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Speakers club makes good case for lectern

A BOLTON organisation which boosts people's confidence is speaking out for cash help.

The Bolton and District Speakers Club meets each second and fourth Monday of the month at the Friends'

Meeting House in Bolton town centre.

Its aim is to help members improve their communication skills, prepare and deliver speeches in public, and build self-confidence to improve areas such as job prospects. As well as helping

individuals, members also speak at community functions and judge school speech competitions.

But for their own meetings, they are having to borrow a lectern so members can practise their speaking. "It is surprising the difference just

standing behind the lectern can make to your confidence to speak out," said club president Trevor Savage.

So, the club would dearly like to have its own lectern at a cost of around £140.

And they have asked for help from the Make It Happen community awards - run by the Bolton Evening News and specialist accident and health insurance market leaders Combined Insurance - which is giving away £10,000 to local voluntary groups.

Many organisations have already applied for these popular awards, and a presentation evening will be held in November for the lucky recipients.

In the meantime, anyone who wants to help themselves by learning to improve their public speaking skills can find out more about the club by contacting Mr Savage on 01204-578740.



SPEAKING OUT: Club president Trevor Savage, front right, hands Deborah Stockdale, left, the Association of Speaker Clubs' official manual for new members as other members look on, back from left: Ted Browning, Ken West, John Metcalf and chairman Joe Cunningham