

# Saxilby with Ingleby Parish Council

### Non-confidential

# LGA 1972 s137 grant request

Report to: Full Council 05-23

Report by: Clerk

Power/duty which decision falls under: LGA 1972 s137

#### Which council objective(s) it falls under:

- Retain and encourage employment and tourism opportunities
- Improve the well-being of residents
- To foster public participation and engagement

#### Consideration on carbon reduction:

The event does not contribute to carbon reduction.

Public Sector Equality Duty (Consider or think about how policies or decisions affect people who are protected under the Equality Act)

The event is open to all on public land

Duck Egg Blue have applied for a \$137 grant to cover insurance for a 1940s event in June.

The event is in-line with a number of the council's objectives.

Councils have the power to support the provision of entertainment under LGA 1972, s145:

145 Provision of entertainments.

- (1) A local authority may do, or arrange for the doing of, or contribute towards the expenses of the doing of, anything (whether inside or outside their area) necessary or expedient for any of the following purposes, that is to say—
- (a) the provision of an entertainment of any nature or of facilities for dancing; <a href="https://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/1972/70/section/145">www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/1972/70/section/145</a>

S.137 of the Local Government Act 1972 ("the 1972 Act") enables local councils to spend a limited amount of money for purposes for which they have <u>no other specific statutory expenditure</u> (NALC LTN 31, 2021).



\$137 is known as a power of last resort; being used when no other specific power is available. As there is an existing power which would enable the council to support the event, it is advised that the council should not agree to the use of the \$137 budget for this purpose.

Furthermore, s137 expenditure is usually made to charities or local organisations/bodies rather than businesses.

## **RECOMMENDATION(S):**

That Full Council notes the report and approves a payment of £116 to cover the event, with finance committee to agree which budget the expenditure will come from.