



Seedcorn Funding Policy

General Principles/Criteria

1. It is an objective of STC to encourage the activities of local groups. Offering an application for seedcorn funding is one way of giving this support and this might well enable groups to attract more substantial funding. However applicants need to understand that STC have a very limited budget and therefore the maximum grant will be £500.
2. It is a condition of any grant application that the project must bring direct benefit to the benefit of the Town as a whole.
3. Seedcorn funding will not be considered for ongoing running costs but will be considered for seedcorn funding, for supporting a special event or for a contribution to the capital cost of improved facilities.
3. Applications will not be considered without an application form which will need to be handed in before the deadline (winter or summer). The application form can be collected from the Town Council Office or from its website.
4. Applications will only be considered from established groups in the town..
5. Seedcorn funding is awarded as a one-off payment. There is no commitment for future years.
5. Seedcorn funding applications will be considered at meetings of the Finance Committee at the appropriate times of the year.
- 6 . The Town Clerk is authorised to return any application not meeting the above criteria without reference to the Finance Committee.
7. The grant recipient must demonstrate that the grant received has been applied in the manner described in the application.

Completing Section 1 of the Application Form – ‘About Your Organisation’

1. Applicants need to provide evidence that most of its members live in the town.
2. Applications will not be considered from profitmaking organisations or from groups that have any political bias or that might discriminate.
3. Applicants need to provide an ‘age profile’ of their organisation.

Completing Section 2 of the Application Form – ‘About the Funding’

1. Applicants will be expected to justify the seedcorn funding which is being sought and such justification should include how the funding would benefit Southwell residents.
2. Applicants must provide evidence of ‘self help’ and need to send with the application a set of the organisation’s latest accounts. They also need to give details of funding applications to other bodies together with the outcome of these applications..

**SEEDCORN FUNDING
APPLICATION FOR GRANT AID**

Section 1 About your organisation

Name of Organisation

Location

Purpose of the organisation

Total Number of members..... % of members in the town.....

Age profile of organisation

Contact name

Contact Address.....

Telephone numberEmail address

Section 2 About the Grant Aid

Amount of Grant applied for .£.....

For what purpose will the grant aid be used ?

How will the grant aid benefit residents living in Southwell ?

Give details of funds your organisation has raised in recent years.

What other organisations have you applied to in respect of this request ? (Please give details of amount requested and the outcome

Please send with your application a copy of your last accounts and any other supportive documents you wish to include to:- The Clerk, Southwell Town Council, The Old Courthouse, Burgage, Southwell, NG25 0EP.
Tel 01636 816103 email admin@southwell-tc.gov.uk