

LISKEARD TOWN COUNCIL

GRANT AWARDING POLICY

<u>Aim:</u> 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 on the Finance and Strategy Committee

- 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 organisation's 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 Committee considers are exceptional, the Committee 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 press releases, Facebook posts etc. and that the recipients of grants give feedback to the Town Council on the use of the monies awarded.
- 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 external
 investment into the town.
- 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 the Finance and General Purposes Committee of the Town Council. The applicant may attend the Committee and present their application to the Committee if the applicant wishes.
- If the proposed project does not comply with the above guidelines, it will not be considered by the Committee.

Adopted by the Town Council 19 January 2016 Updated 30 January 2017 Review January 2018

LISKEARD TOWN COUNCIL GRANT APPLICATION FORM

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

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

Name of Applicant / Organisation	Get together-Cornwall C.I.C
Person to contact	Claire Finnegan-Vyse
Position Held	Founder & Director
Address	Great Twelvewoods Farmhouse Twelvewoods Dobwalls PL14 6JZ
Telephone	01579 326683 / 07904436196
Email	claire@gettogethercornwall.org.uk
How are you funded?	We are a not-for-profit community interest company limited by guarantee. We offer a service to families living with ASD by voluntary contributions and donations with a small amount of self-funding.
What benefits will your project give to the town, visibly or in the Community? Who in the Town will benefit?	We support a large number of families living with Autism and Aspergers within Liskeard and the surrounding areas. By providing projects like the 'Wild & Alive with Autism Project' we are creating opportunities for social interaction with a focus on inclusion, when supporting our families at Get together-Cornwall we are answering the need of our members by encouraging them to engage in activities that prevent isolation and so build on a person/family self confidence. Having to care for a child/person with ASD (Autistic Spectrum Disorder) is a lonely, bewildering, isolating and confusing path, which does not get better once a diagnosis is obtained. The 'Wild & Alive with Autism Project' has a positive effect on both the person affected by ASD and their family network. It has been documented that people with both physical and mental
	health issues received a huge amount of benefit when being introduced to animals in this particular environment.

A brief description of your project	We have created a safe and understanding out-door learning space, we are in the process of introducing of animal therapy sessions using ducks and alpacas. By interacting with animals in a therapeutic setting, it is known that the animals can help reduce blood pressure and improve overall cardiovascular health. When people are introduced to animals in this type of setting, the person releases endorphins that produce a calming effect. Within the 'Wild & Alive with Autism Project' we are creating a out-door learning space with a strong focus on animal and human interaction. We are looking for financial assistance in gaining two of our animal houses.
Have you previously received a grant from Liskeard Town Council?	NO (a) When (Date) N/A
If 'Yes' please indicate	(b) Amount received £ N/A
What is the total cost of your Project? What sum of money are you looking for from the Town Council? How is the difference to be funded?	£3661.46 £2101.46 This is to purchase two animals houses: 1) Duck house = £301.46 2) Alpaca house = £1800.00 The difference will be funded via donations, another grant application (Groundwork UK Tesco Bags of help) and planned fundraising events.
Name of your Bank Account (Account Payable to)	Barclays Bank Account No. 83703592 Sort Code 20-50-40 Payable to Get together-Cornwall C.I.C
Charity Number or Registered Company Number (if applicable)	Charity Registered No. 09035741 Signed Date 16th September 2017
	Date Total September 2017

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