KIDDERMINSTER EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION GRANTS CRITERIA

INTRODUCTION

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The Kidderminster Educational Foundation is a registered charity. It gives grants towards community projects, which fulfill its purposes and grants criteria (set out below). If you wish to apply for a grant, you should read these through carefully to see if your project meets these provisions.

OBJECTS / PURPOSES OF THE FOUNDATION

The objects, i.e., the purposes, of the Foundation are as follows:

- a) The promotion of education, particularly education in art, science and related subjects;
- b) The provision and maintenance of a museum and art gallery or either of these institutions;
- c) The development and improvement of the knowledge, understanding and practice of the arts and the crafts which serve the arts; and
- d) The provision of facilities for recreation and other leisure-time occupations, being facilities which
 - (i) are provided for persons who have need for them by reason of their youth, age, infirmity or disablement, poverty or social and economic circumstances or are available to the members of the public at large; and
 - (ii) are provided with the object of improving the conditions of life for the persons for whom they are primarily intended.

GRANTS CRITERIA

Kidderminster Educational Foundation will support community development initiatives and projects that are in accord with the objects of the Foundation, as detailed above, and meet the following criteria:-

- The project or initiative must be located in the geographical boundaries of Kidderminster Town Council with the primary benefits being derived by the citizens of the parish.
- (ii) An organisation or individual receiving the funds must either be domiciled in the parish of Kidderminster <u>or</u> the project or initiative must be administered from Kidderminster and be for the benefit of the citizens of Kidderminster.
- (iii) An organisation receiving funds should either be a registered charitable trust, an incorporated society, or other legal entity which does not derive financial benefits for itself or its owners/shareholders.
- (iv) An organisation or individual seeking funds must be able to demonstrate the community benefits for Wyre Forest and the people of Wyre Forest which will derive from the project or initiative.
- (v) In assessing a project or initiative for funding the Trustee will consider the project in its quantifiable and measurable outcome. Once approved the drawdown of funds may be aligned to project milestones.
- (vi) No funding will be approved for projects which contribute to the overhead costs of their parent organisation.
- (vii) Notwithstanding the provisions of (iii) above, the Trustee may from time to time call for or receive applications which support individual endeavour so long as such applications are in accord with the objects of the Trust.

In making grants the Trustee will also take note of the following considerations:-

- (viii) Grants may be awarded for part of, or the entire project.
- (ix) Unless there is exceptional circumstances, grants will be restricted to a maximum of £1,000.
- (x) Organisations may apply for grants either on a one-off project basis or to be disbursed over a period up to a maximum of eighteen months to support a programme delivered over that time.
- (xi) Successful applicants will not be eligible to reapply for funding until 24 months from the date of their previous successful application, neither will repeat applications for the same facility be considered during that time, and only after any previously allocated funds have been expended and accounted for to the Trust.
- (xii) Low priority will be given to any project or initiative where the applicant is likely to receive some funding from other trusts and grant giving bodies. At the time of the application evidence should be submitted which demonstrates that all relevant alternative funding opportunities have been exhausted.

Kidderminster Educational Foundation will not fund:-

- (xiii) any project or initiative whose beneficiaries or the primary outcomes for beneficiaries are not located in the Wyre Forest District.
- (xiv) any project that the Trustee considers to be the primary funding responsibility of central government or of another Local Authority.
- (xv) any organisation whose primary focus is fundraising.
- (xvi) any organisation which will then disburse the funds applied for at its own discretion or any organisation that seeks to disburse funds applied for purposes other than those initially approved.
- (xvii) private companies or organisations which derive a profit from their activities for the benefit of private shareholders or investors.
- (xviii) projects or initiatives which already derive income from central or local government contracts.
- (xix) the ongoing revenue costs, (including salaries) of any organisation, including museums and art galleries.
- (xx) repairs, refurbishment, and maintenance of existing facilities.
- (xxi) any organisation that cannot demonstrate the financial viability of the project for a five year period.

Kidderminster Educational Foundation reserves the right to alter or amend the Grants Criteria in the light of experience, in the light of economic conditions, or changes in legislation.

STATUS AND STATUTORY PROVISIONS

Kidderminster Educational Foundation is a Registered Charity, Number 527537. It is subject to the provisions of the Charities Act 1992 and 1993.

Kidderminster Town Council is the Sole Trustee of the Charity. Individual Members are not themselves trustees. It operates independently of the Council.

The Kidderminster Educational Foundation is governed by a Scheme made by the Secretary of State on 31st July 1973, varied by a Scheme approved by the Charity Commissioners on 7th August 1991. The objects of the Foundation, i.e. its purposes, are set out in the governing instrument within the Scheme.

Further to the 1991 provisions, in January 2007 the Charity Commission agreed restrictions relating to the use of the trust's capital reserves be lifted to enable the Foundation to vary the amount of capital used.

In the original trust deeds, Kidderminster Borough Council was appointed Corporate Trustee of the Foundation. Wyre Forest District Council succeeded as Corporate Trustee on 1st April 1974 under Section 210 of the Local Government Act 1972.

Kidderminster Educational Foundation Application Form

Before completing this submission, please read the attached Guidance Notes.

If you are filling this form in by hand and there is insufficient space in any of the boxes to answer the question fully, please continue on a separate sheet marked with your name and relevant question number. You can expand the boxes if you are filling it in on your computer.

For more information about this funding, please see guidance notes.

Ref Number:	For office use only	

1. Individual or	
Organisation Name	
Contact Name	
Organisation	
Address	
Telephone Number	
Email address	

2. When will the	
project take place	

3. Tell us about your project including:

- What you are going to do

- Who is involved (participants, audience etc)

- how you will tell if your project is successful

Please continue onto another sheet if necessary

10. How much will your project cost? And what will the grant requested from us be spent on?

Please specify other funding sources that you have applied for and any other financial contributions towards the project that have been confirmed.

Declaration

I/We make application for a grant from the Kidderminster Educational Foundation and declare that all the foregoing information I/we have given is true and I/we have not knowingly withheld any relevant information and understand that any false statement contained in this application form may deprive me/us from all benefits from the Foundation.

I/We confirm that the funding will be used solely for the purposes specified in this submission

Applicant Signature	
Applicant Name	
Date	

Please send completed form to:

Kidderminster Educational Fund C/o Kidderminster Town Council Wyre Forest House Finepoint Way Kidderminster Worcestershire DY11 7WF

Assessed by:
Panel recommendation:
Grant of £