

CAM PARISH COUNCIL

CODE OF PRACTICE FOR MAKING GRANTS

- 1) On recommendation of Finance & General Purposes Committee, Council to agree an annual budget for grants to organisations that benefit the local community
- 2) Applications for grants to be invited for consideration in April and October each year with the annual budget to be divided between the two rounds
- 3) The availability of grants to be advertised one month before decisions are due to be made
- 4) Applications to normally be on pro-forma issued by the Council
- 5) Applications to include details of the purpose of the organisation, how this benefits Cam residents and the precise purpose to which the grant will be put
- 6) Applications to be accompanied by a copy of the latest available accounts of the organisation
- 7) Applicants who have previously received Council funding shall be required to confirm how this was used
- 8) Council may annually agree a specific priority area for grants, e.g. for the benefit of young people, benefit of the elderly, environmental enhancement etc.
- 9) FGP Committee will prioritise applications as follows:
 - a) Meets any Council priority area
 - b) Benefit to Cam residents
 - c) Likelihood of the organisation being able to attract funding elsewhere
- 10) Grants will not normally be made to organisations which:
 - a) Exist mainly to promote the hobby interests of a small group of individuals, rather than for the benefit of the community as a whole
 - b) Are part of a wider or national network which receive central funding
 - c) Political organisations
 - d) Religious groups where the purpose of funding would be to promote particular religious beliefs (grants for maintenance of church fabric or grounds, or for projects of general community benefit will be considered)