

# Ryedale Grant Schemes 2017/18

## Project Appraisal Form

1	<b>Type of Grant:</b>	Community Grants			
	<b>Ref No:</b>	CG-005			
2	<b>Applicant Organisation &amp; Project title</b>	Thornton Dale Parish Church, Disability Access			
3	Previous Applications to RDC				
	Ref No	Project	Successful	Amount	Date
	N/A				

4	Total Cost of Project	£ 13465.00			
5	Grant Aid Requested	£ 2215.00	% Intervention	16	
6	Date site / organisation visit completed	N/A			
7	Type of scheme	Capital <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Revenue	<input type="checkbox"/>	

### Organisation

8 Is the organisation well managed?  
Yes, well documented accounts, states that membership is open to everyone. As there is no constitution I requested confirmation in writing the name and contact details of the person/organisation who has the authority to make decisions related to this project. The following was confirmed in an email from Rev J M White:

"On the matter of the 'Constitution' I have checked the Church of England paperwork and website and include here their wording:

"Charities have a range of Governing Documents. Charitable Trusts are governed by Trust Deeds; Charitable Companies will have a Memorandum and Articles; whilst Charitable Associations usually have a Constitution. Whilst Parochial Church Councils (PCCs) are charities, they are governed by two pieces of Church of England legislation, called Measures. These are:

The Parochial Church Councils (Powers) Measure 1956 as amended. This defines the principal function, or purpose, of the PCC as "promoting in the parish the whole mission of the Church". You can find the full text of the PCC Powers Measure in its currently amended form on the Statute Law Database by [clicking here](#).

and

The **Church Representation Rules** (contained in Schedule 3 to the Synodical Government Measure 1969 as amended).

An **updated online edition** of the Rules as at 1 January 2017 is also [available on this link](#)."

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9 Is the organisation financially sound?  
Yes, accounts are healthy and well documented.

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10 Is the organisation reflective of the community it services?  
The newsletter provided indicates the wide and varied audience it serves.

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11 Can the organisation manage and deliver the project?  
Yes. In the newsletter it states all the help received for previous projects and how the community came together to divert a water leak that could have caused a lot of damage.

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12 Have the needs and aspirations of the community served been taken into account?  
Yes, they published plans locally and have taken on board people's comments and concerns.

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### **Project**

13 Does the project support delivery of the Council's aims? (Please tick all that apply)

#### **Sustainable Growth:**

- Promoting a strong economy with thriving businesses and supporting infrastructure
- Capitalising on our culture, leisure and tourism opportunities
- Managing the environment of Ryedale with partners
- Enabling provision of housing that meets existing and anticipates future need
- Minimising homelessness, improving the standard and availability of rented accommodation and supporting people to live independently

#### **Customers and Communities:**

- Helping our partners to keep our communities safe and healthy
- Supporting communities to identify their needs, plan and develop local solutions and resilience

#### **Section 106 Grants:**

- Does this meet with the section 106 planning agreement description for the parish?

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14a Which ward or parish is affected?  
Cllr Janet Sanderson and Cllr Geoffrey Acomb

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14b Which communities of interest are affected?  
People requiring easier access, for example wheelchair users, people with mobility issues, people with push chairs and prams

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15 Does the project respond to a clearly defined need? How is this evidenced?  
In the early days we spoke with the local planners for their ideas. We also had visits from local disability representatives, the Disabled Living Advisor, a Social Worker, and a representative from the Highways Department. We published the plans locally and have taken on board people's comments and concerns. Finally we have applied and received, after some alterations planning permission from the National Parks Authority, the Parish of Thornton le Dale. We also applied and received advice and permission for a Faculty from the Diocese of York. (Copied directly from application form)

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16 Does the project have community support? How is this evidenced?  
Yes, this is evidenced in the Newsletter and views were taken on board following publication of the plans locally.

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- 17a Is a robust project plan in place?  
Not evidenced, but they have stated on the application form they have applied and received advice from the Diocese of York, Local Disability Reps, and Highways Department
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- 17b Flood grants only: Is there a community resilience plan in place?  
N/A
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- 18 What are the objectives of the project and what impact will it deliver?  
The Easy Access Route will improve the standards of provision and should increase participation in social and recreational facilities within the local community. Having the Easy Access Route will keep people safer and should reduce the likelihood of accidents. Enabling people to access the open space of the churchyard and the church itself to have a quiet moment or two inside or out should help build their mindfulness and thus resilience both on an individual level and hopefully as a wider local community  
(Copied directly from application form)
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- 19 Is the project budget accurate and reasonable, with a realistic plan for securing match funding?  
Yes, the majority of the money required is already in place from fund raising projects and the Churches own funds.
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- 20 Is the funding package verified?  
Yes, it comprises of the Churches own funds and fundraising that has taken place and is continuing to take place.  
Long term viability and running costs
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- 21a Is the project expected to continue beyond the term of any funding awarded by the council  
YES  NO
- 21b For capital projects is there a clear and realistic projection of income for the future maintenance of the facility – a business plan?  
It is stated fundraising is ongoing. The Church is owned by the organisation.
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- 22 Comments on the financial situation  
The accounts appear healthy and in good order.
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- 23 Are there any outstanding planning or technical issues?  
No, application form confirms planning permission has been received from NPA, it was granted 11/06/16.
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- 24 Any other outstanding concerns or issues?  
Following an email from Cllr Acomb (See No 27a for Cllr Acomb's response) and also a conversation followed by an email a colleague had/received from Revd Jo White it was stated the work the grant was for has already been completed, the following is an excerpt from the email:"I have spoken to the Churchwarden and confirmed that although work has taken place and it looks 'good' that actually there is substantial work still to be carried out and so we feel comfortable to continue with this application. The work includes the installation of electricity cables for the lighting – a separate application has been written to another body for the visible elements of that work – and this will require uplifting parts of the 'newly laid' path. (I did ask for the electrics to be laid at the same time but it was not possible for some
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Role: Community Team Officer

Date: 29/08/17

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