RINGWOULD WITH KINGSDOWN PARISH COUNCIL Project and Grant Policy

Who can qualify?

Grants can be awarded to support an action in the Ringwould with Kingsdown area which supports the community generally or a group of people within it.

Organisations must be properly constituted, not-for-profit and be able to indicate how the supported activity will benefits residents. Grants can be made to existing as well as newly formed organisations, but not to national organisations not having a locally based group. Grants will generally support one-off costs and (only in extreme cases) running costs. But this is not limited to capital costs. For example, one-off training costs, a survey or marketing efforts could qualify. The Parish Council welcomes proposals for feasibility studies for potential future projects.

Each application will be considered on its merits.

How much is available?

Within the Council's budget the budget heading for community grants individual awards will normally be up to £1,000

Groups can also propose larger projects to be supported and may include a request for the active involvement of the Council in helping to deliver the project, providing the Council has the capacity to carry this out. The cost of Council time may be deducted from any actual money granted towards the project. The budget for all larger projects is currently limited to £5,000.

Because the budget is limited, no grant can exceed £5,000 and no organisation can receive more than two grants within a period of three financial years.

When to apply?

Applications will be considered throughout the year, but any award granted must be spent within 12 months of receipt; in addition, a report on how the grant benefited the group or organisation along with financial statements showing expenditure should be received by the Parish Council within the time frame stipulated above.

Each application will be considered on its merits and assessed using the criteria in the published Project and Grant Application Assessment Form.

For further information please contact the RwK Council Clerk at clerk@ringwouldwithkingsdown-pc.gov.uk