

Report to the Council

Date: 15 December 2015

Joint Arrangements and External Organisations: Stansted Airport Community Trust

Council Representatives: Councillor R Morgan (Trustee)

The Trust receives funding from Stansted Airport to go to Community Projects, within a 10 mile radius of Stansted Airport.

In E.F.D.C. area this covers Fyfield, The Lavers, Matching, Moreton, North Weald Bassett, Sheering, Willingale and The Rodings.

The Trust is not likely to make project grants of more than £2000, except in exceptional circumstances. Grants will not normally be given to individuals or to organisations such as schools, pre-schools or parish councils, which receive statutory core funding, for revenue funding, or for projects already completed. Grants will not normally be given for major Heritage Restoration projects. Grants are intended to be directed towards capital projects or assets which will be retained for use by the organisation making the application.

The Trust encourages applications for projects which protect and enhance the social, economic and environmental wellbeing of the community.

Projects which benefit those who work live or work in the area of benefit will be given priority, however projects which benefit visitors to the area will be considered.

The Trust encourages applications for capital costs of projects and will not normally consider applications for running expenses such as administration costs, wages or training costs.

The trust is keen to support many aspects of community life and give grant aid to many diverse parts of the community. Examples of projects which the trust might be likely to look favourably on are;

- Projects which are of special help to young or elderly groups. For example voluntary youth groups (scouts, guides, youth clubs) the elderly or disabled.
- Projects which support community life in general, such as improvements to community facilities such as village halls.
- Places of worship which support community use.
- Arts, cultural and sports projects such as support for amateur dramas, art, music groups and sporting activities.
- Environmental and conservation schemes such as pond creation or renovation, hedgerow or tree planting.

The Trust will look favourably on applications which can demonstrate strong community support, result in a long term enhancement and enable applicants to attract other sources of funding. Efforts made by the organisation to raise their own funds and source further grants will also be noted.

Next applications must be received by 20th February 2016.

Application Forms available from S.A.C.T.

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