Wortwell Parish Council Grants and Donations Policy

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Community Grants/Donations requested from Wortwell Parish Council

Definitions

A grant is awarded for a particular defined purpose. A donation is awarded for general purposes.

Objective:

The Parish Council wishes to support appropriate activities and causes which are likely to benefit the Parish of Wortwell as a whole, or a significant number or group of persons residing within the Parish.

Policy:

- Grants/Donations are made to be used by local organisations (not individuals) for specific purposes in the furtherance of the well-being of the local community.
- Grants/Donations are not made to national or other organisations unless there
 is a branch supporting the Parish, in which case that branch must make the
 application.
- Applications may be made to any meeting of the Council, except the Annual Parish Meeting which takes place in April. Written applications for grants/donations must be received by the Clerk to the Council at least ten days before the date of a Council meeting; applications received after that time will be considered at the next ordinary meeting of the Council.
- Applications should include the amount requested; the total cost and a full description of the planned activity or purchase; and the level of other contributions raised locally and/or expected from other grant-giving organisations.
- Acknowledgement of Council support must be given in any publicity or literature.

The Council will, at its discretion, waive any of the above conditions. The Council will publicise each year the total amount budgeted for Community grants/donations. The Clerk will be happy to give advice to prospective applicants on the submission of applications.

Grants Requested by Wortwell Parish Council

Objective

Wortwell Parish Council seeks to maximise the benefits of its resources across the breadth of the community; and may from time to time seek grants from third party funding sources to bring in additional funding to our community and preserve available resources for alternative use.

Policy

- **1.1 Applications:** Wortwell Parish Council will use its discretion and best endeavours to seek grant funding for specific schemes that promote and support purposes that benefit the Community.
- **1.2 Community participation:** All grant applications require significant administrative effort. This includes surveying public opinion, consulting with interest groups, identifying specific tangible requirements, and obtaining costings. Wortwell Parish Council will only support grant applications where there is demonstrable community commitment to support and participate in the application process and to maintain the funded facilities on an ongoing basis.
- **1.3 Obligation:** This policy infers no obligation on Wortwell Parish Council to pursue any funding sources.

General

2.1 Complaints: Complaints made under this policy should be referred to the Clerk as identified under the Council's Complaints Policy.