



CORNFORTH PARISH COUNCIL GRANT GIVING POLICY

1. GENERAL POWERS.

1.1 Section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972 allows a Local Authority, subject to the provisions of this section to incur expenditure which in their opinion is in the interests of, and will bring benefit to, their area or any part of it or all or some of its inhabitants. In addition, the section states that the direct benefit accruing to their area or any part of it or to all or some of the inhabitants of their area will be commensurate with the expenditure to be incurred.

2. THE PARISH COUNCIL'S POLICY.

2.1 The Parish Council has adopted the following policy for the giving of grants and donations:

- i) All applicants, whether individuals or organisations are required to make application to the Parish Council in writing stating the amount requested and the purpose to which it will be put. Where appropriate, the Parish Council may seek additional information prior to making a decision.**
- ii) All organisations which the Parish Council is of a mind to support shall submit a full budget breakdown of the proposed activity, plus their last audited accounts, bank details, constitution and membership, save when such details have already been submitted in any given financial year.**
- iii) All applications received will be considered as agenda items by the Parish Council at its normal public monthly meetings.**
- iii) The Parish Council has limited funds for donations and grants would normally be targeted to activities and groups which benefit as many people as possible in Cornforth. In this context, appeals by national and regional charities made as part of a wider fund raising campaign would not normally be granted.**
- iv) All applications received by the Parish Council will be considered and the decision conveyed in writing to the applicant.**
- v) Where the Parish Council is unable to assist, or feels that another source of funding would be appropriate it will advise the applicant accordingly.**
- vi) Any applicant receiving a grant in excess of £100 will be required to acknowledge Cornforth Parish Councils' contribution and set out how this will be achieved.**

Approved by Cornforth Parish Council:8th March 2010R. A. Sunman. Parish Clerk.