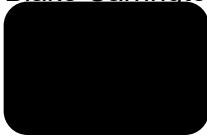



## MELBOURN PARISH COUNCIL

## Application for Grant for Voluntary Organisations

Please note that this application will not be considered unless it is accompanied by a copy of the latest set of annual accounts showing the organisations income, expenditure and level of balances.

If the organisation does not prepare annual accounts, copies of the bank statements covering the previous six months must be enclosed.

1.	Name of Organisation	Melbourn Dynamos FC
2.	Name, Address, and Status of Contact	Blake Carrington  Chair
3.	Telephone Number of Contact	
4.	Is the organisation a Registered Charity?	No
5.	Amount of grant requested	£15,489.55 Please see attached breakdown.
6.	For what purpose of project is the grant requested.	Team wear, First Aid kit, Covid PPE, MHFA Courses, Ground Maintenance, training equipment, Coach and Player development material and Level 1 coaching courses.
7.	What will be the total cost of the above project?	£17,003.10 (£16,538.70 discounted)
8.	If the total cost of the project is more than the grant, how will the residue be financed?	N/A

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9.	Have you applied for grant for the same project to another organisation?  If so, which organisation and how much?	No.
10.	Are 3 <sup>rd</sup> parties necessary to deliver your project? If yes, please list them.	Yes.
11.	Who will benefit from the project?	327 (Please see attached breakdown)
12.	Approximately how many of those who will benefit are parishioners?	150

You may use a separate sheet of paper to submit any other information which you feel will support this application, please keep this information to 1 page.

Have you previously received a grant from MPC? Yes

If yes, please give date. Grant Year 2019 and 2020.

If yes and within the previous 12 months, please confirm that the grant has been spent and provide a brief report.

Signed.....B Carrington.....Date...15/04/2021.....

**3<sup>rd</sup> parties**

I/we have been fully consulted about the role attributed to us in this proposal and agree to carry it out.

Name: J Willmott

Organisation: Herts and Cambs Grounds Maintenance.

Name:

Organisation: Euro Soccer Company, 14 Nottingham Road, Borrowash, Derby, DE723FL

Name: Susie Shaw

Organisation: Citrine Wellness

Name:

Organisation: The Coaching Manual



Melbourn Parish Council  
The Hub  
Melbourn



15/04/2021

**Re: Report for the Annual Parish Meeting: Community Grant Funding 2019 and 2020.**

Sir,

Melbourn Dynamos FC have been very grateful to receive Community Grant funding in 2019 and 2020.

In 2019 we were awarded £2000 which covered all costs relating to the start-up of a number of new coaches. This covered attendance at the obligatory FA Level 1 coaching course and also paid for their team wear kits and also all of their required training aids.

In 2020 we were awarded £6677.33 which paid for two sets of new, and much needed, aluminium goals and various items of kit including team wear, balls, Covid PPE and first aid kits.

These awards have represented a significant contribution to our ever increasing ongoing costs, and have assisted the Club in being able to be more inclusive to anybody who may wish to join the Club. The Club has always taken pride in being able to support families and players who may not have otherwise been able to do so were it not for the Club subsidising fees, either partly or wholly.

The money 'saved' by the award of the 2020 grant, coupled with the £5k Football Foundation's Pitch Presentation Fund allowed the Club to invest in crucial grounds maintenance, this being in addition to the usual investment by the Club over and above Parish spending in this area.

This investment and commitment obviously benefits the Club and its' members but it also enables huge benefits for other users, such as residents and visitors, who enjoy our green spaces.

Regards,

Blake Carrington  
Chair MDFC



# Herts & Cambs Ground Maintenance Ltd

Commercial Landscape Maintenance Solutions



Blake Carrington  
Melbourn Dynamos Football Club  
Frog End  
Shepreth  
Royston  
Herts  
SG8

Dear Blake,

As requested, we are quoting for the following as requested

1/ Feed with -13-20 to encourage a good root system, improving the grass generally  
Back Field **£360.00 x Vat**  
Old Rec **£140.00 x Vat**  
Main Rec **£360.00 x Vat**

3/ Heavy flat roll  
Back Field **£260.00 x Vat**  
Old Rec **£110.00 x Vat**  
Main Rec **£260.00 x Vat**

4/ spike areas  
Back Field **£260.00 x Vat**  
Old Rec **£110.00 x Vat**  
Main Rec **£260.00 x Vat**

5/ Verti Drain Pitches  
Back Field **£700.00 x Vat**  
Old Rec **£350.00 x Vat**  
Main Rec **£700.00 x Vat**

Should you go ahead with some of this I would like to offer a 10% discount to the above amounts in support of Melbourn Dynamos as it's a primarily a kids Club, this would represent a saving of **£464.40**.

