporting documents you are submitting: ☐

Please return your completed application form to:

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