COMMUNITY FUND CRITERIA AND APPLICATION INFORMATION

Isles of Scilly Steamship Group is committed to making a difference in the communities in which they serve and has set aside a £30,000 fund for community projects.

The community fund will support a wide range of not-for-profit projects which provide long-lasting benefits for the communities of the Isles of Scilly and West Cornwall. The main aim of the fund is to support local projects and good causes that have a tangible on-going positive impact from a community, social or environmental perspective. The fund will be administered by the Isles of Scilly Steamship Group and will be chaired by one of the Company's non-executive directors supported by an independent panel of community representatives.

The committee are responsible for defining and reviewing the eligibility criteria for the fund and they will assess the impact of the scheme on the communities it aims to serve. The committee will meet at least three times a year to evaluate bids for funds and award relevant sums to individual projects. Applicants will receive a letter notifying them whether or not their application has been successful following each of these Committee meetings.

Project organisers can apply for grants between £1,250-£10,000 per project and there will be three application rounds each year. The Committee has the discretion to modify the minimum or maximum limits for funding or the frequency of awards throughout the year. Successful applicants are not able to reapply for another grant within a 12 month period.

PROJECT LOCATIONS

Projects for which grants are requested must be located within the West Cornwall and Isles of Scilly region as indicated on the map and including the following areas:

- Isles of Scilly
- Penzance
- Land's End/Sennen
- Marazion
- Portreath
- Camborne
- Pool
- Redruth
- Hayle
- St Ives

QUALIFYING PROJECT CRITERIA FOR SUPPORT

Not-for-profit projects that create tangible longer-term benefits in the following categories will be given priority over other applications:

- Education (all ages)
- Local projects and skills
- Young people
- Protection for the local environment
- Specific community projects

Applications for projects outside the above categories can be considered and funded by the Committee on a case-by-case basis if sufficient local community or legacy benefits can be identified.

QUALIFYING ORGANISATIONS

The following organisations qualify and are eligible to apply for funding:

- Voluntary community groups or charities
- Schools and education establishments
- Community clubs or societies
- Individuals undertaken projects for the benefit of the wider community

EXCLUSIONS

Grants will not be available for any large organisations such as:

- Commercial organisations
- Isles of Scilly Council, Cornwall Council or the Duchy of Cornwall
- Projects that only benefit one individual
- Projects that have already reached their conclusion regardless of their payment status
- Projects that promote a specific religious, social or political positioning
- Sponsorships or general fund-raising that does not have a specific target or defined end result

JUDGING CRITERIA

The following criteria will be used to review and assess applications:

- The amount of support and involvement shown towards the project from the community
- The immediate benefits from carrying out the project – economic, educational, social, environmental or otherwise
- The locality of the project
- Who and how many people will benefit from undertaking the project
- Security of the project's overall finances and likely delivery

Other considerations that will also be taken into account and should be clearly stated within the application are:

- Can the applicant/s complete the project within the specified timeframe and to an acceptable standard?
- Is the project sustainable after its roll-out, what efforts will be made to ensure its continuation?
- Return on investment
- Any other criteria that the Committee judge to be specifically relevant

HOW TO APPLY

Online Applications to the Community Fund can be made online at www.islesofscilly-travel.co.uk/community-fund

Application Form Application forms can be downloaded from our website at www.islesofscilly-travel.co.uk/community-fund or collected from our travel centre in Hugh Town, Isles of Scilly or at our Travel Centre in Penzance.

By Email You can email communityfund@issg.co.uk for an application form.

The dates for Community Fund Committee meetings will be shown on the Company's website.



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