## **Hardwicke Parish Council**

## **Grant Awarding Policy**

- Hardwicke Parish Council has grant application forms available for voluntary and community organisations within the parish or for organisations that would benefit the residents of the parish.
- These are available from the Clerk or from the Council's website and need to be completed clearly specifying how the grant will be used and how it will benefit the local community.
- The Parish Council awards grants in June and December each year.
  Applications need to be submitted to the Clerk in May and November for presentation at the appropriate meeting of the full Council.
- Successful applicants will informed by the Clerk following the meetings of the Parish Council.
- At its annual budget setting meeting the Parish Council will determine the level of grant available for the following year

To qualify for a grant an organisation should meet the following criteria:

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☐ Be of direct benefit to the parish or parish residents.
☐ Organisations requesting grants shall explain what they want the money for and give a written explanation by using the grant forms of what they wish to spend any grant on.
□ Organisations that receive funding must have a basic constitution or an agreed set of rules governing the way they conduct their business and their actions must be able to be scrutinised by their members and the parish council