

Branscombe Parish Council

Grant Aid Policy Guidance and Application Form

Each year Branscombe Parish Council makes a limited sum available to help support local community and voluntary groups serving the needs of Branscombe residents. The Parish Council wishes to see organisations flourish and develop in the village/hamlet and the Grant Aid funding is intended to help achieve this objective.

The attached notes will help you establish whether your organisation is eligible to be considered for Grant Aid, and if so, how to apply. They also explain the additional information you need to provide with your application.

Eligibility:

Grants will **NOT** be made:

- To organisations situated outside the area administered by Branscombe Parish Council.
- To organisations established for political purposes.
- Where the aims and objectives of the organisation are inconsistent with the values of the Council.
- Where the aims and objectives of the application relates to another local authority's responsibility.
- To private/commercial organisations.
- For retrospective funding for projects which have already taken place.
- For projects which are exclusively religious activity.
- To schools/colleges/universities.
- For funding towards running core costs (rent, utilities, salaries etc).
- For any form of gambling.

Considerations:

- Requests for grant aid will only be considered from small local organisations serving the needs of Branscombe Parish residents.
- Grants can only be paid for a single year and a second application is not allowed for the same project/purpose.

Additional Considerations:

- The beneficial impact on the residents of Branscombe Parish.
- The overall financial circumstance of the group applying for funds.
- The efforts being made by the group to fund its own activities.
- The extent of previous Council support for the group

Application Process

Applications will initially be considered at the monthly meetings of the Council. To ensure that fair and proper consideration may be given to all requests, the Council requires a completed application form to be submitted.

Applicants are asked to note that all recipients of grant aid must confirm in writing that the grant has been used for the purpose for which it has been granted.

The Parish Council's Grant Aid Policy Guidance and Application Form was adopted at the Parish Council Meeting held on 9th June 2022

Good Governance because it is time to think again.

Action: The Policy to be reviewed at Annual Meetings of the Parish Council.