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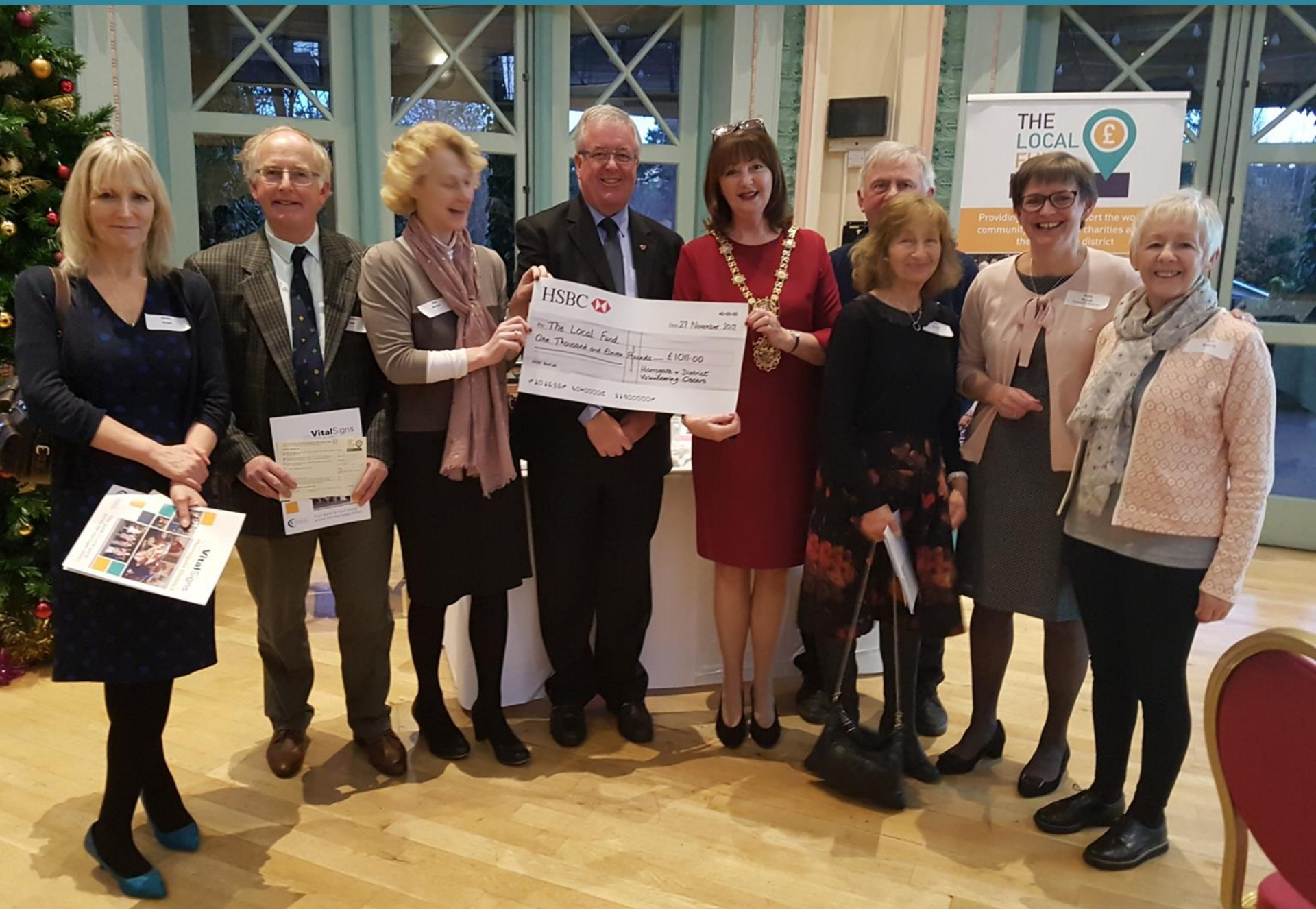
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Your guide to local giving
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News: Founding donation made to The Local Fund aims to address hidden needs in the Harrogate district

First boost to The Local Fund

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A new community fund will aim to take groundbreaking steps towards addressing the hidden needs of the Harrogate district when it launches in January.

The Local Fund is being set up as a partnership between the Two Ridings Community Foundation, Harrogate Borough Council and Harrogate and Ripon Centres for Voluntary Service.

A well-attended event at The Sun Pavilion on Monday set out hopes for an endowment fund of £2 million to be established by December 2019, for small community groups and local charities to apply for grants.

