

GRANT MAKING POLICY

1. The object of the CIO is to advance any purpose which is charitable under the laws of England and Wales by making grants primarily for the benefit of the public in the communities of Llanidloes, Llanidloes Without and Llangurig.
2. To advance this object, the trustees will seek to encourage the widest possible range of grant applications from within the three communities.
3. The trustees anticipate six-monthly application cycles, each of which will have a clear deadline, namely 1ST March and 1ST October. Following each deadline date, the trustees will meet to decide what grants to award. The trustees will establish a web page for the Fund giving details of how to apply and the relevant contact details and deadlines.
4. Grants will only be made to organisations (not individuals). In order to apply, an organisation must:
 - (a) be established as a constituted organisation on a not-for-profit basis (any surplus being retained for the enhancement of the service provided);
 - (b) be governed by a board or committee where the majority serve on a voluntary basis
 - (c) be providing services or activities primarily within one or more of the three communities (and the grant application must relate primarily to those communities if the organisation serves a wider area);
 - (d) (in the case of an organisation which is not itself a charity) be capable in the opinion of the Fund's trustees of applying a grant for exclusively charitable purposes within the objects of the Fund.
5. Grants will normally only be made to support capital funding and not to support revenue costs.
6. Grants will normally be "one-off" – ie the Fund does not intend to award multi-year grants. However, an organisation which has received a grant may apply for further grants.
7. The trustees will have discretion, within the funds available each year, to decide on the number and size of the grants to be made.
8. (a) Where in a six-monthly cycle the Fund receives more applications than it can readily support, the trustees may apply appropriate prioritisation and scoring systems to decide on the grant awards to be made.

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(b) A trustee who has an interest in a specific application (even a non-financial interest such as a voluntary role in an organisation applying or a family member using the organisation's services) must make that clear to the other trustees and take no part in the decision in that application.

9. The trustees must set an appropriate reserves policy in deciding what funds to retain at year end for future grants and for administrative expenses of the charity. Funds not needed for immediate grant-making in the short term may be invested. However, the funding received is *not* to be treated as an endowment and the aim will be to disperse funds reasonably promptly in accordance with the objects of the charity.
10. All grant awards made will be reported in the CIO's Annual Reports and Accounts to be filed with the Charity Commission.