Adur Community Grants

January 2024

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Up to £6,500

Open Date: 24th January 2024

Deadline: 18th February 2024,

Midnight.

Adur District Council once again is opening its small grants programme for 2023/24, to assist groups and organisations make a positive difference to the people of Adur.

The focus for this round of Adur Community Grants is to fund community groups & organisations that deliver and work with children & young people. We are particularly keen to receive applications to support growth of youth provision in areas where there is little to no existing provision.

Through this fund we are also open to receiving applications from groups that are helping local people who are experiencing challenges and difficulties, as a result of the Cost of Living or address inequalities.

1. BASIC FUNDING CRITERIA

Grants will be awarded to not-for-profit organisations, working for the benefit of **Adur**. To apply, your group does not have to be a registered charity but you do need;

- A constitution or set of governing rules
- Accounts or records of expenditure
- A bank account; or a partner organisation willing to hold the money for you
- To deliver the project/activity within the Adur District.
- To have suitable and relevant policies (such as safeguarding or insurance) to run your project
- To be ready! You'll need to start spending the money within six months of receiving the grant

2. PRIORITY FUNDING AREAS

The Adur Community Grants are designed to enable and facilitate groups/ organisations through providing funding, to work with the communities of Adur to improve quality of life and wellbeing.

In December 2022, Adur District Council launched <u>Our Plan</u> which outlines the areas we are focusing on, through missions over the coming years. Please review this and how your project might support these.



Specifically, we are seeking projects that deliver and work with children & young people, support those who are struggling with the impact of the Cost of Living.

Adur District Council is committed to equity and diversity and recognises that funding does not always reach community groups fairly. As such, we are keen to reach organisations that are led by or support BAME (Black, Asian and Minority-Ethnic) people, disabled people, and other marginalised groups, that have been disproportionately affected by the Cost of Living. Those groups and organisations that also seek to address & reduce inequalities, as well as enhance the wellbeing of their local community will also be prioritised.

Core funds, staff costs, general overheads or capital expenditures will be considered, alongside any project costs.

Projects which have secured match funding will be considered and if successful, Adur District Council will coordinate with other match funders on crowdfunding platforms if appropriate.

3. WHAT WE CAN'T FUND

- Projects that don't benefit the residents or communities of the Adur
- Groups that discriminate on the basis of race, religion, national origin, disability, age, or sexual orientation
- Retrospective funding for activities that have already taken place
- Projects which only benefit animals
- Political activities

4. WHAT HAPPENS ONCE YOUR APPLICATION IS RECEIVED?

We will email you an acknowledgement, check that you are eligible and have supplied the information we need.

After the deadline, we will collate all applications and discuss them with internal and external partners to whom the application may be relevant.

The final decision rests with Adur District Council's Cabinet



Member for Communities and Wellbeing.

If you are offered a grant, you will receive payment up front, before your project starts (once you have agreed to our terms and conditions).

You have to return a monitoring form to us once you have spent the money or completed your project; this is expected within one month of completion.

5. HOW DO I APPLY?

Please complete the online form.

Unfortunately, you can't save the application halfway through so you may wish to prepare your answers in the word document and cut and paste them into the form.

The deadline for this round is 18th February 2024, Midnight.

6. ANY FURTHER QUESTIONS...?

Please email: rhian.francis@adur-worthing.gov.uk (Grants Manager)

If you are a new or existing organisation and would like advice and support, learning & networking opportunities with other voluntary organisations across Adur & Worthing - then get in touch with Community Works: info@bhcommunityworks.org.uk or 01903 207735.

