

Wootton St Lawrence with Ramsdell Parish Council

Grants Policy

Wootton St Lawrence with Ramsdell Parish Council awards grants to local organisations to help them achieve their aims and objectives. The Parish Council will only make grants to local organisations and to national organisations who provide support to Wootton St Lawrence and Ramsdell residents.

Who can apply?

Applications must be from a properly formed group, club, committee or charity, which benefits the residents of Wootton St Lawrence and Ramsdell. The organisation must have:

- A constitution/set of rules
- A bank account
- Public liability insurance

The grant can be for new projects or continued services.

Who can't apply?

- Any group whose aims the Parish Council considers to be working within a business or profit -making remit
- Individuals
- Applications where those benefiting do not live in Wootton St Lawrence or Ramsdell
- Projects that have already been completed or items already purchased
- Activities the Council considers to be the responsibility of a Statutory Authority.

How is an application considered?

The Parish Council will consider applications on the following basis:

- How well the grant will meet the needs of the community
- How effectively the group will use the grant
- Whether the costs are appropriate and realistic
- Level of contributions raised locally
- Whether the applicant could reasonably have been expected to obtain sufficient funding from a more appropriate source
- How the group is managed
- How the grant positively benefits Wootton St Lawrence or Ramsdell residents

Applicants are expected to attend a Parish Council meeting to provide any additional supporting information and answer any questions the Parish Council might have.

Applications will be considered twice a year (May and November) by the Parish Council:

Deadline for Submission	Consideration of Application
Friday 3 rd July 2026	Friday 4 th September 2026
Friday 30 th October 2026	Friday 1 st January 2026

In exceptional circumstances grant applications may be considered at other times.

Grants to successful applicants will be paid electronically.

Recognition of the grant from Wootton St Lawrence with Ramsdell Parish Council must be made in any publicity.

How to apply?

Applications for funding must be made on the grants application form, accompanied by copies of the organisation's governing document, latest accounts, annual report and AGM minutes.

Only one application per financial year can be submitted by an organisation and similar applications for more than two financial years will not be looked on favourably.