



PLEASE REFER TO THE COUNCIL'S POLICY STATEMENT AND GUIDANCE BEFORE COMPLETING THIS FORM.

APPLICANT DETAILS	
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Charity CIC or company number (if relevant)	Charity Number: 1131165
YOUR ORGANISATION	
Please describe your organisation – i.e. as one of the following:- Charity Community Interest Company Community or voluntary group Local club Not for profit organisation School Parent Teacher Association Friends of ... group Religious bodies Health charity School	Registered Charity



<p>(Please also refer to 3.1 and 3.2. of the Council's policy)</p>	
<p>Please indicate what your organisation's main role and purpose is (max 200 words)</p>	<p>The Kettering Civic Society was established for the public benefit in 1969 to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Promote high standards of planning and architecture in or affecting Kettering – Educate the public in the geography, history, natural history and architecture of Kettering – To secure the preservation, protection, development and improvement of features of historic or public interest in Kettering. <p>As custodians of the town, we do this by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Acting as a consultee to North Northamptonshire Council and Kettering Town Council on Planning issues – Raising awareness through a programme of events, talks for local clubs and societies, educational work in schools, tours (i.e. our Blue Plaque Heritage Trail), publications and documentary films (i.e. <i>The Lost Mosaic</i> project) – Campaigning to promote the restoration of Kettering's historic buildings
<p>YOUR APPLICATION OR PROJECT</p>	
<p>Please give a description of the project you would like funding for, indicating who it will benefit, the geographical area it will impact, and whether you have any other partner organisations working with you. (max 400 words).</p>	<p>“Men of Freedom” [working title] – a powerful docudrama on the theme of Kettering’s contribution to the abolition of the slave trade. Starting with the story of the two ‘supporters’ from Kettering’s now lost coat-of-arms, it will feature the lives and achievements of two of the strongest voices in the 18th and 19th Centuries against slavery: Charles Ignatius Sancho and William Knibb.</p> <p>Ignatius Sancho, born on a slave ship, was a protégé of the 2nd Duke of Montagu (owner of Boughton House), giving him employment and supporting his education, with the result that he became one of the most influential writers of his time against slavery.</p> <p>The docudrama will tell the story of Kettering born abolitionist William Knibb who became a Baptist Missionary in Jamaica. He is recognised as one of the leading advocates for the rights of slaves, campaigning tirelessly in Jamaica and back in England.</p> <p>By blending dramatic storytelling with rigorous historical analysis, “Men of Freedom” will offer a thought-provoking exploration of Sancho and Knibb’s legacy, revealing the profound impact of their work on future generations, the black community in modern Britain and the ongoing fight for human rights.</p>



	<p>The project will be led by the UK Film School, in collaboration with Shine Arts & Wellbeing, a local group working with and supporting neurodivergent people. It has been designed specifically to give Shine members a unique opportunity to benefit from direct involvement in all aspects of filmmaking, including research and location scouting, operating cameras, recording sound, managing the clapperboard and other equipment. Group members will also take part in historical re-enactments and interviews with leading historians. The group will bring their own skills to the project; several have degrees in art including in animation. They will have an opportunity to participate and film in a variety of locations around the county.</p> <p>As with our previous, successful 2023 documentary, “The Lost Mosaic”, the film will be made freely available to the widest possible audience through film shows to community groups including schools, Amazon Prime and it will be available on DVD. It will also form the basis of an educational programme with schools and community groups throughout Northamptonshire in collaboration with the Northamptonshire Black History Society.</p> <p>Our intention is that the making of this documentary will give members of Shine valuable, transferable skills in filmmaking, opening doors to new opportunities for them. Equally, the finished product, “Men of Freedom”, will ensure not only that Kettering recognises its contribution to abolishing the slave trade, helping instil a sense of pride in our town’s history, but that the wider Northamptonshire community continues to recognise and address the issue of racial inequality.</p> <p>It is anticipated that ‘Men of Freedom’ will have a large reach due to the topics covered. Kettering’s economy, through tourism, will benefit including awareness of Fuller Heritage Museum, Boughton House and Deene Park as visitor attractions where further information about Knibb and Sancho can be found.</p>
<p>What will the Council’s grant pay for?</p> <p>Please refer to sections 2.1 and 2.2 of the Council’s policy Please be as specific as you can</p>	<p>The grant will contribute to the core elements of mentoring Shine Group members by UK Film School staff, together with pre-production, filmmaking and film editing costs.</p> <p>The costs of the subsequent educational work will be met by the Civic Society and other supporters.</p>



How will you measure the impact of the project?	<p>The documentary will be heavily promoted through both social and print media, and coverage will be tracked and analysed.</p> <p>Equally, the intention is to deliver the documentary predominantly through social media, enabling tracking and analysis of viewing, usage and commentary.</p> <p>Also by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The number of film-shows and attendees. The publicity and reviews received. The number of DVDs sold/given away. The number of views on Amazon Prime 																						
Total you are seeking (up to £5000)	£ 5,000																						
Please give a breakdown of the costs by category or item if you can	<table border="1" style="width: 100%;"> <tr> <td style="width: 60%;">5 days Production</td> <td style="text-align: right;">2500</td> </tr> <tr> <td>5 Days Filming</td> <td style="text-align: right;">2500</td> </tr> <tr><td> </td><td> </td></tr> <tr><td> </td><td> </td></tr> <tr><td> </td><td> </td></tr> <tr><td> </td><td> </td></tr> <tr><td> </td><td> </td></tr> <tr><td> </td><td> </td></tr> <tr><td> </td><td> </td></tr> <tr><td> </td><td> </td></tr> <tr><td> </td><td> </td></tr> </table>	5 days Production	2500	5 Days Filming	2500																		
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Have you secured funding towards this project either from your own resources or another grant?	<p>£ 5,000 organisation's own resources £ 500 partner organisations Shine £ grant award (please list for each award)</p> <p>Volunteer Time: Kettering Civic Society Volunteer time: Monica Ozdemir, Executive Producer. £10,000.</p> <p>Professionals and experts: Professor Catherine Hall, £1,000; Charles Lister, £500; Crispin Powell, £500; Paterson Joseph, £1,000, Morcea Walker MBE DL £1,000. Charlotte Brudenell, £500. Total Volunteer time: £14,500.</p>																						
Have you applied for any other grant funding not yet awarded? If so how much?	£3,000 from Northamptonshire Community Foundation																						



Period you expect the project to run for.

April-November 2025

DECLARATION

I am authorised to make the application on behalf of the above organisation.
 I confirm that our organisation has the necessary governance in place to ensure value for money and audited accountability for the spend of any money allocated through the grant process.
 Our organisation has an up-to-date Safeguarding Policy I can submit upon request.
 I certify that the information in this application is correct.
 All money granted must be used for items listed in application only. If the information in the application changes in any way, I will inform Kettering Town Council.
 I understand that the information given in this form (except for bank statements) may be made available to members of the public and/or other organisations.
 If successful, I will submit photographs to KTC to enable them to use for publicity regarding the project.
 I agree to participate in monitoring, auditing, and reporting feedback related to KTC grant funding when accepting the grant.
 If successful, I agree to abide by the terms and conditions of the grants awarded above.

	Signatory One	Signatory Two
Signed		
Name in Block Capitals		

The Town Council's preference is to make payment of awards by bank transfer. Please provide your bank details in block capitals.

Name of account .

Branch sort code			-			-		
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Branch/Building Society account number									
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Kettering Town Council reference number (OFFICE USE ONLY)							
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Organisation name and address

Telephone contact details

Email address for emailing the remittance advice:



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Signature
Name in block capitals
Position held