

GRANTS TO GROUPS AND ORGANISATIONS SUPPORTING YOUNG PEOPLE IN WOODLEY



Youth Grants are available to assist and facilitate projects that reach, engage and support young people (those aged 21 and under) in Woodley and provide them with better life chances.

Organisations are welcome to apply for an amount which will normally be capped at £3,000. However all applications, including those for amounts in excess of this, will be considered on their own merits.

The Council will prioritise the following areas:

- Financially assist services that meet the needs of our vulnerable young people
- Funding initiatives that tackle crime and anti-social behavior through supporting young people
- Funding initiatives that assist young people in gaining employment, education and training

In considering the applications preference will be given to:

- Locally organised organisations/groups, rather than national groups (local branches of national bodies will be counted as locally organised).
- Groups/organisations where Woodley residents are the primary beneficiaries of the group/organisation's activities.
- Requests for grant funding that identify specific items or projects, rather than request for a contribution to running costs.
- Requests where the Council's contribution would make a significant impact on the gross income of the organisation/group.

The Council will not normally award grants for costs that:

- could reasonably be expected to be funded from other sources
- could reasonably be expected to be funded from members' subscriptions
- seek to promote or oppose a party-political viewpoint

Successful recipients will be expected to attend a meeting of the Leisure Services Committee to provide feedback on how the grant funds have achieved the project aims.

Successful applicants will be required to:

- keep an accurate record of the way in which the funds are spent
- provide proof of purchase of a specific item to be funded, where requested

Organisations receiving a grant will be required to explain in their application how they will inform their organisation's membership about Woodley Town Council's contribution.

Applications can be made by filling in a Youth Grant application form which can be found on the Town Council's website: www.woodley.gov.uk.

Grant applications must include the following information for your organisation:

- mission statement, constitution or set of rules signed by the chairman (if you are not able to do this please explain why in the form).
- a copy of the most recent statement of annual accounts
- a recent bank statement
- a statement of income and expenditure for the current year

Youth grants may be considered by the Leisure Services Committee at its scheduled meetings throughout the year, with a recommendation made to the Strategy and Resources Committee for final approval of all grant awards.

Applications must be returned to:-

The Town Clerk
Woodley Town Council
The Oakwood Centre
Headley Road
Woodley
Berkshire
RG5 4JZ

or by email to admin@woodley.gov.uk

or by pressing the submit button if you are completing the form electronically

The Council will not award youth grants in excess of the annual budget allocated for this purpose. All applicants will be informed of the outcome of their application once the relevant Committee has made its decision. Unsuccessful applicants will be given the reason(s) for no grant being awarded. The payment of grants will be made electronically.