Guest speakers including the Chief Executive of the Harrogate Homeless Project, Liz Hancock, and Project

Manager for Orb Community Arts in Knaresborough, Leon Fijalkowski, highlighted the struggles of competing with larger charities for national funds, and the difficulty of demonstrating need to funders in a more affluent town.

The founders of The Local Fund hope that these barriers will be removed by having grants which recognise issues that are specific to the Harrogate district.

The founding donation to the fund was presented by Coun John Fox - the £1,011 was raised from this year's Harrogate District Volunteering Oscars tombola and raffle.

Coun Fox said: "Although this first donation is modest, it is symbolic of the way it is hoped The Local Fund will develop.

"Everyone attending the awards ceremony was in some way connected with local voluntary and community organisations and their ticket

purchases demonstrate how by working together we can really boost local giving."

While one foundation of the fund will be donations, another element critical to its success will be the free Friends of The Local Fund scheme.

Those attending on Monday pledged to become the fund's first friends and ambassadors, agreeing to promote The Local Fund to businesses and individuals who may wish to support the fund financially or in other ways.

A new report by the Two Ridings Community Foundation, Vital Signs, exposes the hidden needs of the Harrogate district and highlights statistics on poverty, loneliness, homelessness, dementia and mental health.

The Chief Executive of the Two Ridings Community Foundation, Jan Garrill, said the report will show why there is a need for The Local Fund.

Read next week's 'Advertiser' for analysis of the report.



Chair of The Volunteer Oscars John Fox presents a cheque to Jan Garrill of The Local Fund. Also in the picture are The Mayor of the Borough of Harrogate Coun Anne Jones, Chief Executive of Harrogate Borough Council Wallace Sampson, Council Leader Coun Richard Cooper and Chief Executive of HARCVS Karen Weaver (1711263AM).



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Fund to tackle rural deprivation welcomed

Nidderdale in desperate need of finances to tackle lack of community facilities

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A Nidderdale stalwart has welcomed the launch of a district-wide community fund to help charities and community groups to tackle rural deprivation in the area.

A well-attended event at Harrogate's Old Swan Hotel on Tuesday night saw the launch of The Local Fund, which has been set up as a partnership between the Two Ridings Community Foundation, Harrogate Borough Council and Harrogate and Ripon Centres for Voluntary Service.

Grants will be given to address the hidden needs of the district, and guest speaker Pat Hutchinson, who is the chair of trustees for charity William Hardcastle, said The Local Fund will be an important part of tackling isolation and deprivation in Nidderdale.

She said: "I live in Nidder-

dale, an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty that I'm sure many of you will have visited.

"But, underneath that veneer, sadly Nidderdale is an area of deprivation. A lot of people living in Nidderdale live very deprived lives, there is a huge amount of rural isolation in particular, and I think all the millennials have left the area and gone elsewhere.

"So we are left with a community which has enormous needs, particularly amongst the elderly. Many elderly people are living very isolated and very low quality lives. And we have a lot of young people who are at school in Nidderdale, but for whom there are absolutely no activities provided for them. All of the youth clubs have closed, all of the adult education provision has disappeared completely, so as far as socialising is concerned, there is absolutely nothing at all for people in our community to do."

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Pat Hutchinson, right, with fellow guest speakers Haydon Moorby-Davies and Marian Farrar at the launch of The Local Fund. (1801306AM17)



