

Calne Without Parish Council – Application for Small Grant Funding.

If you are an individual or member of a local community group and wish to apply for grant funding of less than £1,000 please complete the form overleaf and note the criteria below. Once the document has been completed please return it to the Clerk of Calne Without Parish Council at clerk@calnewithout-pc.gov.uk or at the postal address given on the Calne Without Parish Council website – calnewithout-pc.gov.uk . Your application will be considered by Calne Without Parish Council and you will be notified by the clerk if you are successful. You may be asked to attend a Parish Council meeting to present your case for funding. Applications must be sent in with a copy of your public liability for those events/ community groups that involve members of the public.

If you wish to apply for a grant in excess of this amount or wish to start a project to deliver a particular community improvement, please refer to the document – Calne Without Parish Council – Application for Funding.

Funding criteria

In general funding is available to local groups to support them to deliver community benefits to Calne Without residents. Examples include village gardening clubs, local sports clubs etc. Note that grants may be awarded to clubs / organisations that are located outside of Calne Without Parish boundary but are open to membership from members of this parish, e.g. in the past grants have been awarded to Calne Bowls Club. Community groups may not normally make more than 1 grant application each financial year.

The following are not eligible for funding:

- Support for individuals
- Private organisations operated as a business to make a profit or surplus.
- Community Improvement Ideas that are the prime responsibility of other statutory authorities.
- Community Improvement Ideas that improve or benefit privately owned land or property.
- The activities of political organisations.
- General operational and maintenance costs.
- Repayment of loans or cost of services, equipment, or provisions in anticipation of a grant.
- Organisations that have a closed or restricted membership.
- Retrospectively for events that have already occurred, equipment already purchased, works already started or completed.
- Places of Worship (Please note this may depend on the Community Improvement Idea so contact the Clerk for more information)

Application for Grant for Voluntary Organisations Local Government Act 1972, Section 137
Please note that this application will not be considered unless it is accompanied by a copy of the public liability insurance if required and the latest set of annual accounts showing the organisations income, expenditure and level of balances. If the organisation does not prepare annual accounts, copies of the bank statements covering the previous six months must be enclosed.

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| 1 | Name of Organisation | Derry Hill Under Fives (Derry Tots) |
| 2 | Name, Address and Status of Contact | ***redacted*** Derry Tots Committee Member |
| 3 | Telephone Number of Contact | ***redacted*** |
| 4 | Is the Organisation a Registered Charity? | No |
| 5 | Amount of grant requested | £ 924.97 |
| 6 | For what purpose or project is the grant requested? | <p>Derry Hill Under Fives (Derry Tots) is a parent/guardian run group situated at Derry Hill Village Hall, meeting every Wednesday in term time. We provide an opportunity for parents, grandparents and guardians to meet with others, make friends, develop a support network whilst giving their under 5 children an opportunity to socialise, play and learn. Derry Tots has been running for 40+ years, with attendees paying a small fee to cover costs (hall hire, refreshments.)</p> <p>For the last two years, Derry Tots have been fundraising through toy sales, raffles and running a stall at the Derry Hill Village Fayre. From this, we have been able to raise a total of £669.03 to date. We have been doing this in order to purchase a new shed to be placed in the outdoor area of the village hall. This is needed in order to store the outdoor toys/play equipment. Currently, all of the outdoor toys for the group are stored in the cupboard to the rear of the hall. This is posing some considerable health and safety issues, as the equipment is really too big and awkward to be stored here. It also means that when the group is using the outdoor area, equipment has to be carried in and out by parents, and not all of the adults attending are physically able to do this. It is also resulting in the outdoor play equipment becoming damaged as it cannot be stored correctly. In addition, the outdoor equipment occasionally has to be put away</p> |

