

Appendix 1

Additional funding for Community Transport schemes is to be administered through the community grant scheme. This funding is subject to the conditions contained within the Policy for the Allocation of Community Grants 2012/13 and includes the amendments listed below.

What can be funded (section 3.2)

Funding is to be restricted to applications for:

Community Transport – up to a maximum award of £9,999

Applications are welcome to assist in the establishment of, or continuation of, community transport schemes. Examples of schemes include:

- a) Community car schemes to assist people who are unable to access public or private transport;
- b) Shopmobility schemes to loan wheelchairs and scooters to members of the public who have limited mobility;
- c) Mini bus sharing schemes within parishes to purchase a mini bus to establish a new scheme or provide equipment and training to continue with an existing scheme.
- d) Vehicle purchase.

What cannot be funded (section 3.3)

The restrictions listed in section 3.3 apply, except for the following where applications can be accepted:

- For assistance in providing transport
- For vehicle purchase

Who can apply (section 3.4)

The restrictions listed in section 3.4 apply, except for the following where applications can be accepted:

- From groups who have previously received a community grant in the current financial year

Criteria for funding (section 3.5)

Higher priority will be given to applications for projects or activities which:

- Improve accessibility to residents to access essential and other services such as leisure facilities, assisting with shopping or visiting family members.

General Conditions (section 3.6)

Due to the maximum amount of funding which can be awarded, under the Community Transport category, being £9,999 if an organisation does not have sufficient funds to purchase the items specified in the application form Cheshire East Council may permit payment to be made in advance. Requests for payment to be made in advance must be supplied in writing at the time of accepting the offer of a grant and invoices or receipts must be forwarded to the Grants Officer within 14 days of purchase.

All other conditions apply under section 3.6.

Appendix to Policy Approved

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