**Richmondshire Coronavirus Grant Scheme Guidance**

**What is the Richmondshire Coronavirus Grant Scheme?**

This scheme has been introduced to support Communities and grass-roots organisations with funding for key supplies for vulnerable residents.

The Richmondshire Coronavirus Grant Scheme has been developed to offer grants to eligible groups, networks and organisations within the district of Richmondshire.

The scheme has a total budget of £10,000 to give out to help community support groups across Richmondshire.

Town or Parish Councils or Community Support Groups can apply for between £50 and £500

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| ***Please note:***   * **You need to be** a formal, constituted group with a bank account to be eligible * **Businesses** / **companies and Schools are not** eligible to apply |

**What can the fund be used for?**

Richmondshire District Council can provide funding to assist community mutual aid groups to deal with emerging issues and to reduce the impact of isolation as a result of the threat of Covid-19.

This may include (but will not be restricted to):

* Initiatives to support wellbeing of residents particularly those living alone (an example might be a Knitting Group purchasing wool to make Twiddle Muffs for vulnerable residents or the purchase of paper, ink or a printer to provide information to residents)
* Support for initiatives that will help to ensure people remain safely connected with the outside world during this time.
* Support for people facing social isolation, poverty and poor mental health during this time

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| ***Please note:***  **The Fund will not pay for food (alternative sources of funding are available through the North Yorkshire Local Assistance Fund).** |

The above guidance information should not be considered as exhaustive and if you are unsure of your project’s eligibility, or would like clarification, please contact [chloe.lewis@richmonshire.gov.uk](mailto:chloe.lewis@richmonshire.gov.uk)

Where possible we would encourage purchases to be made locally to the support the Richmondshire economy. Completed application forms should be returned by email to: [chloe.lewis@richmonshire.gov.uk](mailto:Chloe.lewis@richmonshire.gov.uk)

**Richmondshire Coronavirus Grant Scheme Application Form**

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| **1. Name of network/group/organisation:** | |
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| **2. Contact details of lead applicant:** | |
| **Name:** |  |
| **Address:** |  |
| **Postcode:** |  |
| **Telephone:** |  |
| **Email:** |  |
| **3. If you have discussed you group or application with someone from Richmondshire District Council please tell us their name below:** | |
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| **4. Amount of funding being applied for:** | |
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| **5. Description of what the funding will be used for:** | |
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**6. Please provide the bank account details of the organisation making the application**

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| **Name of Account Holder** | **Name of Bank** | **Bank Account Number** | **Sort Code** |
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| **Signature:** |  |
| **Date:** |  |
| **Additional Comments:** | |

Please note in order to monitor the effectiveness of the fund we will require copy receipts and the completion of a project monitoring form.