



Town Council Grant

Activities Monitoring Form

1. Contact Details	
Organisation name:	Mossley Old School Trust
Address:	122 Leek Road, Congleton. CW12 3HX.

2. Grant Information			
Grant Reference Number:	GR06/2425		
Total project cost:	£5,830.80		

Receipts Attached? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Receipt Amount:	£500
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Please list receipts below:

- Cheshire Floor Sanding – floor sanding and lacquer £4,450.80
- Cleanforce Limited – Deep clean post refurbishment £1,380

3. Project Information			
When did the project commence?		13 th January 2025	

Did you make a profit from the project? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

No profit will be directly gained from this work. However, User satisfaction will be increased and therefore the likelihood of gaining and retaining Users will increase. This will therefore hopefully secure funding for the Mossley Old School Trust Charity going forwards.

Please explain what difference the project has made to your organisation/local people:

In summary, as outlined in the grant application, we believe the following benefits have been achieved through the refurbishment:

- **Increased aesthetics of a newly repaired floor.**
- **Reduced risk of splinters for those near the floor with bare hands and feet.**
- **Reduced slips and falls within groups.**
- **A hardwearing and long lasting solution rather than frequent User disruption by patching more regularly.**
- **A fully clean environment to remove any dust and dirt from the project.**

At Mossley Old School we have 16 Regular User groups with more enquiries weekly. We also have a number of adhoc Casual Users such as children's parties.

Based on a 7am-9pm potential usage we have a maximum 68% usage through the week in term time, and 50% weekend usage. This weekend usage can increase to 60% when a party is booked. This is currently made up of around 16 different groups/classes and around 620 total Congleton based Users within these groups.

During non term, time MASK holiday club ensures we have a 78% - 85% usage during the week depending on the evening classes running.

**percentages can vary due to weekly/bi-weekly bookings etc.*

Please see attached Thank You Document. This shows evidence of the floor change and user photos and comments to show how they have benefited.

4. Promotion

Please send an electronic photograph of your project/activity. Is this attached? Yes No

Do you give permission for these photographs to be used on the Council's web site and in newsletters?
(Please ensure that you seek permission for anybody photographed). Yes No

Was the grant funding from Congleton Town Council acknowledged in any way? Yes No

Please state how (i.e. on your website, event programme, tickets, etc)

- 1. All Users were informed of the grant support.**
- 2. Regular posts were placed on our Facebook page to acknowledge the grant funding and give thanks. In addition, Cheshire Floor Sanding shared posts on their own page.**

5. Feedback

What is your experience of using the Town Council Grant Scheme? Are there any comments or suggestions for improvements that you would like to make?

This is the second time we have applied for a grant and are very grateful to be successful on both occasions.

We have found the process smooth and efficient and staff very helpful with any questions.

How did you apply? Online Email Post

Do you feel that you understood the process? Yes No

Please rate the following elements:

	Excellent	Good	OK	Poor
Completing the application form		X		
Relevance of guidelines		X		
Length of the process from submitting an application to receiving notification	X			
Advice given from the Town Council Grants Team (if applicable)	X			

MOSSLEY OLD SCHOOL TRUST

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Mossley Old School Trust

Main Hall Floor

Refurbishment

2025

Centre Manager: Bryony Milbourne

Email: [REDACTED]

Tel: [REDACTED]

- Thank You
- Project Progress
- Project Completion – Before and After
 - User Photos
 - User Comments
- Benefits, Evaluation and Promotion - Revisit

Thank You

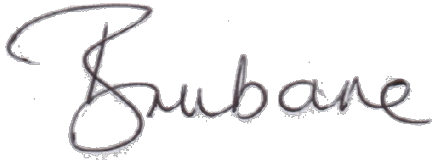
On behalf of the Trustees and Users we would like to say thank you for your grant contribution to enable us to carry out our Main Hall floor refurbishment project.

We feel this will ensure we can now offer a more practical and aesthetically pleasing environment to those who use it. It already feels much brighter and modern.

The Project was completed by **Cheshire Floor Sanding**, followed by a deep clean completed by **Cleanforce Contracting** Limited as an accompanying contractor.

We ensured that the project came in within budget.

