

FRAMINGHAM EARL PARISH COUNCIL

Charitable and Grant Awarding Policy

About the Scheme

The Parish Council is prepared to allocate a small amount of the parish precept each year to organisations or charities that demonstrably benefit the parishioners of Framingham Earl. No more than 10% of the annual precept can be allocated to grants or charitable giving.

Requests will be considered which support the objectives of the council – such as reducing rural isolation, loneliness and deprivation; improving road safety; supporting youth activities; supporting local sporting or healthy living activities or helping parishioners access local services. Those organisations need not necessarily be in the parish but must show evidence of our parishioners benefiting from the work undertaken. We will not directly support political or religious organisations unless they can demonstrate that their work is open to everyone in the parish.

The Award Process

Applications will be considered at the December meeting of the Parish Council for the forthcoming financial year, so applications must be received by the Parish Clerk by the end of October. Successful applicants will be notified following that meeting. Monetary awards will be made no later than 30th September. Emergency requests for funding may be considered at other times if appropriate. Note that the maximum amount of any award is unlikely to exceed £100, and organisations can only apply for one award per calendar year.

The information you need to submit to the parish clerk in the application is:

- The main contact details for the organisation applying for funding
- Information about the project or work for which you are applying - including details of how it meets our aims and objectives as outlined above
- If relevant, a timeline for your project – including success metrics
- Anyone else you have applied to for funding
- A copy of your accounts, if any, for the last completed financial year and, for charities, confirmation of your registration with the Charity Commission

What we will expect from you if you receive an award from us:

- A receipt for any money paid by us
- If awarded for a specific project, confirmation of the outcome of that project
- Updates telling us how our parishioners have benefitted from your work

Please refer to our website to find out more about the way we treat personal information. Please contact our Parish Clerk if you require further information – framinghamearlpc@hotmail.co.uk

Policy formally adopted at virtual Parish Council meeting on 2nd March 2021.