

	REQUEST FOR FUNDING FOR SPECIFIC PROJECT
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FINANCIAL YEAR 2024 -2025 DATE: 19th November, 2024

TO: KENILWORTH TOWN COUNCIL / FINANCE & GENERAL SERVICES

COMMITTEE. Please read the Project Support Grant Criteria before completing this form

NAME / GROUP & MAIN CONTACT	CELST (CENTRAL ENGLAND LIPREADING SUPPORT TRUST) Jerry Huxtable, Chairman
PROJECT TITLE	Lipreading classes in Kenilworth
TOTAL SUM REQUESTED	£3465.00
COSTING OF PROJECT WITH FULL DETAILED BREAKDOWN	£2550.00- Tutor (one class per annum) £42.50 per hour x 2 hours x 10 weeks x 3 terms £915.00 – Venue hire £15.24 x 2 hours = £30.50 per day x 10 weeks = £305.00 x 3 terms = £915
DETAILS OF OTHER SOURCES OF FUNDING APPLIED FOR AND NAMES OF PARTNER ORGANISATIONS IF PROJECT IS JOINT/ MULTI GROUPS AND DETAILS OF FUNDING SUPPORT REQUESTS MADE BY THEM	We are applying to the Eveson Trust for funding for our online classes next year. We received funding from the Bulkington Health Support Charity. We have had support from Coventry General Charities last year. We have 5 year funding from the National Lottery Community Support Fund – started at the beginning of 2024.
PLEASE CONFIRM THAT YOU HAVE ENCLOSED YOUR MOST RECENT AUDITED BALANCE SHEET OR EQUIVALENT.	Yes.

TIMESCALE / DATE OF EVENT	From September 2025
NUMBER OF KENILWORTH RESIDENTS TO BENEFIT	8 residents of Kenilworth but the total attending the classes from nearby is 29.
OTHER INFORMATION IN SUPPORT OF THE APPLICATION	
We are the Central England Lipreading Support Trust (CELST), registered charity number 1162613. CELST was founded in 2013 when it became obvious there was a need for lipreading education to support people with hearing loss within the Warwickshire and Coventry area and became a Registered Charity, number 1662613 in July 2015. Nationally, there are reported to be 11 million people with hearing loss. During the pandemic we moved our focus to online courses which have been very successful but in September 2021 we were pleased to be able start up our face to face classes again in Coventry, Bulkington and Kenilworth. The aims of the trust are to provide more lipreading courses for adults in Central England and to expand the number of courses still further to reach hearing impaired people. We have been funded by grants plus donations from attendees - the classes are free but we ask for a donation from those who feel able to. Lipreading is a vital tool for the growing numbers of people who are experiencing hearing loss and it plays an essential role in helping an individual to adapt. It is a link back to the outside world and helps those with hearing loss maintain confidence and independence. Hearing loss not only affects the individual, but their family and friends can be affected too. We sometimes have husbands/wives attend our courses in order to learn how to support their loved ones. Losing one's hearing can seriously affect people's emotional health. The sense of bereavement and loss felt with losing the ability to hear can be a very debilitating experience. We encourage people to evaluate the courses at the end of each year, by encouraging anonymous feedback from course attendees. Provision of lipreading tuition nationally is inadequate but particularly in the West Midlands and Warwickshire area of the UK. The majority of our income goes to supporting our courses, which means paying the tutors, their expenses, the venues and also the administrator who works 5 – 10 hours per week depending on demand. In 2023 some of our funding went to upgrade our website. We have found an increased interest in our classes in Kenilworth and we were able to put on a third class this last September. All three classes are well attended and we want to be able to continue to fund them. The amount we are asking for is to fund one of these classes for a year.	

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PLEASE RETURN THE COMPLETED FORM AND ENCLOSURES TO

**THE TOWN CLERK
KENILWORTH TOWN COUNCIL**

VIA EMAIL TO kentc@kenilworth.org

On your covering email – please confirm the following

Name and contact email and daytime telephone number.

Bank details – name and address of payee, bank sort code and account number