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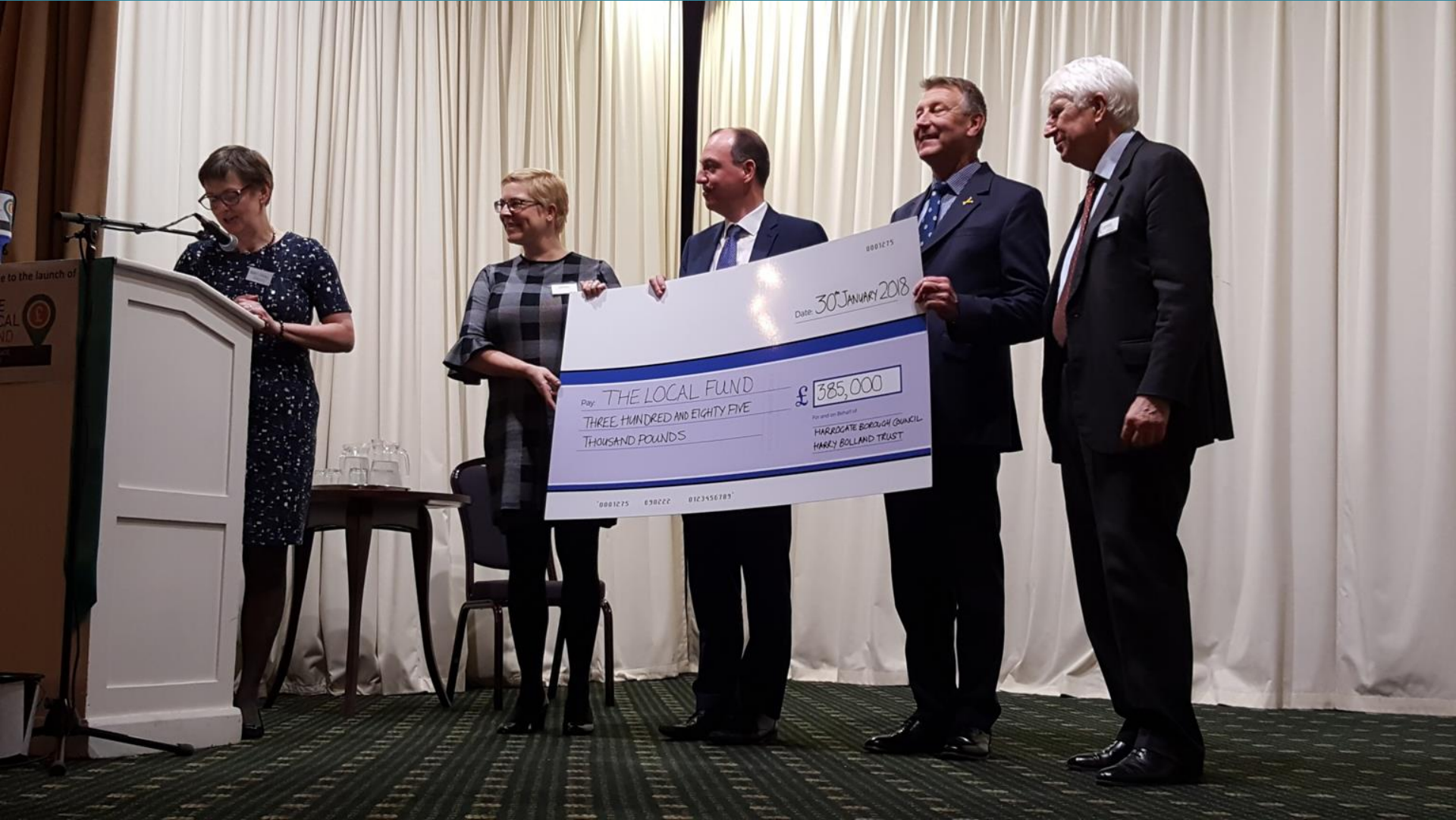
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Launch of The Local Fund at the Old Swan Hotel in Harrogate
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Lynda Ojiakor, Phillip Morris, Hazel McGrath, Benny Ojiakor and Ann Morris



Haydon Moorby-Davies, Marian Farrar and Pat Hutchinson



LAUNCH: The new fund was launched at the Old Swan Hotel in Harrogate



FUND: Karen Weaver, James Naylor, Wallace Sampson, Barry Dodd CBE, Jan Garrill and Richard Cooper



CHEQUE: Rachel Bowles, Richard Cooper, James Naylor and Barry Dodd



Nick Brown, Liz Meade and Linda Brown

Members of the community, local charities and groups gathered at the Old Swan Hotel in Harrogate to launch a new community fund.

Aiming to take steps towards exposing and addressing the hidden needs of the district, The Local Fund has been set up as a partnership between the Two Ridings Community Foundation, Harrogate Borough Council and Harrogate and Ripon Centres for Voluntary Service.

At the event, guest speakers pledged their support to the fund and urged others to do the same, stressing the importance of having a local fund for local people.

In its first year, The Local Fund will allocate at least £40,000 to support causes in our district, and the first round of applications will be open from April 1.

● Are you holding a community event? Let us know about it.

