

GRANTS/DONATIONS POLICY

Llanyre Community Council will consider applications for grants from voluntary groups or charitable organisations. The Council defines a voluntary group as a non-profit making organisation, set up and run by a voluntary, unpaid management committee.

The Council can only donate funds to organisations if the Council have a 'Power' to do so.

To qualify for an award the applicant must be able to demonstrate that any funding from the Llanyre Community Council will benefit the community, or residents of the community.

Llanyre Community Council is funded by the residents and therefore has only limited funds available to assist community organisations located and working in the community for the benefit of the community.

Subject to funding being available, Llanyre Community Council is committed to providing assistance and support to local community groups which are set up to promote community life for its residents. The Council's financial support is provided by way of Grants/donations which are decided against criteria set by, and which can be amended from time to time by, Llanyre Community Council.

In order for this Council to be able to assess applications rationally and objectively, many of which will inevitably be totally dissimilar in content, it is both necessary and helpful to assess all applications received against a range of criteria. These are designed to be a general indication of need but are not exclusive and can be flexibly applied.

Grant applications will be dealt with by the Full Community Council.

In determining the validity of an application, the Community Council will refer to the following guidelines:

In general, the following principles apply:

1. Assistance will be given on the basis of need, merit and contribution to the local community.
2. Applicants must clearly show how any assistance given will benefit the people living in the community council area.
3. Any assistance given will be subject to on-going monitoring and subsequent evaluation of the outcome of the grant.
4. Organisations should not make a presumption that funding will continue on a year to year basis.

Applications will be considered for the following purposes:

1. For the purpose of purchasing equipment either in part or in full.
2. For the funding of transport that will enable group members to partake in a group trip or outing regardless of their incomes.
3. For training activities, or to purchase the expertise of an outside trainer/ instructor/ facilitator.
4. For activities that raise the profile of the area.

5. For running costs of a viable group that is experiencing a period of hardship.
6. For hosting special events or celebrations.
7. For the provision of recreational facilities..
8. In addition to supporting 'local' community based projects for the above purposes we will consider applications from County, Regional and National Charities based in Powys or that can be seen to have significant benefit to our community.

Conditions: -

1. Grants will not be awarded to individuals
2. Additional applications within a 12 month period will not normally be considered.
3. The award must be used for the purpose for which the application was made.
4. If the group is unable to use the award for the stated purpose, all monies must be returned to Llanyre Community Council
5. All awards must be properly accounted for and evidence of expenditure should be supplied as requested. If Llanyre Community Council is not satisfied with the arrangements, they reserve the right to request a refund of monies awarded.
6. Donations to Registered Charities in response to a general fundraising appeal will be restricted to an upper limit of £25.
7. Groups operating outside the community boundary will normally be limited to an upper limit of £25.

Eligibility:

1. Any Charity, Voluntary Group or Community Organisation.
2. Agencies that operate within Llanyre Community Council Community and are of benefit to the local community, with the following provisos:
 - Llanyre Community Council will not fund activities that it considers to be the responsibility of a Statutory Authority.
 - Applications from schools for an activity that takes place within the school day will not be considered.
 - Llanyre Community Council will not fund activities outside its powers and functions.