[Insert date of release or embargo date]

**[LOCATION] [NATURE OF YOUR ORGANISATION] READY TO CELEBRATE QUEEN’S PLATINUM JUBILEE IN STYLE THANKS TO NATIONAL LOTTERY FUNDING**

**Example: SURREY CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE’S CHARITY READY TO CELEBRATE QUEEN’S PLATINUM JUBILEE IN STYLE THANKS TO NATIONAL LOTTERY FUNDING**

**[Your location]**-based organisation **[your organisation’s name]** has received **[grant amount]** from The National Lottery Community Fund, the largest funder of community activity in the UK, to help mark theHer Majesty The Queen’s Platinum Jubilee.

**INSTRUCTION: (Delete one of the two following paragraphs that does NOT apply to your funding).**

**If your grant is for more that £10,000 please use this paragraph**

**[Your organisation’s name]** is one of 91 organisations across the country to be awarded funding from the **Platinum Jubilee Fund**, which has been launched by The National Lottery Community Fund to celebrate 70 years of Her Majesty The Queen’s reign, by providing impactful grants to projects across the UK that are helping to bring communities together.

**OR**

**If your grant is for less than £10,000 please use this paragraph**

**[Your organisation’s name]** has received the funding from The National Lottery Community Fund’s **Awards for All Programme**, which provides almost £80 million of National Lottery funding to local projects across the UK every year.

**[Your organisation’s name]** will use its grant to **[include detail about your organisation and plans for the grant, including the people that will be supported and how you will help the local community come together. Also include any key dates/locations etc. This may require more than one paragraph].**

**Example - The charity provides a calm, safe space for children from a range of backgrounds to come together to participate in fun, creative activities. The project has become a lifeline for young people in the area following a difficult two years that have limited their opportunities to socialise with friends. Activities include an arts club, music and dance workshops, and cookery classes.**

**The new grant from The National Lottery Community Fund will help the charity put on more sessions, as well as make upgrades to its centre in Woking, which will then host a street party on Saturday 4th June to bring the community together in celebration of the Queen’s Platinum Jubilee.**

**[Insert name], [insert role title] at [your organisation’s name], said: “[Insert a quote from a leader of your organisation. This should include a mention of the Queen’s Platinum Jubilee and how the project will help to mark it. You should also include a thank you to National Lottery players].”**

**[To give the press release greater impact, it may be useful to include a brief case study from a beneficiary of your organisation, stating their name and outlining how they have been supported. Then a quote expressing their excitement about the newly funded project. This should follow the above format].**

**[You may also wish to consider including a quote here from a third party such as a community leader or local parliamentarian if possible, congratulating the project on receiving the grant and then commenting on how it will help to bring the community together to celebrate the Queen’s Platinum Jubilee].**

To mark this momentous year of celebration**,** The National Lottery Community Fund launched the £3.5 million Platinum Jubilee Fund in November last year, providing grants of up to £50,000 to 70 impactful community projects across the UK to build connections and create a fitting and lasting legacy for their communities.

As the Platinum Jubilee forms part of a significant year of celebration and national pride, The National Lottery Community Fund has committed an additional £1 million to a further 21 community groups to ensure as many people as possible can come together to mark this momentous occasion.

The Platinum Jubilee weekend itself (2nd – 5th June 2022) will also be celebrated with The Big Jubilee Lunch. Supported by £2.3 million of National Lottery funding, this Jubilee-focused version of the annual Big Lunch event will see people from all over the UK come together to hold thousands of Big Jubilee Lunches, giving them the opportunity to mark the commemorative event while getting to know their local community.

**INSTRUCTION: (Choose only one of the following quotes for inclusion and delete the other two).**

**Blondel Cluff CBE, Chair of The National Lottery Community Fund, said:** “We are proud to play a key role in this momentous year of celebration across the United Kingdom. Thanks to National Lottery players, we are supporting organisations up and down the country that are making a great difference and bringing purpose and pride to their communities. It is these community groups that perfectly encapsulate the spirit of this Platinum Jubilee year, by creating a legacy of positive change that allows people to prosper and thrive.”

**OR**

**Blondel Cluff CBE, Chair of The National Lottery Community Fund, said:** “We are delighted to be supporting communities to prosper and thrive during a celebratory year for the United Kingdom. Thanks to National Lottery players, Her Majesty The Queen’s Platinum Jubilee will be marked by events and activities across the country, including here in **[insert location]**, that bring people together to build friendships and connections. We look forward to seeing the lasting impact this momentous occasion will have on people’s lives.”

**OR**

**Blondel Cluff CBE, Chair of The National Lottery Community Fund, said:** “This Platinum Jubilee year is a special moment for the nation and, thanks to National Lottery players, many more people will have the opportunity to come together and celebrate. Charities and good causes we support will help capture community spirit and pride during this historic, celebratory year, enabling people to prosper and thrive in 2022 and beyond.”

**[ENDS]**

Contact: **[Insert name, job title, contact number and email of whoever is managing your media relations]**

Notes to Editors:

**This final section provides extra information, in bullets, that the journalist might need. For example:**

* **Image captions (e.g., names of key individuals and/or brief description of pictured activity).**
* **Contact details of spokespeople at your organisation that can be contacted by the press to answer any questions.**
* **More information available at** [**(Insert**](http://www.growyourown.org) **a link to your organisation’s website address).**
* **Follow us on social media (Insert your organisation’s social media handles).**

**[INSERT YOUR BOILERPLATE HERE - This is a paragraph that explains broadly what you do and provides any additional information, like The National Lottery Community Fund’s included below.]**

**About The National Lottery Community Fund**

We are the largest funder of community activity in the UK – we support people and communities to prosper and thrive.

We’re proud to award money raised by National Lottery players to communities across England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland, and to work closely with Government to distribute vital grants and funding from key Government programmes and initiatives.

Our funding has a positive impact and makes a difference to people’s lives. We support projects focussed on things that matter, including economic prosperity, employment, young people, mental health, loneliness and helping the UK reach net zero by 2050.

Thanks to the support of National Lottery players, our funding is open to everyone. We’re privileged to be able to work with the smallest of local groups right up to UK-wide charities, enabling people and communities to bring their ambitions to life.

National Lottery players raise over £30 million each week for good causes throughout the UK. Since The National Lottery began in 1994, £43 billion has been raised for good causes. National Lottery funding has been used to support over 635,000 projects - 255 projects per postcode area.

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