

Substantial Grants Terms & Conditions

At Frome Town Council our aspiration is to support:

- A positive and inclusive town, where no one gets left behind
- A clean, healthy and happy town
- A thriving and resilient community and local economy
- A town that actively encourages local people to participate in and feel ownership of ideas, spaces and assets
- A town which embraces innovation, takes risks, celebrates its successes, and learns from its experiences.

Not for profit organisations who have a constitution and a bank account with two signatories can apply for an FTC Substantial Grant to cover or part fund projects, activities, and organisational costs.

We welcome applications from organisations who can demonstrate:

- Their application complements the FTC strategic objectives.
- A need for this funding to support their work, with an understanding of how their work fits in with other similar projects / organisations.
- Direct positive impact for Frome residents.
- That they have considered the future sustainability of their project / organisation after the life of the grant.
- How success will be measured.

We normally expect to make grants averaging £5k - £6k however we will consider applications for up to £10k, which may be granted in exceptional circumstances, and welcome grant applications for smaller amounts. (Please also see our Community and Mayors grant programmes). We do not anticipate funding large organisations with a turnover of over £500k or national organisations, however if there is a significant local need the application maybe considered in exceptional circumstances.

Applications should be made for up to one years of costs. The Grants Advisory Panel may extend this to future years (up to 3 yrs) based on the evaluation information received.

Applications that fit the desired outcomes of the funding and support FTC's ambitions above, will be assessed by a panel of councillors and nominated community members.

Grants awarded by FTC are public money, collected as part of the precept and we are accountable to local people for all expenditure. When accepting the grant, you are agreeing to the Terms and condition below:

1) Monitoring and Reporting

Organisations receiving grants are required to report on how the funds are spent against the project criteria and budget breakdown. A form will be provided, and you will be notified of the date by which it must be completed and returned.

Frome Town Council representatives may request to visit the project, to talk to staff, volunteers and participants to gain a better understanding of its merits and benefits to local people.

2) Payment Requirements

- a. Grants should be spent for the purposes stated on the application only
- b. Frome Town Council reserves the right to recall any grant given to an organisation which ceases to operate during the financial year for which the grant has been given
- c. The Council reserves the right to request a copy of invoices/receipts as evidence that expenditure has been incurred and under spends may need to be returned

3) Publicity Requirements

- a. Frome Town Council expects its logo to appear on published information about the funded project and to be mentioned in press and associated publicity and will ask for evidence to be provided for monitoring purposes.
- b. For our own publicity material, the Council may require photos with agreement from participants and may use the name of the organisation and project
- c. Frome Town Council will publish grants awarded and summarise the projects using information contained in the grant application form.

4) Other Terms & Conditions

- a. Grant applications will only be considered where
 - i. The project or activity directly benefits residents within the parish boundaries of Frome.
 - ii. The specific project / organisation costs are not funded by any other means by FTC, including PB
- b. There is clear evidence of need for the project.
- c. The organisation has clearly defined aims and objectives
- d. The organisation has its own bank account with at least 2 authorised signatories
- e. Grants cannot cover costs that have already been incurred
- f. The organisation must be a non-party political and non-profit making. Individuals will not be funded
- g. Applications from organisations and services which receive other sources of government and local government funding must demonstrate how the project differs from their core services and how the wider community is involved (for example schools must provide evidence that the project is not for the primary purpose of teaching its students)
- h. All supporting documents are required to be submitted with the application form.
- i. The applicant must abide by all relevant laws and regulations. Frome Town Council reserves the right to request sight of the organisation's policies.

If the Council becomes aware of evidence of dishonesty or negligence which could bring the reputation of Frome Town Council into disrepute, action will be taken, and the grant terminated.

Please complete the Community Grants application form which can be found [here](#). If you would like any support in completing the application, please contact us – info@frometowncouncil.gov.uk