



## **GRANT AWARDING POLICY**

### **Introduction**

A grant is any payment made by the Parish Council to be used by an organisation for a specific purpose that will benefit the Parish, or residents of the Parish, and which is not directly controlled or administered by the Council. The Council awards grants, at its discretion, to Parish organisations which can demonstrate a clear need for financial support to benefit the Parish by:

- Providing a service
- Enhancing the quality of life
- Improving the environment
- Promotion the Parish of Landulph in a positive way

### **Grant Application Process**

1. The Clerk to the Council will receive all applications in the first instance. A designated Councillor will then collate all the necessary information from the applicant ready for presentation and discussion at the appropriate Council meeting.
2. Applicants will be required to complete an application form. All questions on the application form should be fully answered and additional appropriate information, which supports an application, should be provided.
3. In addition to the application form, organisations will be required to provide the following supporting information:
  - A copy of their written constitution or details of their aims and purpose;
  - Full details of the project or activity;
  - Demonstration that the grant will be of benefit to the local community within the Parish;
  - The proportion or number of beneficiaries living in the electoral area;
  - Demonstration of a clear need for the funding;
  - A copy of the previous year's accounts or, for new initiatives, a detailed budget and business plan.
4. Where possible, the Council will expect to receive in writing to the Clerk any expression of interest for a possible grant application by 30<sup>th</sup> September of the financial year prior to the funds being required, in order that budget provision can be considered.
5. The Council will make the decision on which grants to award. All applicants will be contacted following the Council's decision.
6. The Council has a limited budget each year, and guidance can be given to applicants as to how much money is likely to be available in a specific financial year.

## **Conditions of Funding**

1. The organisation must be either non-profit or charitable and non-political. Applications will not be considered from private organisations operated as a business to make a profit or surplus.
2. Grants will not be made to individuals or for projects which improve or benefit privately owned land or property.
3. Grants will not be made retrospectively or for projects which have already been completed or will be completed by the time the grant is made.
4. Grants will not be made for the running costs of any organisation.
5. Grants will not be made for projects which are the prime responsibility of other government bodies.
6. Applications will not normally be considered from national organisations or local groups with access to funds from national 'umbrella' or 'parent' organisations, unless funds are not available from their national bodies, or the funds available are inadequate for a specified project.
7. An organisation should have a bank account in its own name.
8. The administration of and accounting for any grant shall be the responsibility of the recipient. All awards must be properly accounted for and evidence of expenditure should be supplied to the Council as requested.
9. Only one application for a grant will be considered from each organisation in any one financial year.
10. Ongoing commitments to award grants or subsidies in future years will not be made. A fresh application will be required each year.
11. Each application will be assessed on its own merits.
12. The Council may make the award of any grant or subsidy subject to such additional conditions and requirements as it considers appropriate. The Council reserves the right to refuse any grant application which it considers to be inappropriate, against the objectives of the Council, or that it has no statutory powers to spend on.
13. Any grant must only be used for the purpose for which it was awarded unless the written approval of the Council has been obtained for a change in use of the grant monies, and that any unspent portion of the grant must be returned to the Council by the end of the financial year in which it was awarded.
14. The Council may make the award of any grant or subsidy as it considers appropriate in the event of any unforeseen urgent event.
15. Nothing contained herein shall prevent the Council from exercising, at any time, its existing duty or power in respect of providing financial assistance or grants to local or national organisations under the provisions of the Local Government Act 1972, Section 137.



## LANDULPH PARISH COUNCIL GRANT APPLICATION FORM

For an application to be considered, it must be accompanied by:

- the latest set of annual accounts showing the organisation's income, expenditure and level of balances;
- a copy of the organisation's bank statements for the last 3 months;
- and a copy of the organisation's constitution or set of rules.

Name of the organisation making the application:	
Short description of the organisation:	
Name, address, telephone number and email address of contact:	
Type of organisation:	Unregistered community group/club/society: YES / NO Registered charity (please provide charity no.): YES / NO Other (please state):
Amount of grant requested:	£
A short description of what the grant is for:	
Who will benefit from the project?	
What area does your organisation / group cover? The Council can only fund grants to organisations / groups who can demonstrate direct benefit to residents of Cargreen / Landulph	
If the total cost of the project is more than the grant, how will the rest be financed?	
Have you applied to any other body for a grant for the same project? If yes, please give details:	
Signature and date:	

Please use a separate sheet of paper to submit any other information which you feel will support this application.  
Please return the completed form to: Parish Clerk, Landulph Parish Council, 6 Rashleigh Avenue, Saltash, Cornwall  
PL12 4NS Email: [clerk@landulph.org.uk](mailto:clerk@landulph.org.uk)