I hope this all makes sense to you, if you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me

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Kind Regards

Justin Willmott (Director)

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# Euro Soccer Company

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## QUOTE

Jordan:-

15/04/2021

**CHEQUES PAYABLE TO:** M3C SPORTS SUPPLIES LIMITED / **BACS DETAILS:** S/C: 09-06-66 ACCT: 42560953

**Invoice:** Melbourn Dynamos  
**Order Ref:** QUOTE FOR POTENTIAL GRANT

### DELIVERY

Melbourn  
Royston

**Contact:** Karen Alisson



Quantity	Item Description	Item Price VAT exempt	Item Price VAT @ 20%	Line Price
220	Mitre Calcio Footballs		£ 6.75	£ 1,485.00
50	Mitre Ultimatch Plus Footballs		£ 17.95	£ 897.50
102	Adult Home shirts with badge and number - 42/44		£ 18.25	£ 1,861.50
102	Adult Home shorts - 38/40		£ 7.50	£ 765.00
220	Mitre Division Tec Socks		£ 5.25	£ 1,155.00
8	Club Polo Shirts - with club badge		£ 16.00	£ 128.00
8	Club Tracksuit Jackets - with club badge		£ 22.00	£ 176.00
8	Club Tracksuit Bottoms		£ 13.50	£ 108.00
8	Club Padded Coats - with club badge		£ 41.75	£ 334.00
8	Club Shorts for coaches		£ 7.50	£ 60.00
8	Junior Socks	£ 4.90		£ 39.20

### QUOTATION NOTES

**inc. VAT TOTAL: £ 7,009.20**

R. Chest:  
L. Leg:

Non VAT items: £ 39.20  
VAT inclusive items: £ 6,970.00  
VAT amount included: £ 1,161.67



## Melbourn Dynamos FC Summary History and Context

Melbourn Dynamos FC was founded in 2003, reaching FA Charter Standard Accreditation in 2009. The Club is one of a small number of FA Community Hub Clubs, and in 2020 we were awarded the first Cambridgeshire FA 'Pledge Project' Certificate of Recognition for our support of disability football. We have also been awarded the Cambridgeshire FA Project of the Year for our support and involvement with the Papworth Trust OWLS teams which encourages, trains and arranges fixtures for adults with a disability in partnership with Cambs FA.

Since 2003 Melbourn Dynamos FC has developed into a very significant community-centric organisation. Today we remain a key part of the community, not just in Melbourn but across local villages too, and are a focus for a very large number of residents, both the young and not so young.

The benefits to football and to sport more generally are obvious. During the last season the Club attracted 330 players, organised into 24 teams and training groups. The youth players (U18) represent 260 of that number and are mostly from either Melbourn or Meldreth.

The scope of football opportunities being delivered is extremely wide and currently includes:

- FA Wildcats (girls ages ranging 5 -11);
- Dynamites (for anyone ages 3 -6);
- Jaguars (those with disability or special educational needs ages 5 -11);
- At least one or more team in all the age groups Under 7 to Under 18;
- A Sundays Men's Team (possibly two next season);
- Under 14 Girls Team;
- Under 10 Girls Training Group;
- OWLS Disability Teams in conjunction with the Papworth Trust; and
- A Just Play group of approximately 25 local male adults who play each Monday evening.

Throughout this season we have continued to operate when lockdown allowed. We have been able to implement COVID secure training sessions and fixtures alongside numerous zoom calls amongst our vast army of volunteers – now numbering in excess of 70.

The benefits to adult participation on village life are also significant. Melbourn Dynamos attracts and currently trains 48 coaches, all giving huge amounts of time to football as a sport but also to the health and welfare of the hundreds of young people they work alongside.

The Club also have a number of other helpers who are DBS checked and who have completed a minimum safeguarding training. The Club ensures that, not only are the coaches formally proficient in the sport itself, all are Emergency Aid trained and 11 are also Mental Health First Aiders.

The impact of lockdown and, in some instances 'long Covid' appears to manifest itself in depression and anxiety. The benefits of sport in providing techniques to combat these illnesses are well documented.

We hope to be able to fund ten more coaches and volunteers to receive this vital training and our partner, Susie Shaw of 'mycitrinewellness' based in Meldreth, has very generously discounted the course from £300pp to £170 per person.

