## **KIRKBURTON PARISH COUNCIL**

## **General Grant Scheme – VE Day Commemorations**

Grants are now available for community groups, which are planning village events to commemorate the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of VE Day.

Please complete a form giving brief details of your event and what your grant would be used for, including approximate costs. The maximum grant available is  $\pounds 250$ . Forms are available from the website, the Clerk and your Parish Councillors.

## **Deadline Dates:**

Applications must be received by the Council by the following dates: Friday 25 October 2019 and Friday 6 March 2020.

Late applications will be deferred to the next meeting, if there is one.

## **Rules and Criteria**

The General Grants Scheme will be administered by the Clerk, who will decide on the eligibility or otherwise of any application.

Eligible applications will be considered by the Grants & Community Projects Committee, which will make recommendations to Council. The final decisions will be taken by the Council on 5 December 2019 and 2 April 2020 respectively. If the applications are approved, the cheques will be sent out to applicants shortly afterwards.

The Committee may recommend payment of an application in full or in part, or may recommend refusal. The Committee may NOT recommend any payment which exceeds the budgetary limit for the category adopted by Council or which would breach any overall budgetary limit imposed by Council. The Committee, at its discretion, may defer consideration of any application before it.

The eligibility criteria for the Grants Scheme, which applicants must satisfy in full, shall be that:

- 1. Applications must demonstrate a benefit to the Parish in general, or to a defined section of Parishioners (for example children, over-60s). It is permissible to make an application which restricts benefit to residents of a named village community within the Parish.
- 2. Grants may NOT be made to an individual, and may only be made to an organisation which:
  - a) has a written constitution which states the name and aim(s) of the organisation; states the eligibility criteria for membership; requires that there is an AGM at which Officers are to be (re-)elected for a term of office not exceeding 15 months; requires that such Officers are at a minimum Chair, Secretary and Treasurer.
  - b) has an active Bank or Building Society account.
  - c) Applications from churches and schools which, by their nature do not meet the criteria at 2a, will still be eligible for consideration by the Committee, subject to the Council's legal constraints on funding these organisations.
- 3. On first application for a grant the organisation must supply a copy of its Constitution, contact details for at least one Officer and a copy of the latest bank statement.
- 4. Retrospective applications will not be accepted.