1. **Introduction**

Wychavon Active Parishes Grant are on offer to local voluntary groups, sports clubs, parish councils, schools and charitable organisations to:-

- improve services and facilities for the local community;
- encourage activity to improve quality of life;

So if you’ve got a good idea or are looking for some funding to help get a project off the ground or expand on age groups in a sports club, start up a walking group or just run some fitness sessions an Active Parishes grant could be just what you need.

2. **Who can apply?**

Applications for a Wychavon Active Parishes Grant are welcome from groups and organisations across the district. Applications must be:-

- for funding requests between £100 and £500.
- for projects within the Wychavon district or for the benefit of Wychavon residents;
- from non-profit making organisations;
- from organisations that are not politically affiliated or politically active;
- for projects that are new, not currently running

**Please note:** The maximum grant award is £500

Applications from religious organisations must be for non-religious, community, leisure and recreational purposes only.

Applications from schools must be for projects that run outside of school hours and during school holidays. We will not fund curricular activities.

Each organisation may only submit one application for a grant. So if you have more than one idea for a project you need to decide which is the most important.

3. **Projects**

Any project that will increase the physical activity levels of our residents and make a lasting contribution to their health and wellbeing.

**Projects could include:**

- Activities for all abilities within the community for example;
  - Older peoples Yoga
  - Village Hall fitness/sports sessions
  - Setting up a local walking group
  - After school sports clubs

**What is the aim of the grants scheme?**

- Encourage local action to improve quality of life.
- Support activities in the local community that the council would like to, but does not have the resources for.
4. **Grant conditions**

All successful applicants will need to provide us with data after their project has ended. We will supply you with a form which will include a few simple questions regarding how your project went and attendance.

5. **How to apply**

To apply for a **Wychavon Active Parishes Grant** follow these five steps:-

| 1. Choose your project | 2. Fill in form | 3. Submit your application |

6. **Choose your project**

Decide on a project that you wish to submit a grant application for. The term ‘project’ can apply to a one-off scheme, setting up of an active group, paying for fitness sessions or the purchase of equipment for a new activity. When considering your project you should take the following points into account:-

- will it benefit the community?
- is it achievable?
- Is the project be sustainable?

7. **Fill in the application form** (fill in online or a hard copy can be posted to you)

8. **Send in your application** (Hard copies only)

Send your completed application to:

**Tracy Grubb, Community Development, Wychavon District Council, Civic Centre, Queen Elizabeth Drive, Pershore, Worcs. WR10 1PT.**

**The closing date for all completed applications is noon on Friday 30th Aug 2019.**

9. **How grant awards are made**

The applications will be assessed by the **Sports Development Officer**.

The following points will be taken into consideration when assessing the applications:-

- demand for the project or service;
- benefits to Wychavon residents;
- how innovative and well planned the project is;
- total cost of the project;

We aim to notify all applicants of the council’s decision with respect to their grant application within 7 working days of the decision being made.