

Community Grant Assessment April 2020

Applicant: Menheniot Parochial Church Council
Amount applied for: £1920.00
ASSESSMENT
Overview & what benefits to the community (Section B1.5 and B1.7)
The applicant explains that this funding is to pay for: 'Upkeep of Graveyard'
Other funding from their own resources and alternative sources. (Section C1.1-1.3)
The applicant is asking for £1,920 which is half the cost of their grasscutting contract. This is the same amount that was requested in April 2017 and April 2018. This is made up of a monthly charge of £480 for a period of 8 months. Any shortfall in funding from the parish council is made up by the PCC. If the PC supports the full application, this will amount to 50% of the costs.
Numbers benefitting (Section B1.7)
The applicant indicates that 'Open all year to whole community' they have previously estimated that at least 5,000 each year will visit the church and burial ground. This figure may be impacted due to graveyard closure.
Other resources (eg volunteering) (Section C1.4)
'PCC working parties plus £1920 from fundraising/donations'
Priorities as identified by the applicant, and those of the council (Section C1.1)
No priorities listed by the applicant.
Notes
The most recent set of audited accounts (for year ending 31 December 2019) show that the PCC showed a deficit of £2,308 of unrestricted funds, based on annual expenses of £48,136 and income of £45,828. In the previous year (year ending 2018), the PCC showed a deficit of £12,072. In 2017 £1941, and prior to that (2016) a further deficit of £1941. In the early part of 2019, representatives from the parish council met with those from the church to agree a joint scheme of tendering for grasscutting. The church received three quotations of £3,360, £2,520 and £4,200, and chose its current contractor who had quoted £3,360.
Recommend £1,920.

10/4/20