



Registered Charity No. 1192282

Grant Making Policy

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All applications for grants from individual or organisations must be in writing and will be judged by the trustees against defined criteria.

No trustee or “connected person” may benefit from an award unless the decision has been approved by the trustees and is consistent with clause 6 of the charity’s governing document.

The trustees reserve the right to apply conditions to any grant made and will not routinely provide an explanation to applicants in the event that the application is not successful

Note:

A “connected person” means:

- (a) a child, parent, grandchild, grandparent, brother or sister of the trustee;
- (b) the spouse or civil partner of the trustee or of any person falling within sub-clause (a) above;
- (c) a person carrying on business in partnership with the trustee or with any person falling within subclause (a) or (b) above;

An affected trustee must declare the nature and extent of any interest (direct or indirect) in the application and not take part any discussions of the trustees on the application.

Grant Making Criteria

Applications will only be considered for approval if the grant will

- (a) assist or facilitate the community to take part in sport and healthy recreation activities
- (b) assist in the provision of recreation and leisure facilities
- (c) support members to take part in Amateur Sports Events

Applications that support existing members and their families will be given priority. Unless an individual is already a member of the charity, applications from individuals living outside the Blackpool, Fylde & Wyre area will not normally be approved,

An award will only be made if it is

- in line with the charities objectives and any restrictions agreed with donors or other funding partners.
- determined that the grant would support the charity’s priorities and not risk or damage its reputation
- has clearly defined outcomes and mechanisms in place to evaluate whether these have been achieved

Where the applicant or beneficiary works with children or vulnerable adults the award will only be made if suitable safeguarding policies are in place.

Due diligence of the beneficiary will occur before an award is made. Where the proposed beneficiary is well known to the trustees and the relationship has been long standing the amount of due diligence undertaken will be reduced.