



Whixall Parish Council

S137 GRANTS & DONATIONS POLICY

Background

Each year Whixall Parish Council gives small grants to organisations whose work benefits people who live within the Parish. The sum allocated for grants and donations is part of the annual precept of the Council.

Eligibility to receive grant funding and donations

Eligible	Ineligible
- Organisations or community groups within the parish - Organisations outside the parish who can show that their work benefits people from Whixall	- Private individuals - Political parties - Organisations whose work does not provide any benefit to Whixall residents - Organisations whose sole purpose is make profit - Religious organisations (unless for a purpose that does not discriminate on grounds of belief) - Organisations who request funding to support their statutory responsibilities

Application Process

Applicants are required to complete and return a short application form which is available in hard copy and on the website. Check bank information section

Decision Process

Grants are usually decided in February each year, although the Council may occasionally decide to announce additional grant funding on its website. The Parish Council may ask applicants to attend a meeting to discuss their application.

Parish Councillors will consider the following when assessing grant applications:

- Is the grant from an eligible organisation or group?
- Will the activity benefit residents of Whixall?
- Do the costs appear realistic?
- Are there more appropriate streams of funding for this activity?

Successful Applications

Grants will be paid by bank transfer, usually before the end of March. The parish council will publish an annual list of grants it has awarded on its website.

Recipients may be asked to provide an update of how the grant has been spent. This information will be made publicly available.

Unsuccessful Applications

The Parish Clerk will contact the applicant shortly after the meeting with an explanation and, if appropriate will provide guidance for a future application.

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