



Morecambe Town Council

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Grants Committee - Morecambe Town Council - Terms of Reference Adopted 16 May 2024

1. Objective

This Committee is constituted in order to discharge the Grant budget of Morecambe Town Council.

This Committee will consider relevant grant applications and consider whether or not to approve these on behalf of the Council (up to the expenditure thresholds delegated).

2. Membership

Membership shall consist of 9 members, elected annually along with the Chairman and Vice Chairman of Morecambe Town Council who may attend the Committee in an ex-officio capacity with no voting rights.

The Chairman of the Committee shall be elected by the full council. The Vice Chairman of the Committee shall be elected by the Committee.

A quorum shall consist of three members.

3. Areas of Responsibility

The Grants Committee has the authority delegated in sub paragraphs i) to vi) set out below.

- i) To meet as frequently as required to consider grant applications received by Morecambe Town Council and approve appropriate grants for applications within the budget delegated to this Committee up to a maximum sum of £10,000.00, with any grants in excess of this sum being referred to a full council meeting for approval;
- ii) Where necessary, meet with applicants to discuss the detail of their application;
- iii) Agree any conditions that should be applied to individual grants awarded;
- iv) Recommend any amendments to the Council in relation to the grant application procedure or criteria;
- v) Ensure that grant applications are assessed fairly, taking into account how closely they meet the criteria;
- vi) Approve an annual timetable for applications, should the Committee consider one to be appropriate;

5. Meetings

The Proper Officer may call Grants Committee meetings when necessary. The Chairman, or two other members, of the Grants Committee may also call a meeting of the Grants Committee.

All meetings of the Grants Committee will be minuted.

6. Review

The terms of reference of the Grants Committee are to be reviewed annually.