



Please read the Grant Criteria document before you start your application process.

Application Reference (Office use only): GR17/2324	
<u>1: CONTACT DETAILS</u>	
Name of Organisation:	Congleton Harriers Running Club
Address of Organisation:	c/o Congleton Leisure Centre, Worrall St. Congleton.
Name of Applicant:	Philip Dawson
Position:	Race committee member
Telephone Number:	██████████
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Website:	www.congleton-harriers.co.uk
Registration Number (If relevant)	
<u>2: ABOUT YOUR ORGANISATION</u>	
What type of organisation are you?	Local Athletic Club
<p>Please tell us about your organisation, its aims and the work you undertake. (in less than 200 words)</p> <p>The club aims to promote running and health to the people of Congleton and the surrounding area and welcomes runners of all ages, abilities, and experience. We have training nights 3 nights a week and also have a weekly Sunday off road run, plus regular social events. We organise three races every year The Cloud 9 Hill race, the Passing Clouds race, and the Congleton Half Marathon now in all the proceeds of which go to local charities or worthy projects. All these races are run entirely by volunteers from the club. To recognise achievements and encourage participation of our members we award prizes in all age categories both Male and Female.</p> <p>To use surplus funds to support local charities and not for profit groups</p>	

3: COST DETAILS/ RESOURCES/ TIMETABLE	
Project Title:	The 36 th Annual Cloud 9 Hill Race
Project Objectives:	To encourage inexperienced and experienced runners of all ages, genders, and ability to enjoy off road running in a safe environment.
Brief Project Description:	The unique and charismatic 'Cloud 9 Hill Race' is a very popular annual event attracting 350 plus runners every year and ranks highly on the Fell Runners Association calendar. It is one of the largest Fell races in the country taking in Bosley Cloud and the ancient Bridestones along the 9 mile route which starts and finishes in Congleton. Now in its 36th year and more popular than ever we expect another large turnout. Each year an amount is donated to local charities, and for some years now the club has provided volunteers to the National Trust two days a year to help maintain the Cloud over which the race is run
Total Cost of Project	£1937
Total contribution sought:	£450
Details of cost breakdown and budgets:	See attached accounts 2023. We expect that all costs will rise this year.
What will the money be spent on?/ Resources needed:	To acquire the services of on the day Medical support as required by England Athletics legislation.
Any ongoing costs:	Storage of signage equipment and stock items approx. £100 year. Most of the main costs will be repeated each year, except for signage which will need to be replaced every 3-4 years.
Details of confirmed match funding, include source Cash/Grant: In kind:	None at present Soup (Top Nosh) Catering items (Tesco) applied for
Estimated timescale of project from start to finish:	Race, one day obviously. But approximately 4 months in total. 3 months planning and 1 month close off.
4: POTENTIAL BENEFITS/ OUTPUTS	
What are the potential benefits/outputs to residents of Congleton	Promotes Congleton as a place to live and set up business to a wider audience. Promotes running as a means to stay fit and healthy for all ages and abilities. Introduces local running clubs to the community and encourages membership. Promotes community participation in the organisation of events Provides support to local charities Promotes local businesses who get involved in the event.

Are there similar services/ projects provided in the area	No other local events on the same day as far as we are aware and certainly nothing as unique or charismatic as the 'Cloud 9'.
5: EVALUATION	
How will the project be evaluated and who will carry out the evaluation?	A full profit and loss account will be prepared A formal post race review meeting will be held A press report will be written From direct emails and feedback that appears on the Fell Runners Association and Runners' World forums, and via various other publications.
Describe how you will promote the Town Council in your project.	The Council will be included in all race promotion and by acknowledgement of their support during prize giving.
Please acknowledge you have read our Grant Application Criteria	Please see the Policy on our Grants page on our website: Grants - Congleton Town Council (congleton-tc.gov.uk) I/we have read the policy: YES

Declaration

- I am authorised to make this application on behalf of the above organisation.
- I understand and agree that the application and supporting documents will be presented on a public agenda, and that any private information will be redacted.
- I certify that the information contained in this application is correct. If the information in the application changes, I will inform Congleton Town Council as soon as possible.
- I give permission for Congleton Town Council to retain this information electronically. The information in this form will be used for the administration of grant applications.
- I understand that Congleton Town Council will use any personal information I have provided for the purposes described under the Data Protection Statement which can be found [Constitution - Congleton Town Council \(congleton-tc.gov.uk\)](http://congleton-tc.gov.uk)
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Signed:	P B Dawson	Date:	7 th December 2023
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