Email the details to news@harrogateadvertiser.co.uk



Marie Dawbarn, Andre Burn, Sally Robinson and Denise Carrigan



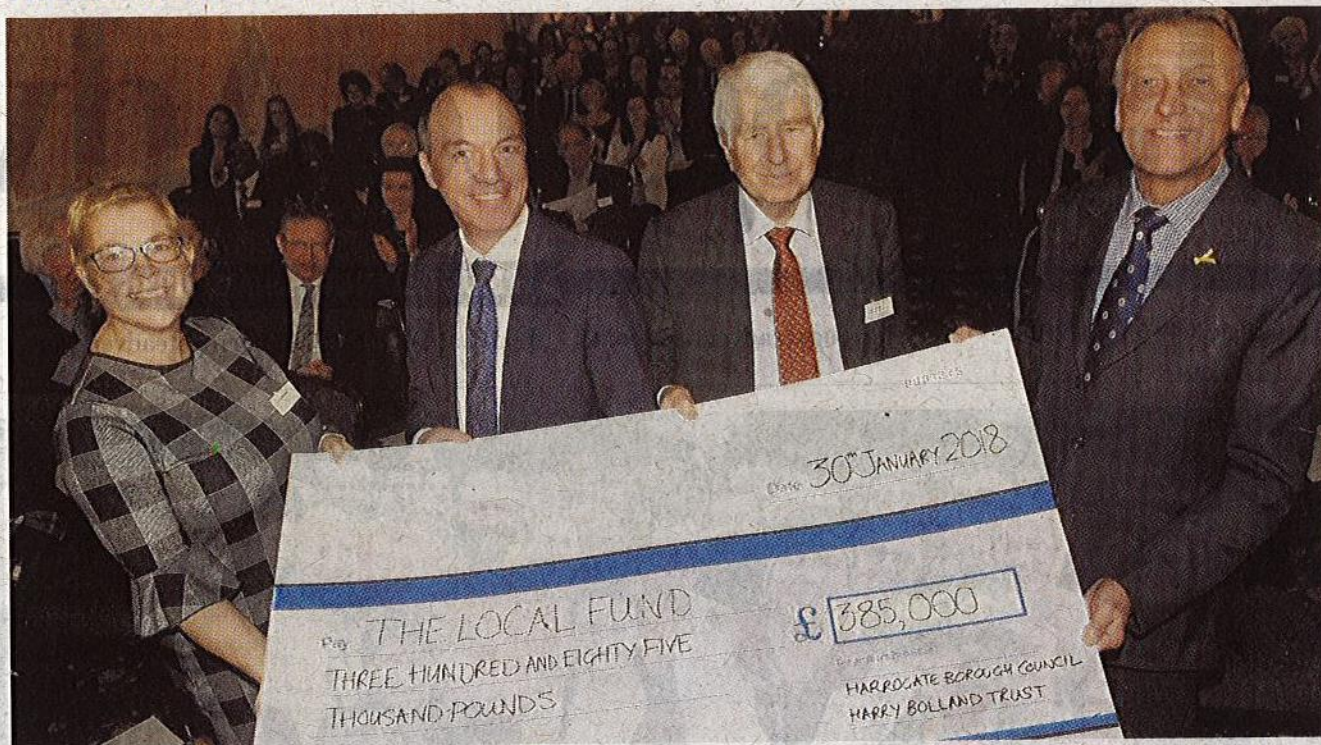
Judith Bottomly, John Ennis and Vic Smith-Dunn



A week in the news...

Looking back at the big stories from the last seven days

PICTURE OF THE WEEK



Rachel Bowles of The Harry Bolland Trust and Leader of Harrogate Borough Council Richard Cooper present a cheque to James Naylor (chair of Two Ridings Community Foundation) and the Lord Lieutenant for North Yorkshire Barry Dodd (President of Two Ridings Community Foundation) at the launch of the Local Fund on Tuesday night. Read about the launch on pages 6-7.

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New £25,000 lotto is launched for district

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The first tickets for Harrogate district's new Local Lotto with a possible jackpot of £25,000 have gone on sale this week.

Harrogate Borough Council believes the new scheme will offer a great opportunity for small charities and community groups to generate extra revenue from their supporters, at no cost.

Tickets are now being sold via The Local Lotto website which is now live for players to select their six numbers.

As well as a £25,000 jackpot, there will be smaller, weekly, prizes.

The lottery is a fundraising opportunity for local voluntary and community groups, which also enables players to support the organisations they care about most.

Money raised through The Local Lotto will contribute towards keeping the voluntary and community sector thriving across the district.

Karen Weaver, chief executive of the Harrogate and Ripon Centres for Voluntary



Fiona Friday, Harrogate Borough Council's partnerships and voluntary and community sector officer, with supporters of The Local Lotto, including New Park Bulldogs FC. (1807165AM1)

Services, said: "HARCVS has been delighted to support the launch of The Local Lotto.

