



2020 WYCHAVON

Community grants scheme

Creative communities



Some examples...

- 1. Pershore War Horse Memorial Project** was awarded £4000 towards the cost of building and installing the sculpture.
- 2. Overbury Village Hall Management Committee** was awarded £5000 towards the cost of the refurbishment of the Village Hall in Overbury.
- 3. Droitwich Spa Bowling club** was awarded £1,800 towards the cost of additional changing facilities.
- 4. Pershore Riverside Youth Centre** was awarded £2000 towards the cost of updating the music room for the use of young people and the community of Pershore.



For further information

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www.wychavon.gov.uk/grants

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The main focus this year is on Creative Communities, placing an understanding of creativity and culture at the centre of community development. We wish to encourage the creative potential of all our residents in imagining the communities they want to live in and use the arts to address issues around health and inequality. We want to ensure that community projects are sustainable and inclusive, helping to provide the tools and support, creating opportunities for the people of Wychavon to realise ambitions and set priorities for the future.

Projects could include:

- Workshops for people with dementia
- Intergenerational projects
- Activities for all abilities within the community
- Village hall improvements e.g. extensions
- Play equipment/activities

Whatever your project is... the most important things are:

- It meets local needs and benefits local residents
- It has community support
- It is well planned and involves as many people as possible
- You can meet the full costs of the project through other grant aid and the groups own fund raising efforts.
- The project is sustainable in the long term



What is the aim of the grants scheme?

Grants are available to local voluntary groups and charitable organisations that aim to:

- Support initiatives that improve services and facilities for the local community
- Encourage local action to improve quality of life
- Support activities in the local community that the council would like to, but does not have the resources for
- Contribute towards the council's priorities, as set out in Wychavon's strategy which can be found on the website at www.wychavon.gov.uk/ourstrategy

We particularly want to fund innovative, new projects that will make a lasting difference and improve the quality of life in Wychavon.

Projects we have funded in the past include setting up youth groups, village hall refurbishment, arts initiatives and a wide range of sports projects.

How can you apply?

To apply for a Wychavon Community Grant, follow these steps:

1. Choose your project. It can be a one-off scheme with a distinct start and finish, sponsorship of an event or support for an ongoing initiative.
2. Request a grants pack by either visiting www.wychavon.gov.uk/grants or contact Tracy Grubb | T: 01386 565168 E: tracy.grubb@wychavon.gov.uk
3. Attend a funding session (details of these can be found in the grants pack)
4. Fill in the forms. Application pack is available from **7 January 2020**.
5. When gathering supporting information, it is important that the following things are included in your application:

- Evidence of local support and how it meets community needs.
- Audited, or independently verified, balance sheets and revenue accounts for the past two years. If these are not yet available please supply interim accounts or balance sheets.
- A copy of the organisation's rules and regulations and/ or constitution.
- Copies of estimates and budget relating to work which for which the grant is being sought for.
- Where appropriate, plans of proposed work.

6. Submit your application: Make sure that the application is filled out fully and correctly, as well as including all of the supporting evidence necessary.



All applicants have to attend a briefing either on the 4 Feb, 25 Feb or 10 March
Closing date for applications is noon on Friday 27 March 2020.
No applications will be accepted after this date in any circumstances and incomplete applications will not be processed.