

HENSTRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL

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GRANT AWARDING POLICY

1. Each application is to be considered on its merit; the amount of grant will be at the discretion of the Council but will not normally exceed twenty per cent of the approved cost.
2. The purpose for which the grant is made must be in the interest of the Henstridge Parish or any part of it, or all or some of the inhabitants of the Henstridge Parish. The Henstridge Parish is defined by the boundaries of the Parish Council.
3. The application must relate to some specific item of expenditure or project and not to any regular item or maintenance or such other revenue item.
4. The closing date for application for grants is 31st August, these will form part of the precept application and therefore will be paid in April of the next year, when the precept is received. Applications received after this date for less than £100 will be considered for a maximum grant of £30 until the funds for the year are used.
5. No grant will be payable to or for any commercial venture or for private gain.
6. Applications from individuals will not be accepted.
7. Applications from national organisations may be accepted if there is a local branch that is used by residents of the parish and it can be proved that this benefits the residents of the parish.
8. All grants will be conditional upon submission of Audited Accounts.
9. The Council will endeavor to treat similar projects equally.
10. The Committee will take into account any previous grant made when considering a new application.
11. Recipients of grants from the Council may be required to attend a meeting of the Council to inform Members how the grant has been expended.
12. All grant recipients are required to provide the Council with a brief report of how the grant has been utilised, how it has assisted the organisation and what it has achieved; and such report may be published in the Council's newsletter.
13. Acceptance of a grant will be taken as permission for the Council to publish such articles in its newsletter/ web site.