

DENBY DALE PARISH COUNCIL

COMMUNITY GRANT APPLICATION FORM 2010-2011

Please read the attached guidelines before completing this form. Please use black ink and block capitals. You may continue on a blank sheet if necessary, but please put the name of your organisation on any additional sheets.

A. Your organisation

Please give us the following information about your organisation:

Name of Organisation:

Address:.....

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.....Post Code:

Description of your organisation's activities. Please list your aims and objectives.

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How long has your organisation been in existence?

B. Contact Details

Name of contract:

Position:

Address for correspondence (if different from above):

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.....Post Code:

Tel:.....(daytime)(mobile)

Email:

C. Your Application

a) Brief description of project or scheme for which grant is intended

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b) Who will benefit from the proposed project or scheme?

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c) Total cost of project or scheme: £..... d) How much are you applying for? £.....

Please give an itemised breakdown of the expenditure for which this money which is being applied for. This must include evidence (i.e. suppliers' estimates or price lists) of the likely cost of all items of expenditure, e.g. goods or labour costs.

ITEM	COST £
TOTAL	

d) Have you made any grant application to any other body for grant aid for this project? Yes/No. If yes please give details:

Name of organisation applied to	Amount applied for	Date of Application	Amount Received

If you have received any other sources of funding, not specified above, please give details:

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D. Previous Applications

Has your organisation previously applied for a grant from this Parish Council? If YES, please give details of the project and the date and amount of any grant received.

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E. Additional Information

Are there any other comments you wish to make to support this application? Please give this information below, or attach a separate sheet:

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F. Your Financial Situation

All applications must be accompanied by the following financial information: **If you do not supply this information your application will not be considered.**

- A copy of your latest audited accounts or other financial report which indicates your financial position
- Photocopy of bank statements covering the past year
- A statement of your capital assets, if any
- A copy of your organisation's constitution

The council may request additional information depending on the project and the amount of grant sought.

Signed:.....

Date:

Please return to Hazel Chowcat, Parish Clerk, Denby Dale Parish Council, Council Offices, Commercial Road, Skelmanthorpe, Huddersfield HD8 9DA. Applications for community grant aid will be considered by the next Council or finance committee meeting. You will be notified whether or not your application has been successful as soon as possible after a decision has been taken.

If you have any queries, please contact the Parish Clerk on 01484 222963 or email denbydaleparishcouncil@kirklees.gov.uk. The office is open Mondays and Tuesdays from 9am to 3.30am.

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Date received:.....
 Grant awarded:.....
 Amount:.....

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Community Grant Aid Guidance Notes

The Community Grant Aid scheme is aimed at projects which offer improved facilities to a large area of our community. The size of any grant awarded is at the discretion of the Council and grants are generally awarded to bona-fide local groups looking to provide or improve local facilities in line with the Council's objectives. This scheme is run separately from the Small Grants Scheme which is decided on at the November meeting of the Finance & General Purposes Committee. Grants under the Community Grant Aid scheme may be applied for at any time during the Civic Year, subject to availability of funds. The amount available for community grant aid is set annually in the Parish Council's budget.

The Council can only award grants using certain legal powers. Where there is no statutory power specific to the activity for which the grant is sought, such as grants to a sports club or for a band, the Council may use section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972 to give grants to community organisations. This power may only however be used if its use will benefit **some or all of its residents or some or all of the area and where the benefit obtained is commensurate with the expenditure incurred.** .

The critical words are **some or all** - in both cases. This means that grants to individuals are not feasible, and grants where the activity would not obviously benefit the Denby Dale parish area are equally problematic - however worthy the Councillors may feel the project to be.

Grants must meet the Council's grant criteria which are set out below and applications must be made on the Parish Council's application form. Application forms will be available from the Parish Clerk on request. All applications must be accompanied by appropriate accounts or supporting financial information as set out in the application form.

1. All applications will be considered on their merits, but in general grants will be awarded for capital projects, such as the purchase of equipment, works to buildings, improvements to premises. In addition the Council may support a community event, festival or other special event. The Council does not normally give grants towards running costs, salaries or consumables, unless there are exceptional circumstances.
2. Grants will be awarded to voluntary groups and societies, clubs, not-for-profit organisations, charities operating in the Denby Dale area where the benefit will be for the this area alone.
3. Grants **will not be awarded** to individuals or to regional or national charities unless it is for a specific project in the Denby Dale area where there will be obvious benefit to the Council's area.
4. The purpose for which the grant is made must be in the interest of the Denby Dale area or any part of it or all or some of the inhabitants of the Denby Dale area which is defined by the boundaries of the Parish Council. The benefit to the area or inhabitants must be commensurate with the expenditure.
5. The project for which funding is sought must not seek to duplicate or compete with an existing facility or compromise the viability of an existing facility.

6. Groups from outside the Parish who can demonstrate direct benefit to the area are eligible to apply.
7. The Parish Council will take into account any previous grant made to an organisation or group when considering a new application
8. No grant will be awarded to or for any commercial venture for private gain.
9. Retrospective applications will not be funded where the expenditure had been made, the project has been carried out or the event has taken place.
10. All grants will be conditional upon submission of audited accounts and supporting documentation detailing costs of capital expenditure, project or events for which the funding is being sought.
11. All grant recipients are required to provide the Parish Council with a brief report, including photographs, of how the grant has been utilised, how it has assisted the organisation or group and what it has achieved. This must be submitted within two months of the purchase of the capital equipment or completion of the project.
12. If the grant is put to purposes other than those for which it was awarded without the prior approval of the Parish Council, the recipient organisation or group will be required to repay the grant to the Parish Council.
13. The organisation or group should supply such information as the Parish Council may request regarding the impact of the project on the Parish Council's area.
14. Recognition of the grant from Denby Dale Parish Council must be made in any publicity.

Approved by the Finance & General Purposes Committee
16 March 2010