Llandwrog Community Council

Policy for the Awarding of Financial Contributions

Set out below are the aims & conditions of financial contribution by the Community Council to **non profit making local organisations**

The Power to Act – Local Government Act 1972	Section 137 (1) of Act 1972 allows a community council to spend on activities which it does not have specific powers, if the Council considers that the expenditure will directly benefit the area, any part of it, some of the residents or all of the residents, provided that the cost is consistent with the benefit. Section 137 (3) of the Act also allows community councils to spend for certain charitable and other purposes			
The Council's Intention	 The Council's intention is to support a vibrant community The Council recognises and supports the value of the work that the voluntary sector does in the community. The Council will provide financial assistance to non profit making organisations that works for the benefit of the residents of Llandwrog Community with the aim of improving the choice of services or activities within the community. 			
Timetable	Applications to be presented to the Council by 31 January The Council will arrive at a decision in the February full council meeting.			
Welsh Language	The group applying for financial contribution must promote the Welsh language & culture			
What can the contribution be used for	Capital worksRunning costs			
How much financial contribution is available?	 Only one application per organisation in any one financial year. The Council will give contributions of different amounts There is no maximum amount set out but there is a limit on the Council's budget. Each question must be answered completely & truthfully on the application form to convey the complete picture of the work of the organisation in the community. 			

Who and What is not eligible?

- Individuals (e.g. sport persons looking for sponsorships)
- For branches that can be funded through their main organisations.
- Organisations / initiatives that are intended to make a profit.
- Projects that have a political or religious ethos;
- Projects which discriminates on the grounds of age, colour, impairment, marital status, lifestyle, and culture, nationality, race, gender, sexuality or economic or social status.
- Services funded by statutory budgets
- The Council may refuse financial assistance to organisations that should be funded from other sources.
- Buildings that are not insured.
- Maintenance or repair costs (except in exceptional circumstances)
- Salary, travel costs o'r standard administration costs
- Hospitality

How to make an application for contribution?

- Completed application form which is available from the Council Manager or on the Council's website.
 www.llandwrog.org/events
- The latest audited accounts and balance sheet
- Latest Bank Statement
- The Council can ask for further information to support any applications.
- It is expected that each applicant will have read and agreed to the requirements that is set out in this policy.
- If an organisation is unable to continue with a project then any or all of the contribution must be repaid.
- The Council may ask for evidence that of expenditure and may ask for the contribution to be repaid if no evidence is forthcoming.
- The contributions must be used for the purpose

. The Council's decision will be final