

Booze in the Pews – Grant-Making Policy

Local charitable organisations can apply to All Saints Church for a grant towards an activity or project.

Grants are made available from the proceeds of our twice annual beer festivals. The church aims to donate through grants around 10% of the surplus from each festival, after costs. Naturally the value of grants varies from event to event but can be in the region of £1,000.

Our grant making policy is to further our charitable aim of promoting in the parish of St. Ives (Cambridgeshire) the whole mission of the Church: pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical.

What we will support

- We will offer a grant towards a revenue or capital project that primarily benefits people living in the Parish of St. Ives (Cambs).
- Projects must align against one or more of the following charitable aims of the Church:
 - **Pastoral:** projects that provide care or advice for people in our community and especially those most in need such as the poor, the sick, and the vulnerable.
 - **Social:** community initiatives that enhance community connection and support companionship or positive wellbeing for local people.
 - **Evangelistic:** activities that promote the Good News of Jesus Christ in our community and share the love of God for all people and God's creation.
 - **Ecumenical:** projects that are delivered by a Christian organisation or church of any denomination and/or support Christian unity.
- Funds must be spent on a one-off project and not on an organisation's ongoing operating costs (i.e. not on staff salaries, overheads, insurance etc). Although you may apportion a reasonable percentage of any staffing and overhead costs if they relate to the project.
- Funds can be spent on revenue expenses for a project (including professional fees, materials, travel, etc) or capital expenses (such as purchasing equipment or contributing to building costs) or a combination of these.

Eligibility Criteria

- To be eligible for a grant you must be a charitable organisation either registered with the Charity Commission or with exempt charitable status (e.g. a school or educational establishment, another church, or similar).
- You must have a written constitution and a bank account in the name of the organisation.
- Your organisation must be based in the Parish of St. Ives (Cambs) or use the funds to deliver activity in the Parish of St. Ives (Cambs) primarily for the benefit of residents of St. Ives.
- Your project must be for public benefit and the benefit must not be limited to a small number of private individuals (e.g. a young people's club could apply for equipment or building repairs that will benefit all of their members but not for a single trip for a small number of individuals to have a one-off experience.).
- Your project must take place within one year of receiving a grant.

What we cannot fund

- Activity that is not for public benefit (i.e. that is only for the benefit of a small number of private individuals).
- Activity that does not primarily benefit residents of St. Ives (Cambs).
- Activity that directly conflicts with the values of Christianity and the Church of England. Projects do not need to be “Christian” but they do need to ensure they uphold Christian values of love, inclusion and respect.
- Ongoing operating costs of a charity or organisation that cannot be attributed to a one-off project (e.g. staff salaries, overheads).
- Costs that have already been incurred before funds are issued (retrospective costs).
- Costs for an activity that will take place more than one year after the grant has been given.

How to apply

If you would like to be considered for a grant, please complete our online application form at <https://forms.cloud.microsoft/e/Tqpa0AWipu> (you can also download a Word format copy).

We have two application deadlines per year:

1st September (for grants allocated in late October).

1st December (for grants allocated in late February)

We aim to reply to applicants within one month of applying.

If you are successful

You will be invited to provide information about your project for us to promote at the relevant beer festival including: a one-page advert in our festival programme, a graphic/image for promotion on social media, a pop-up banner (if you have one), and a line-credit to include on our festival glasses.

You will receive your grant within a couple of weeks of the close of our following Beer Festival into your nominated organisation account.

You must spend the funds within one year of receiving a grant.

At the end of your project, you must provide evidence of the successful completion of your project. This could be a photo of the activity taking place or of the project’s completion, or a short, written report, or an invitation for a church representative to see the project.

You will be asked to credit the Parish Church where possible in connection with the grant using these words: “Supported with grant funding from All Saints Parish Church St. Ives (Cambs)”. For example, on any printed or online publicity relating to the project or on any display materials.

If you are unsuccessful

We receive more applications than we can support.

If you are not successful, we request that you wait one year before re-applying.