"Its link with The Local Fund builds on the excellent partnership work between the Council, ourselves and Two Ridings Community Foundation to grow local giving in our area."

Councillor Sam Gibbs, who chairs Harrogate Borough Council's voluntary and community sector liaison group, said: "People across the Harrogate district now have an exciting new way to support the many good causes doing great

work every day.

"It's not too late for charitable organisations to register as beneficiaries."

The lottery is being promoted jointly by the council and The Local Lotto for the Harrogate district and is being run independently by lottery manager Gatherwell.

A total of 60p from every £1 ticket will go directly to local charities and voluntary or community groups.

The inaugural draw will take place in September but good causes still have the opportunity to sign-up.

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Chair of Two Ridings Community Foundation James Naylor, Chief Executive of HARCVS Karen Weaver & recipients.

Celebrating the first Local Fund grants

The Local Fund for the Harrogate district has awarded its first round of funding totalling £40,000 to more than 20 charities and community groups.

Decisions on the grants were made by a local panel comprising of the Friends of The Local Fund, and representatives from Harrogate Borough Council, Harrogate and Ripon Centres for Voluntary Service, and Two Ridings Community Foundation.

A celebration event for all of the successful applicants was held at Harrogate Civic Centre on Tuesday night.

The Harrogate Hub, a project which tackles loneliness in our town, was among the 22 delighted recipients of funding.

The Hub's Executive Director, Jo-Ann Hughes, said: "We are delighted. It is lovely news. We are encouraged by The Local Fund for recognising our

service to vulnerable people in Harrogate. The grant will make a real difference in the lives of people who turn to us for a safe space, for befriending, support and signposting."

The full list of groups that have been awarded funding can be viewed at: <https://www.trcf.org.uk/grants-tlf-harrogate>

The aim of The Local Fund is to address hidden needs in the Harrogate district.





Grasping new opportunities 'Strictly' style

At Harrogate and Ripon Centres for Voluntary Service we're always looking out for new ways in which we can support local voluntary and community groups to meet the needs of people in our communities.

This means being open to developing new ideas, grasping new opportunities and working with new partners. Sometimes early discussions come to nothing, and then on other occasions something really interesting and worthwhile can emerge. This is certainly true of a conversation with the management team at Rudding Park Hotel earlier this year. As well as being hugely supportive of The Local Fund for the Harrogate District they also wanted to go much further in developing their links with local good causes.

Last week saw the culmination of these discussions, with seven local voluntary organisations being introduced, 'Strictly' style, to staff from the hotel who've been given the opportunity to spend a day a month volunteering for the next twelve months. These staff have been selected from the full range of a top class hotel's careers, including events management, health and beauty, greenkeeping, finance and HR. They'll be sharing their skills to help their partners with a variety of



Staff from six local voluntary organisations and colleagues from Rudding Park Hotel, including the staff volunteers they've been matched up with.

challenges. The enthusiasm in the room was great to see, as animated conversations quickly got underway between the matched couples! We'll be keeping in touch with Rudding Park and the charities to ensure everything goes smoothly and to share the learning from the project.

More recently I've been part of initial discussions about setting up a 'Good Gym' in Harrogate. Heading to a local bar to rendezvous with people I'd only swapped emails with felt slightly odd, but key to getting the meeting set up had been a

colleague from NYCC, so at least I knew one of the people coming along! 'Good Gym' is a movement which is growing across the country and combines running with helping other people in the community. To get started, there needs to be five founder members and 100 participants and via the power of social media, and despite not being a runner, I have become a founder member. Why? Well because through our work at HARCVS we can see that this could mobilise new volunteers and help lots of local people and groups. It's a simple

concept, combining physical exercise with doing some good; helping others, keeping fit and well and having some fun along the way. The hope is that Harrogate's 'Good Gym' can enthuse people in the town to get more active, by running (or walking or cycling) with others on a regular basis, and combine physical exercise with helping others in the local community. This could be visiting people who may be isolated, doing gardening or DIY for people who may need extra help.

I'm pleased to report that we've got the founder members in place and we're well on the way to the first 100 runners signing up. We're taking baby steps towards getting everything in place and later this month will be meeting with the national co-ordinators of 'Good Gym', so we can learn from other areas and work out how to make this happen in a safe and fun way on our patch. To find out more and to sign up, visit: <https://www.goodgym.org/proposals/harrogate>.

If you're a voluntary organisation thinking about how to develop links with businesses, we've got two free workshops coming up in Ripon on Thursday, November 29 and Harrogate on February 7, visit www.harcvs.org.uk for more details.

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