

Morval Parish Council

(Supporting the Heart of the Community)

Grants Policy

Introduction:

Morval Parish Council may make grants to voluntary groups or charitable organisations working for the benefit of the parish and its community.

Grants are paid from money provided by the council taxpayers of Morval parish and, accordingly, the Parish Council has a responsibility to satisfy itself that any benefit is commensurate with, or in proportion to, the expenditure likely to be incurred (Local Government and Housing Act 1989, section 137).

Grant applications will be considered by the Parish Council at any time.

General Conditions:

1. Grants will not be awarded to individuals.
2. If an organisation doesn't have their own bank account, the account holder used for the grant is liable for the grant and providing any evidence required.
3. Grants will not be awarded for similar items on a regular basis.
4. Item 13 "Reason for Grant" must include an itemised list.
5. The grant must be used only for the purposes stated in the application and not assigned to any other purpose.
6. The Parish Council reserves the right to recall a grant if it is not used for the purposes or within the conditions stated.
7. If the group is unable to use the award for the stated purpose, all monies must be returned to the Parish Council.
8. A grant not taken up within twelve months of it being awarded must be returned.
9. Financial status should be provided as per item 15 on the Grant application form with no exception.
10. Copies of receipts/invoices must be provided to the Parish Council to show proof of spend if requested.
11. Any relevant publicity material should acknowledge the support of Morval Parish Council.

12. An article recognizing the support of Morval Parish Council ought to be provided for inclusion in the next edition of the Outlook Magazine. Guidance can be given on this.

13. In making an award, Morval Parish Council does not assume or accept any responsibility or liability of any kind whatsoever towards any person or persons in respect of any matter or thing arising out of or incidental to the execution of the work undertaken.

Eligibility:

Any Charity, Voluntary Group or Community Organisation.

Agencies that operate within the Parish and are of benefit to the local community, with the following provisos:

- The Parish Council will not fund activities that it considers to be the responsibility of a Statutory Authority.
- The Parish Council will not fund activities outside its powers and functions.

Application forms should be requested from, and returned to, the clerk.

Questions and queries about the process are to be directed to the clerk who will be happy to assist you.

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