

## **SECTION 137 DONATION**

### **Eligibility Criteria**

Grants cannot be made retrospectively and application must be made in advance of the project commencing.

Awards may be for start-up initiatives for new organisations/projects as well as grants for existing organisations.

Grants awarded must be:

- To benefit Purton and its residents – and the application should demonstrate clearly how the grant will help and how many people will benefit
- For a specific purpose and which is not directly controlled or administered by the Council
- Not for an individual (s)
- Not for political purposes
- Not for private organisations operated as a business to make a profit or surplus

The organisation will normally be expected to have clearly written aims and objectives, a written constitution and membership rules, copies of which should be submitted as part of the application.

In addition, an organisation must demonstrate that it is properly managed and able to run its financial affairs responsibly. An acceptable way for the organisation to demonstrate this would be the submission of audited accounts or accounts that have been examined by a suitably qualified person, for the previous financial year, or in the case of a newly formed organisation, a detailed budget and business plan.

The Clerk of the Council will work through any application that is submitted to ensure the information is viable for the donation scheme. Eligibility does not mean that the grant will be issued.

Examples :-

- Non for profit playgroup wants new toys for the children
- Brownie pack are fundraising for a mini bus – if the whole brownie group apply as a group and no individuals it meets the criteria
- The local non profit mini bus service wants to have new literature posted to all houses to encourage use and keep the service operational
- Local club want to purchase an overhead projector to allow more picture displays to residents at their meetings
- Local litter picking group want PPE for use
- Residents wish to produce a “neighbourhood” garden project

At all times the application should demonstrate the benefit, commensurate to the donation.