

GRANTS AND DONATIONS POLICY (Section 137 (1) LGA 1072)

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Owslebury Parish Council has a small budget for the award of grants and donations to provide support to community organisations. The Council will consider applications for grants from voluntary groups or charitable organisations, which are not-for-profit and which can demonstrate that any funding received will directly benefit the Parish, or residents of the Parish.

Grant applications will be dealt with by the Full Council.

Eligibility:

Unless otherwise determined by the Council:

1. Grants or donations will only be awarded to voluntary groups or charitable organisations with governance procedures acceptable to the Council, and with separate bank accounts. Under no circumstances will grants or donations be awarded to individuals.
2. Grants will not be awarded to regional or national organisations, unless they are for a specific project in the Owslebury and Morestead area.
3. Additional applications within a 12 month period will not normally be considered.

Conditions:

Unless otherwise agreed by the Council, the following conditions will apply to all grants and donations:

1. The grant or donation must be used for the purpose for which the application was made.
2. If the organisation/group is unable to use the grant or donation for the stated purpose, all monies must be returned to the Parish Council.
3. All awards must be properly accounted for and, if requested by the Clerk, evidence of expenditure must be provided. If the Council is not satisfied with the arrangements, the grant/donation must be refunded to the Council without undue delay.

Applications:

Applications should be made in writing to the Clerk, giving details of the charitable organisation or voluntary group, full details of the request and how a grant or donation would benefit local residents, and confirming acceptance of the above grant or donation conditions.