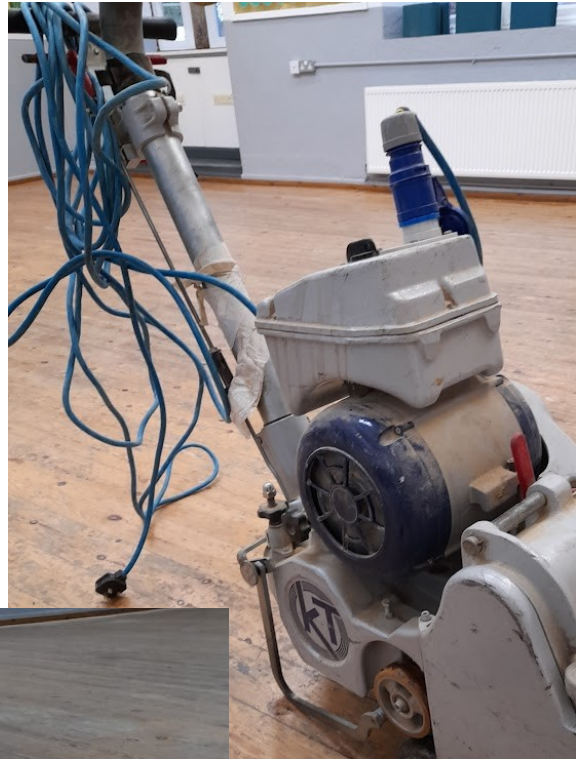
Should you wish to visit to view the building to view the flooring, please get in contact and we would be happy to arrange this.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Bryony Milbourne". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Bryony Milbourne
Centre Manager

Project Progress

The Project took place on the 13th and 14th January with the deep clean being carried out shortly afterwards.



Project Completion – Before and After

The floor went through a major refurbishment with complete industrial sanding and a new hardwearing lacquer/varnish layer applied.



BEFORE



Project Completion – Before and After



AFTER



User Photos

The key User who benefits most from the floor refurbishment is Louise Carter School of Dance. They required a floor that is not rough but also not too slippy. Pilates and Keep Fit are also affected by the state of the floor due to mat work. In addition, Mossley After School Club and Scouts are high level Users who also will appreciate the benefits.



**LCSD
Students
work on their
tap dancing
on the new
floor**



**Pilates
members work
on their core
using their
mats on the
new floor**

User Comments

Users have offered the following comments about the new floor:

“The exceptionally clean floor with its non-slip finish makes the room so much lighter. It adds to the ambience of an old building.”

Jean Philips, Music Appreciation (U3A)

“We love the new floor, bright and smooth but not too slippery. A great improvement for Pilates.”

Fiona Enticott, Pilates

“The floor is lovely to dance on - it’s so smooth when we are practicing our floor work!”

An 8 year old LCSD Student

“It makes the room really bright!”

A 10 year old LCSD Student

“I can’t believe how lovely it is to dance on this floor - it’s so much better than the old one!”

A 12 year old LCSD Student

“Here at LCSD we love to dance and moving on this newly renovated floor is like dancing on the West End stage. It’s light and bright and is making everyone smile, so a huge thank you to those who have enabled this to happen.”

Miss Louise

Louise Carter School of Dance

“The Main Hall floor has been transformed following the recent work on the floor. It looks like a totally new floor and it’s hard to believe the existing floor could be improved so much. The Beavers and Cubs can now sit on the floor with the risk of splinters reduced to almost nil. The floor is so much lighter in colour it makes the whole room lighter and more inviting. It is super!”

Christine Scott, Scouts Association

Benefits, Evaluation and Promotion - Revisit

Benefits

As outlined in the grant application, we believe the following benefits have been achieved through the refurbishment:

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Evaluation

As promised, we aimed to evaluate the project in the following ways:

- The Project will be managed by the Centre Manager whilst liaising with the Dance School to ensure work meets need.
 - *We worked together during the project to ensure it met the needs of Dance and any other key groups during the process.*
- A list of floor requirements has been drawn up to supply to the contractors.
 - *This list was discussed prior to the project commencing and the contractor confirmed their work would meet these requirements. Post project we have assessed these and are currently satisfied however we will be evaluating over time, through use, the effectiveness and go back to the contractor if required.*
- Users have been asked for comments on the current state of the floor and comments will be obtained again after work has been completed to ensure satisfaction has been reached from their side.
 - *See Above.*
- Pictures will be taken before and after for a visual comparison.
 - *See Above.*

Promotion

We enjoyed promoting the project in real time and were very proud to share the results.

During and Post Project:

- Promote the project through information emails to all Users.
- Post step by step updates on our Facebook and Cheshire Floor Sanding's page throughout the project mentioning the grant allocation details each time with thanks.
 - *Posts were put on our Facebook Page throughout the week of work to show the updates as they occurred. The grant bodies and contractors were thanked for their support.*