

2022/2023 GRANT APPLICATION

Name of Organisation: Kimpton Pre-School Ltd Applicant's name and address: Kimpton preschool, Linden Lodge, High Street, Kimpton, SG4 8RB Contact telephone number: 07889 657815 Applicants email address: chairman@kimptonpreschool.co.uk Location of Organisation: Kimpton High Street Nature of activity of Organisation and how it benefits the residents of Kimpton, Peter's Green and/or Blackmore End: Kimpton Preschool is a unique community asset providing the only early years educational facility for children from the age of 2. Rated by OFSTED as 'Good' at our last inspection in 2022, the Inspectors were hugely impressed by the range of activities, support and engagement that the Preschool staff provide with no external funding Membership number, if relevant, and % of those living in the parish: Preschool children are 100% living within the parish Purpose for which grant will be used: The Preschool building is owned and leased to the Preschool by Hertfordshire County Council, however the building repairs and maintenance are entirely funded by the Preschool itself. The Preschool works hard to fundraise year round, and is

Preschool by Hertfordshire County Council, however the building repairs and maintenance are entirely funded by the Preschool itself. The Preschool works hard to fundraise year round, and is hugely appreciative of funds that it receives through May Festival and Parish Council support via the Christmas Market; however the majority of this money is absorbed by running costs, staffing etc. and does not give us enough to ensure that the building is at its best, both from an aesthetic and from a health and safety perspective.

We have undertaken a considerable amount of painting work through voluntary help but we are in desperate need to undertake repairs due to water damage from a leak, and aging flooring that has been repaired multiple times, but now requires replacement.

We have the fortunate position of being able to call upon skilled labour for most things, but plumbing, material and electrical repairs must be done professionally, and this is why we are requesting financial support at this time which will be combined with the money we recently raised at our own fundraising event.



Amount of grant requested: £ 2000 Total cost of project: £3850

Please give details of grants applied for or received from other bodies:

May Festival (£800) used to purchase a new climbing frame and slide Kimpton Parish Council (£1300) Used to pay for our electrical safety testing and urgent electrical repairs to internal and external lighting

Any other information that would help Kimpton Parish Council in considering your application:

The Preschool is an essential community asset, located in a purpose built site with a wonderful indoor and outdoor space for the youngest children in the Parish, starting their learning journey in a safe and nurturing environment. The Preschool Management Committee is made up of volunteers that ensure all business aspects of the Preschool are overseen and managed who work endlessly to raise fund, market and advertise the Preschool across the Parish and beyond. The Preschool is considered to be a going concern whilst recognising that the pupil numbers are low (a situation shared with all early years settings, including the Primary School)

Do any of your members wish to address Kimpton Parish Council at the meeting when donations are considered: I would be happy to make representation as required (Mike Newman – Chair)

A copy of the last two year's full and detailed up-to-date accounts should accompany this application, where appropriate.

How do you intend to maintain the financial viability of the organisations?

The Preschool is well regarded and we are liaising closely with the Primary School to look at all opportunities to increase the hours that we can provide children in order to appeal to parents that require wraparound care who currently cannot use our provision – HCC have refused to extend our operational hours despite multiple requests, and so we are actively looking at alternatives – discussions are progressing well.

Name: Mike Newman

Signature:

Position Held: Chair – Preschool Management Committee

Date: 17/2/23



If awarded, Kimpton Parish Council will transfer the grant funding into the named bank account. Please provide the following information:	
Account Name:Kimpron Pre-School Ltd (details are on file)	
Bank account no:	Sort code:
Please return the completed form to: Mrs C Helmn, Parish Clerk <u>clerk@kimptonpc.org.uk</u> Parish Room, Kimpton Memorial Hall, Hall Lane, Kimpton, Herts SG4 8RD	
For Kimpton Parish Council use only: Date Received:	
Date Acknowledged:	
Date of Meeting:	
Minute:	
Payment Made:	