

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE (OPERATING) TO ORGANISATIONS, CLUBS AND INDIVIDUALS

DIVISION	BUSINESS UNIT	RESPONSIBILITY AREA
Corporate Services	Community Funding	Donations and Grants

OBJECTIVE:

To assist clubs, organisations and individuals in meeting their objectives for the benefit of the residents of Plantagenet.

POLICY:

1. The Council will prioritise applications based on what it believes will provide the greatest overall benefit to the quality of life of the residents of the Shire of Plantagenet. Generally, preference will be given to applications for funding from organisations or clubs which meet as many of the following criteria as possible:
 - a) Based in the Shire of Plantagenet, or benefit residents within the Shire;
 - b) Can clearly identify the group(s) who will benefit from the funding;
 - c) Be actively operating and meeting on a regular basis; and
 - d) Can demonstrate that the funding from the Council will improve their ongoing financial viability and financial independence; and / or the promotion of the district.
2. Requests for financial assistance should be received before the closing date (as advertised in local newspapers each January / February).
3. The Council will determine its total financial commitment to community funding for the upcoming financial year, as part of its budget preparation, and may exclude projects on the basis that it cannot be accommodated in the budget.
4. Organisations and clubs will be notified of the result of their application immediately following the adoption of the Council's annual budget.'

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