

Ryedale Grant Schemes 2017/18

Project Appraisal Form

1 **Type of Grant:** Section 106 Grants

Ref No: S106-013

2 **Applicant Organisation & Project title** Ampleforth Baby And Toddler Group, Equipment

3 Previous Applications to RDC

Ref No	Project	Successful	Amount	Date

4 **Total Cost of Project** £2,232.38 **NOTE: Own Funds raised £300 should have been deducted from estimate costs Application RDC £1932.38**

5 **Grant Aid Requested** £1932.38 87% Intervention

6 **Date site / organisation visit completed** 31/07/17

7 **Type of scheme** Capital Revenue

Organisation

8 **Is the organisation well managed?**
 Yes but awaiting a Constitution to be drawn up and an accounts record to be checked by an accountant. They hope to have these ready by the 11th September, but if not these will be tabled until they are received by RDC.

9 **Is the organisation financially sound?**
 Yes. It has its own funds.

10 **Is the organisation reflective of the community it services?**
 Yes. It is a educational play facility for the younger members of the community. An important early years service that is annually inspected by NYCC education services.

11 **Can the organisation manage and deliver the project?**
 The organisation has shown to the parents, and local education providers that it can manage and deliver this project. It has the backing/support and advise of the school; local child care providers/individuals, health visitors, the Parish Council and Ward Member.

12 **Have the needs and aspirations of the community served been taken into account?**
 Yes. There are a lot of newcomers in to the village with the new housing estates, with many young mothers/carers needing somewhere that is a safe, fun, sociable and educational environment for their babies and toddlers to learn to socialise, and become independent in preparation for school. The new residents are able to meet established residents, gain information on the area, make friends and become a part of the future of the Community. The children are the future aspiration of the Community, and their needs must be

met to support a long lasting infra-structure.

Project

13 Does the project support delivery of the Councils 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?

14a Which ward or parish is affected?

Ampleforth Ward and Parish Council

14b Which communities of interest are affected?

Ampleforth and the surrounding area. The young, early years age range of children, involving all parents/teachers and health care individuals to take an interest in this organisation, and who will be affected if not successful in its funding efforts to keep the group going as it is a much needed facility in the Village.

15 Does the project respond to a clearly defined need? How is this evidenced?

Yes. The toys and equipment needs to be brought up to date, to be suitable and safe for pre nursery children as many present items are those left from the previous play school that closed ten years ago. These new toys are required to help with the education, socialisation and stimulation of children aged specifically 0-4 years of age.

16 Does the project have community support? How is this evidenced?

It has a strong community support from all ages in the village, and the support of the Parish Council. Discussions took place with the members of the Toddlers group, including primary school teachers, child carers, and a funding specialist. The list of required equipment has been supported by an educational assessment that has been provided by one of the teachers.

17a Is a robust project plan in place?

A robust plan is in place as to the best type of equipment to purchase for this specialised age group after consultation with the Toddler group members, local primary teachers, the Child Minder's Association, the Parish Council and a funding specialist.

17b Flood grants only: Is there a community resilience plan in place?

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- 18 What are the objectives of the project and what impact will it deliver?
The objectives are to upgrade, replace and update the present toys and equipment. To help with the education, socialisation and stimulation of children aged 0-4 years old. To provide healthy exercise physically and mentally for the young members of the community, to learn to socialise with peers, and be with people who are not their parents in a safe environment.
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- 19 Is the project budget accurate and reasonable, with a realistic plan for securing match funding?
Yes. Many fund raising activities have taken place for this project, such as cake stalls, a Christmas Fayre, and a teddy bears picnic. The group spend frugally and carefully so their outgoings rarely exceed their incomings. The group also use the school playground free of charge in the summer holiday, and try to work as closely as possible with the school in the village to prepare the children on the next step in their educational journey.
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- 20 Is the funding package verified?
Yes. They have their own funds and will continue with their fund raising activities to maintain the equipment in the future. All opened early years facilities have to pass vigorous assessments by NYCC education advisors before they open as an education facility.
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?
Yes. They have sought the help of a funding advisor and have raised their own funds through community fund raising. They have the support of the local education authority and work closely with the local school and its teachers and share some facilities for the benefit of the education and socialisation of the children. To make their journey through each level of the education system as seamless as possible. It is within the hub of village life as takes place in the village hall, and is an important element to their long term viability too. All the groups work together to ensure the local community's needs and aspirations are met.
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- 22 Comments on the financial situation
Good. Own funds have been raised, and the group is active in its fund raising to supplement its finances.
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- 23 Are there any outstanding planning or technical issues?
No. The Parish Council own the village hall, and the toddler group are one of the many viable activities that take place in this hub of village life!
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- 24 Any other outstanding concerns or issues?
No
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- 25 How will the project be monitored and evaluated?
It will be monitored by the educational improvement and development of the children. Their social development and the interaction with their peers will be closely assessed with the help of other bodies, such as the primary school and nursery inspectors, and will be recorded for entrance in to the primary schools.
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Many of the children will continue their education together.

26 Do you deem this project to be viable and deliverable?

Yes. It is important to provide a safe, educational facility that is also stimulating and fun for this specialised age group who need nurturing and guiding to become well rounded citizens in the future of the local community. It has the support of the Parish Council and Ward Member.

27a Comments from Ward Member consultation

To be tabled until received.

27b S106 Public Open Space and Flood Grants Only: Comments from Parish / Town Council consultation

No PC Meeting held until September so comments are to be tabled.

Recommendation from assessing officer

28a Award the Grant Yes No

28b Level of award £ %

28c Conditions:
a. Standard Grant Conditions

b. A Constitution to be in place before funding is received.

c. Income and expenditure accounts to be shown and received by RDC.

d. Estimates to be received from companies wishing to purchase from - present only a spreadsheet from internet

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