Additionally, we hope to be able to provide walking football (for men and women), disability football such as impaired vision, and football-centred fitness training over the coming season.





Recent information from MFHA England Youngminds, following a survey of 2,438 young people aged between 13 and 25 conducted in January and February 2021 showed:

- 75% agreed that they have found the last lockdown the hardest; and
- 67% believed that the pandemic will have a long-term negative effect on their mental health.

Sport is at the heart of local villages and the coaches and volunteers play a vital role in supporting our young people and the course will provide the necessary skills and confidence to spot the signs of mental health issues in a young person, offer first aid and guide them towards the support they need.

The positive impact of this cohort of engaged adults on village life cannot be overstated.

The benefit to the welfare and life chances of young people arguably represents the most lasting impact of Melbourn Dynamos. Participation in the club creates friendship groups, teaches discipline, team working and social skills and is (particularly for young males) a vital outlet and distraction from more antisocial behaviours.

Through partnership with the FA's Football Foundation and the Melbourn Village College, Melbourn Dynamos have secured, and are now Partner Club at the c£1million AstroTurf investment in Melbourn which will properly put the village on the footballing map. Construction is due to start imminently and Cambs FA have assured the Club that it will be completed in time for this year's winter training schedule.

We are now working with parents, carers and youth organisations locally to promote and deliver volunteering opportunities for boys and girls in the village. This may be in support of Guiding or Scouting achievements or as part of Duke of Edinburgh awards facilitated and enabled by MVC.

Securing grant funding is crucial to the Club. Subscriptions are levied on parents but many families and individuals who might be financially excluded from joining due to personal circumstances are routinely subsidised by the Club. We fear that this subsidy will increase in the short term due to the impact of the pandemic. Melbourn Dynamos has never turned anyone away from the Club.

As a direct result of the pandemic Melbourn Dynamos has not been able to fundraise as we would do normally which has resulted in a reduction in yearly income of £4k.

Our recent 'Pitch Preparation' report (as part of the ongoing work carried out with the Football Foundation) scored 70% of our pitches as 'poor' (the lowest of five grades) and recommended an £18k per annum maintenance budget to bring the standard of the grass to a sustained 'good' standard. As the Parish Council devolves much football pitch maintenance to the Club, Melbourn Dynamos are having to make yearly investment to improve pitch quality alongside paying the Council usage fee.

Our long-standing grounds maintenance contractor, Justin Willmott of Herts and Cambs Ground Maintenance Ltd, has supported the Club since its inception and continues to provide vital, and additional, maintenance on top of the work contracted by the Parish Council. The prices quoted (detailed below) by Justin represent a generous c£460 reduction to the full cost and are in addition to the routine maintenance work the Club require.



The Club continually seeks to enrich the knowledge and ability of all its coaches, and therefore all its players, and is currently in negotiations with a professional company, The Coaching Manual, with a proven local reputation who offers bespoke coaching sessions and training aids. If the Club were able to fund this expenditure it would be of huge benefit to everyone involved, both directly and indirectly.

I submit this application on behalf of Melbourn Dynamos FC with no presumption of securing any funding but hopefully this itemised list will allow Councillors the opportunity to individually consider each of the amounts.

Yours faithfully,

Blake Carrington, 15<sup>th</sup> April 2021  
Chairman, Melbourn Dynamos Football Club  
Breakdown of the Grant **application**:

Description	Quantity	Unit Cost	Total
Kit & Equipment	1	£ 7,009.20	£ 7,009.20
COVID19 PPE	1	£ 659.90	£ 659.90
The Coaching Manual	1	£ 2,300.00	£ 2,300.00
FA Level 1 Coaching Courses	6	£ 115.00	£ 690.00
Grounds Maintenance <sup>1</sup> - 'Vertidrain'	1	£ 2,100.00	£ 2,100.00
Grounds Maintenance <sup>2</sup> - Heavy Roll and Spiking	1	£ 1,512.00	£ 1,512.00
Grounds Maintenance <sup>3</sup> - Fertiliser	1	£ 1,032.00	£ 1,032.00
Mental Health First Aider Courses (discounted)	10	£ 170.00	£ 1,700.00
			<b>£ 17,003.10</b>

Discount for Grounds Maintenance *		£ (464.40)
Total with Discount applied		<b>£ 16,538.70</b>

\*, Only applied if all Grounds Maintenance tasks taken as per quote.

<sup>1</sup> Applies to Old Rec, New (Main) Rec and Back Field. A breakdown can be provided if required.

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