



The Thonock Trust

Grant Guidelines

Please read the guidelines carefully **BEFORE** you request or complete an application form.

The Thonock Trust has been established to improve the lives and wellbeing of those living in Gainsborough, Corringham, Blyton, Springthorpe and Lea through the provision of education, training, activities and personal development.

Eligible groups are:

1. Small Voluntary or Community organisations. This may include charities, companies limited by guarantee, and social enterprises. Other not for profit organisations may also be eligible;
2. Locally run and managed. We are unlikely to fund applicants that are local branches of a larger regional or national organisation;
3. Educational establishments (schools, colleges, adult education, excluded kids sites);
4. Individuals that want to get back into work, training or education.

What Can The Trust Fund?

- ▶ We can fund projects that benefit people still in full time education (primary and secondary schools, further education establishments), that want to encourage educational or cultural activities which are not a statutory responsibility.
- ▶ We can fund local projects that encourage and/or assist more people to become involved in local community activities.
- ▶ We can fund projects that help build a group or individual's capacity through training, skill sharing and best practice sessions.
- ▶ We can provide funding to cover activity costs eg equipment, travel and associated costs.
- ▶ Individuals who need funds to allow them to get back into the workplace or training (uniforms, course material or equipment).

Priority will be given to projects that have a long lasting impact, provide good value for money and contribute towards sustainability.

What Can't Funding Be Used For?

- ▶ Political or predominantly religious activities
- ▶ Statutory provision
- ▶ Animal welfare
- ▶ General contributions to large appeals
- ▶ Building work

About The Grants....

- ▶ Grants to groups are for a maximum of £2,000.
- ▶ Grants to individuals are for a maximum of £250.
- ▶ Payments are normally made in advance.
- ▶ Deadlines for receipt of applications are 1 June and 1 November in each year. All funds to be spent within a year of receipt.

What supporting documentation do Groups need to apply?

- ▶ Constitution or set of rules
- ▶ A local management board or committee
- ▶ A bank or building society account in the organisation's name with at least two cheque signatories
- ▶ Up to date annual audited or signed accounts
- ▶ Other relevant policies and procedures (child/vulnerable adults policy, equal opportunities)

Is This You/Your Group?

If you/your project meets the criteria then fill in the Application Form (please make sure you complete it in full, including the budget breakdown) and send it to us at the address at the bottom of the page. **If you need any help or advice on how to fill in the form please do not hesitate to call our Grants Manager on 01529 305825 who will be only too happy to help.**

What Next?

After we have received your completed application we will acknowledge safe receipt and let you know if we need any further information and also to let you know when your application will be considered by the Trust. If you are successful we will be in touch within 10 working days of the panel meeting. If you are not then we will give you feedback explaining why your application was rejected and will try to point you in the right direction so that you can find some alternative sources of funding.

Contact Us

For further information, write, call, fax, email or make an appointment to meet:

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