



LISKEARD TOWN COUNCIL

GRANT AWARDING POLICY

Aim: Liskeard Town Council allocates a grants budget annually to assist other organisations within the town to achieve projects, services, exhibitions and events of benefit to the town and its residents.

Eligibility Criteria to assist potential applicants and Councillors.

- Applications can only be considered if they can demonstrate that the grant aid will be of benefit to the community of Liskeard.
- Grants will only be given to non-profit making organisations.
- All grant applications must be accompanied by the latest set of accounts, failing this, a current statement of the funds and balances.
- An individual may not receive a grant, although a club or association can apply.
- A single business cannot receive a grant, although a Trade Association or Chamber might put forward an eligible project.
- Grants will not be awarded retrospectively to any project.
- Grants will not be given for normal repairs or maintenance.
- Grants will not be paid against the normal operating costs of an organisation, e.g. wages, rents, stock etc.
- Normally awards of grant will be in the range of £50 - £500. For applications which the Council considers are exceptional, the Council can reserve the right to approve a grant of up to £5,000. The approval of a larger sum would need to be ratified by the Town Council under Financial Regulation 5.8 of the Revised Regulations adopted on 20 October 2015.
- The money must be used within two years of being awarded.

- Should a grant be awarded the Town Council requires as a condition of approval that the support of the Town Council is acknowledged in all relevant press releases, social media posts etc. and that the recipients of grants give feedback to the Town Council on the use of the monies awarded. This could include presenting information at the public annual meeting.
- Applications are welcomed from community groups, social enterprises, trusts and charities.
- Should the project be appropriate the Town Council would encourage applicants to seek the support of other grant bodies including from those outside of the town. This will help to draw down the maximum amount of external investment into the town.
- That a project seeking town council grant assistance should not already have been approved for the award of a Town Forum grant. (Note – funds held by the Town Forum have been provided by the Town Council).
- Each applicant will only be permitted one grant approval per financial year.
- Should the grant fund the purchase of an asset or service, which could be used by other community groups when not required, the applicant is encouraged to share the benefit.
- Applications must be made on the form supplied.
- Applications to be sent by e-mail to the Town Clerk townclerk@liskeard.gov.uk or posted or handled into the Town Council Offices at 3-5 West Street, Liskeard PL14 6BW
- Correctly completed applications will be considered by Town Council. The applicant may attend the Council and present their application to the Council if the applicant wishes.
- If the proposed project does not comply with the above guidelines, it will not be considered by the Council.

Adopted: 19 March 2019

Modified: As circumstances require

Reviewed: 25 March 2020

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GRANT APPLICATION FORM

Do not complete the Application Form until you have read the Grant Awarding Policy and believe that you comply with it.

By making the application you are giving consent for the information to be shared with Councillors and the public

**When you have completed this form please send it to:
The Town Clerk, 3-5 West Street, Liskeard PL14 6BW**

Name of Applicant / Organisation	Geraldine Hiscott from WILD Young Parents Project
Person to contact Position Held	Geraldine Hiscott Group lead
How are you funded?	
What benefits will your project give to the town, visibly or in the Community? Who in the Town will benefit?	<p>I work with 14 families in the Liskeard area all with parents under the age of 24 and children under the age of 5. With the cost of living increasing and by being a young parent the world already has made its judgements about you, times are very hard.</p> <p>We support our families with the day to day family life, from emotional support to practical support, we link in with citizens advice bureau, the local library, local arts projects to support our families to increase their attachments with their children and support network.</p> <p>The way this money would benefit the families I work with and the town would be to make these families feel more valued, more belonging to liskeard and emotionally happier.</p> <p>What I am applying for is for funding to take the families I work with to the beach for the day over the summer. This sounds like a usual family experiences but for the families I work with and due to the pressures or finances, lack of transport, lack of confidence, lack of family support. A special day out like this could seem unreachable.</p> <p>I feel this would benefit these families to have a really positive day out with their children to create some really happy memories and leave their worries about life at home for the day. Living in Cornwall and finding some of the families we work with have never been to the beach is a very sad statistic and this funding would make it happen</p>

<p>A brief description of your project</p>	<p>Wild young parents project is a charity set up 30 years ago to support young parents in Cornwall. We are the biggest young parent's charity in the country. We support parents from any lower age to the age or 24. We support children until they turn 5, we are a whole family service and support dads too.</p> <p>In liskeard we have a thriving group for mums and their preschool children, we meet once a week in the liskeard family hub and monitor a face book peer support group alongside this. Currently I support 14 young parent families in Liskeard.</p> <p>Children from young parent families statistically often have more difficulties, such as accessing services can be intimidating for young parents or they feel very judged by society.</p> <p>Speech and language can be very delayed statistically and attachment can be hard. Lots of financial pressures and I often have a few families who are homeless or sofa surfing who I'm working with.</p> <p>With all these difficulties a charity like ours offers much needed support and mainly a safe space where the family doesn't feel judged and can access help to, create a village of support around themselves and make friends in similar situations to them.</p> <p>I have worked for Wild since Jan 2021 and I am amazed at the difference the charity makes for the children and the parents. We have specialised children's workers who work with the children in a play centred way and I am there to work with the parents to support them to understand their children and increase their bonds with them.</p>
<p>Have you previously received a grant from Liskeard Town Council?</p> <p>If 'Yes' please indicate</p>	<p>NO</p> <p>(a) When (Date)</p> <p>(b) Amount received £</p>

<p>What is the total cost of your Project? What sum of money are you looking for from the Town Council and what exactly will it be used to support? How is the difference to be funded?</p>	<p>The Council cannot fund the normal ongoing operating costs of organisations. This application should not contain such costs.</p> <p>I have strong links with the big red bus charity who have 2 mini buses which could transport 14 of our families to the beach. I would also use some money for snacks and beach equipment. For £250 for a really good memorable day out which will be remembered for ever</p>
<p>Charity Number or Registered Company Number (if applicable)</p>	<p>Please do not sign your name in this box. Charity number.</p> <p><u>01209210077</u></p> <p>Date 12/07/22</p>

IF POSSIBLE, PLEASE PROVIDE AN UP TO DATE COPY OF THE ORGANISATIONS ACCOUNTS