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| | | <p>muddy/wet in amongst the indoor toys, resulting in these becoming muddy/wet and damaged.</p> <p>Derry Tots has never had access to an outdoor shed; the sheds currently at the village hall are used by Rub a Dubs Nursery. No outdoor storage is provided and we do not pay for this in the hall rental agreement, which Jane Clark is happy to provide, should you wish to see it.</p> <p>We would like to erect a plastic and metal shed 6' x 8' with shelves so that we can better store the equipment. The size of the shed has been stipulated by the Village Hall Committee, in that, this is how big the area where it would need to go is. Whilst the Village Hall Committee has given us permission to have a shed, they are under no obligation to pay for such storage and so we have been raising funds for this. Should our group fold, the shed would be donated to the village hall for use by other organisations.</p> <p>We would appreciate a grant from the Derry Hill and Studley Parish Council to help us purchase and erect a suitable shed. Whilst we have been able to raise £669.03, we do now need to replace a considerable amount of broken outdoor and indoor toys and so, we need this grant so that we can put our fundraising total towards these toys. Without this grant, we will need to fundraise further for the cost of the shed and will not be able to provide the children who attend our group with an adequate number of safe toys.</p> <p>The breakdown of costs for the shed are as follows:</p> <p>Plastic shed from Buy Sheds Direct: £499.99 in sale. Base for shed: Gravel Boards at £10 each, 4 needed = £40 Gravel: £75 Delivery charge: £30 Sundries (nails, screws etc): £50 Shelves from Costco at £114.99 each, 2 needed: £229.98</p> <p>Total cost: £924.97</p> <p>Labour will be provided for free by a parent.</p> |
| 7 | What will be the total cost of the above project? | £924.97 |

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| 8 | If the total cost of the project is more than the grant, how will the residue be financed? | |
| 9 | Have you applied for grant for the same project to another organisation? If so, which organisation and how much? | No |
| 10 | Who will benefit from the project? | We currently have 43 children and 37 adults attending. Some of the adults regularly attend, some come for special events as their children attend with a childminder (11 children/adults) |
| 11 | Approximately how many of those who will benefit are parishioners? | 16 adults and 18 children are parishioners. The remaining children and parents come from Chippenham (Pewsham) and Calne, as well as Bromham, roughly within a 4 mile radius. This number fluctuates as people move into and out of the area and as members have more children. We have capacity for 60 children. During Covid, our numbers dropped significantly. The current number has been fairly consistent since then; however, we hope to see an increase in numbers from the Calne area when the new Chilvester Hill development opens. The houses lie within the catchment area for the Derry Hill School and families with young children will wish to establish themselves in the locality. |
| 12 | <p>Additional Comments in response questions raised by the Parish Council:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. It was raised that historically the group had two bank accounts, which a significant reserve in the second account. The councillors would like to confirm if this second account still exists. 2. The council also questioned if the new shed will incur additional storage costs as it increases the storage space the group is using. | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Derry Tots does have a second bank account. Previously we had two bank accounts with Barclays; a savings account for contingency and a current account. This was used up until 21/08/2023, at which point both accounts were amalgamated and emptied into our current account with Natwest. This was done as Barclays was found to be very challenging with regards online banking and changing the named treasurer. We have repeatedly asked the former treasurer responsible for this account to close it, as it is currently has £3.48 (interest earned.) As this account is no longer used, we will be closing it as soon as we hear from the last treasurer. Currently, no current members of Derry Tots have permission to close this account; it resides with the last treasurer. Following the easing of the Covid restrictions, the number of families attending Derry Tots was depleted but the hall hire costs remained the same - what |

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| | | <p>reserve funds we had were soon eroded away, hence there is less money in our account now than when Mrs Campbell-Rogers was Treasurer.</p> <p>The accounts submitted with the original application are correct and reflect the current funds held by Derry Tots.</p> <p>Our current treasurer cannot attend to confirm this, as she is about to have a baby.</p> <p>2. Councillor Campbell-Rogers referred to an agreement with the hall regarding storage hire being costed on a square meterage basis. This is true for the indoor space, however is inaccurate with regards to outdoor space. No group is charged for outdoor space currently. Jane Clark has the current agreement and is happy to share this with you. This agreement has been in place since 03/09/2013.</p> |
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You may use a separate sheet of paper to submit any other information which you feel will support this application.

Signed ***redacted*** Date 26/11/2024

Calne Without Parish Council

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