

EAST BERGHOLT PARISH COUNCIL

Grant Aid Policy

East Bergholt Parish Council is committed to assisting voluntary organisations and community groups by providing grant aid for projects which will benefit East Bergholt and its residents.

The Council's Strategy, Policy and Finance Committee considers grant applications and makes recommendations to Council for approval.

The Parish Council regularly advertises its powers to make such grants in order to be fair, open and transparent to all in the village and at least annually.

Requirements for Grants

Voluntary organisations or community groups wishing to be considered for a grant should write/email the Parish Council and include the following information:

- The specific amount of the grant required;
- What the funding is for;
- How the project will benefit East Bergholt and its residents and approximately how many residents will benefit;
- applicants must submit their latest annual accounts with their application

Grant aid is not available to fund individuals, commercial or statutory organisations.

In making decisions the Parish Council will observe the following guidelines:

- Approvals will depend on sufficient funds being available within the overall grants budget;
- If the grants budget has been expended, the Parish Council will be empowered to authorise virements from savings elsewhere in the budget;
- Organisations based in East Bergholt will receive preference for grants;
- Applications from county or national organisations will be considered if it can be evidenced that their activities provide positive benefits for East Bergholt residents. Amounts of grants in such case will be limited according to their benefits to East Bergholt.

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