

Thornhackett Parish Council

Grant Awarding Policy - Guidance Notes to Applicants

Please read these application guidelines carefully before you start your application.
The maximum amount you can apply for is £250

Note that these grants are not a statutory service and are available at the discretion of Thornhackett Parish Council. Applications may take several weeks to process.

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You can apply for this fund if you are: 1.A formally constituted, not for profit community or voluntary group or registered charity.	You cannot apply to this fund if you are: 1. A statutory body such as a local authority Police, or a health body.
2.A community/voluntary group based in the Thornhackett Parish, which provides a direct benefit to the local community.	2. Proposing a project that DOES NOT benefit Thornhackett residents.
3. You can be one of the above, based outside the Parish Council area providing your project/activity is delivered within the Parish and is for the sole benefit of its residents.	3. A politically affiliated group, or a group proposing a project that includes part political activities or activities that area statutory obligation.
4. Schools which have Academy status	4. A group who has not provided satisfactory monitoring for any previous grants received from this fund.
5. Parent Teacher Associations and 'Friends Of' groups, as long as they can demonstrate voluntary status.	5. A group who has received a grant within the last 12 months from this fund, (this is the date from which you received your payment)..
6.We welcome applications from religious or faith organisations, but will not fund religious or faith based activity.	

What do we fund?

The following lists are not a definitive guide and we do encourage you to contact the Clerk for further guidance on your application. Please see contact details at the end of the document.

What we fund:	What we do not fund
1.We fund small projects organisations may want to do that benefit the local community	1.We do not fund projects that cannot meet at least one of the following criteria: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• A place to be proud of• A place to call home• A place where people prosper
2.We do fund 'core' costs for projects the demonstrate sustainability	2.We do not fund 'running' costs, which includes utility costs and other items that contribute to the daily operations.
3.We do fund contributions to larger projects, however you MUST have ALL the rest of the funding in place.	3.We do not fund parts of larger building projects such as new builds or buying vehicles such as minibuses.
4.We do fund computer equipment as long as there is clear evidence of need.	4.We do not fund equipment that does not relate to a project that benefits the local community.
5.We do fund hall hire provided it is part of the project you are delivering and not part of annual core running costs.	5.We do not fund one off events that cannot demonstrate a lasting benefit for the community.
6.We do fund publicity, leaflets, stationery, equipment and promotional material as long as they are part of the project you are applying for.	6.We do not fund one off social outings for members of organisations unless it has a cultural or educational benefit that CLEARLY demonstrates a community benefit.
7.We do fund events to raise awareness of a subject e.g. well being or health as long as there is a lasting benefit.	7.We do not fund County wide projects, they must be specific to the Thornhackett area
8.We do fund towards refurbishments of community buildings, however you must be able to demonstrate that you have the rest of the funding in place.	8.We do not fund individuals, i.e. people who are not part of a group or organisation.
9. We do fund projects that show a lasting community benefit.	9. We do not fund projects that may have an on cost to the Parish Council.

