SEBERGHAM PARISH COUNCIL

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Grant Policy

1 POLICY AND GUIDANCE

- 1. Sebergham Parish Council ("the Council") may award a grant to local organisations who have charitable objectives and operate on a not-for-profit basis.
- 2. Grants are to help organisations meet capital or running costs.
- 3. In this context "local" means that the organisation is based within the parish of Sebergham or it provides services/activities that benefit Sebergham residents, tourist economy and/or businesses.
- 4. Monies awarded through this process are drawn from a limited budget and organisations are limited to one application per year. The application should be supported by information on how the balance of funding is being met.
- 5. Grant applications will NOT be considered from:
 - Private business ventures
 - Other local authorities
 - Any political body, pressure or lobbying groups
- 6. The Council will not make grants to organisations whose accounts are not in good order.
- 7. Other than in exceptional circumstances the Council will not fund:
 - Organisations which are properly the subject of statutory funding
 - Retrospective applications
- 8. The Council requires any organisation applying for a grant to comply with the spirit and the letter of the law in respect of providing an equal and non-discriminatory service to all eligible for its services. Any evidence that this is not the case will disqualify an organisation from being offered a grant, or if a grant has already been offered will result in the offer being rescinded.
- 9. Applications must be submitted on a form available from the Clerk and be accompanied by all the relevant documents including financial information.
- 10. Applications submitted without the required supporting documents will be returned and only considered when ALL the required information is submitted.
- 11. It is the responsibility of the RFO to require that applicants supply to him/her such information as he/she considers necessary to satisfy him/ herself of the financial integrity of the applicant prior to referring the application to the full Council.
- 12. Applications will be determined by the full Council. Members will be provided with a copy of the grant application and supporting documentation. The Council may request representatives of an organisation to attend a meeting to make a presentation on the work of their organisation and / or their application. Council meetings are open to the public and there is a section available for public questions.
- 13. All applicants will be informed in writing of the Council's decision regarding their grant application.

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