## WARBLETON PARISH COUNCIL

### **GRANT APPLICATION 2022/23**

The window for applying for a Parish Council grant runs from 20<sup>th</sup> September 2021 to 15<sup>th</sup> November 2021. Applications received after this date will not be considered.

Grant applications will be decided by the Parish Council in January 2022. The timing of any grant will be at the discretion of the Parish Council and any grant awarded will be paid during the 2022/23 financial year, commencing 1<sup>st</sup> April 2022.

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#### **About Your Organisation**

 Briefly explain the aims and objectives of your organisation... The Rushlake Green Big Lunch started in 2015 as an annual celebration of our very special community. It is part of the national Big Lunch scheme set up by the Eden Project aiming to strengthen ties and get neighbours together in an afternoon of togetherness and fun. Our latest 2022 Big Lunch held on Sunday, 5<sup>th</sup> June was our sixth event combining a celebration of The Queen's Platinum Jubilee with the chance to get together and renew friendships and make new friendships after two tough Covid years. We had a wonderful afternoon of picnics, music, tug of war competition, classic vehicle display and free tea, coffee and cake for all, raising over £1,500 in our charity raffle for the Children With Cancer Fund in Polegate. We run our Big Lunch with very little funding, relying on sponsorship from local companies; it is a completely free of charge event with our performers generously giving their services without charge, but we have to cover increasing costs such as insurance, printing, tea/coffee/cake, table hire and various sundries; this year for instance we have purchased fabric to make tablecloths rather than using plastic cloths, and an 'A' frame for advertising.

..... ..... ..... ..... 2. Are you a registered charity?...No, but we support a local registered charity through our raffle..... If yes, charity no ..... 3. Are you a commercial or non-profit making organisation?...Non profit 4. How many members do you have?.....9 team members ..... How many are juniors.....None..... Age range..... How many are seniors.....Most are 60+ retired ..... How many are disabled.....None How many live in this Parish.....9 .....

#### About the Grant

5. What is the grant to be used for (include a brief description of who/what will benefit from the grant.....

Any money received will go towards our expenses incurred this year as detailed above, and will enable us to continue to run The Big Lunch in years to come. We should also like to purchase more fabric for tablecloths as the event is getting very popular and more people are attending. We should be very grateful for any further assistance the Council feel able to give.

..... ..... ..... ..... 6. Sum requested £150.00.....Total cost of project £850.00+ approx. 7. What other sources of funding have you investigated and what amounts have been raised?.....£100 already donated by Warbleton Parish Council £600 raised through local business sponsors £250 donated by new owners of The Horse & Groom to cover insurance costs c. £600 raised through a table top sale ..... ..... ..... 8. What would happen if this request for a grant is unsuccessful? We have raised enough sponsorship and funding for this year's event, but it would be a great help to keep money in our account to allow for next year's Big Lunch particularly since costs are likely to increase. We estimate that around 300 people attended this year which will mean that we have to take out considerably increased insurance.cover in the future.

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## **Additional Information**

# **Grant Application – Guidance Notes**

- 1. The Parish Council, when considering grants, will give priority to those groups and organisations which can demonstrate that other fund-raising efforts have been made.
- Grants will normally only be given towards specific items of expenditure i.e. equipment or capital projects and will only be paid on production of a receipted invoice. They will normally not exceed 50% of the total cost of the project.
- 3. Requests for grants must be accompanied by either audited accounts, (in the case of a Registered Charity to include a copy of the Trustees Annual Report to the Charity Commission), or a business plan for a new organisation or group. Note: please contact the Parish Clerk, if this is not possible.
- 4. Grants will not normally be made available to commercial or national organisations, statutory bodies or groups from outside the parish unless there are identifiable benefits to residents of the parish.
- 5. If part or all of the grant is unspent, the Parish Council reserves the right to request that any unspent funds are repaid

Forms to be returned to (by email if possible):

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