



## AYLESBURY TOWN COUNCIL

### SPORTS GRANTS CRITERIA GUIDELINES AND ACCOMPANYING NOTES

Aylesbury Town Council wants to support young people in sport. We would wish to see a proven track record of achievement in the applicant's chosen field. The Council's purpose is to ensure that every young person in Aylesbury with a high level of competition should be given as much encouragement as possible to fulfil their sporting potential.

**Please read carefully before completing the sports grant application.**

All criteria below apply to individual and team applications.

1. **APPLICANTS MUST CONTRIBUTE 50% MATCH FUNDING.**  
*(In very exceptional circumstances a contribution of 30% by the applicant may be considered at the Council's discretion)*
2. The applicant(s) must live in Aylesbury, attend a school in Aylesbury or represent a club or organisation in Aylesbury.
3. The applicant(s) must have demonstrated commitment by achieving a high level of competition in their sport.
4. The applicant(s) must be 18 years or under, although in certain exceptional cases applications from persons up to and including 25 years may be permitted.
5. Funding can be considered for:
  - competition entrance fees
  - travel costs to and from competitive events
  - accommodation during competitive events
  - sustenance during competitive events
  - cost of specialist equipment for training and competing
  - cost of special clothing needed for competitions
  - cost of fees for use of training facilities
6. All applications must include any and all relevant information to enable the application to be assessed.

*Note: Applicants are encouraged to send a representative to address the Grants Committee to answer any questions. Any representative attending*

*the meeting should have either a copy of the completed sport grant application form or be fully conversant with its contents. If this is not possible it may lead to you not being awarded a grant.*

7. Retrospective grants will not normally be considered. All grant applications must be received no later than 10 working days before the next scheduled Grants Committee meeting and at least 3 months before any competitive event.
8. Repeat applications may be considered but the applicant must show that a determined effort has been made to gain funding from other sources.
9. Monetary limits for all grants will not exceed £1,000
10. The Town Council reserves the right to verify the details supplied in your application and may ask for independent proof of your statements. (e.g., bank statements). This may be done before or after the Committee meeting at which your application is discussed. If this is necessary it may result in a delay in a decision about your application. Any such information will be treated in absolute confidence. If false information is found to have been given the Town Council will refuse your application.
11. It is a condition by accepting the sports grant, that you participate in any promotion, publicity, and/or press arranged by Aylesbury Town Council.

#### **Other funding opportunities in Aylesbury:**

Aylesbury Vale District Council – Including Community Chest  
William Harding's Trust  
Aylesbury Vale Joint Sports Council (AVJSC)  
Bucks Playing Field Association  
The Buckinghamshire Foundation  
Awards for All (for teams)

Advice and Sporting Career guidance can be obtained from  
'Reactivate Bucks' at Bucks County Council on 01296 395000