



COWES TOWN COUNCIL GRANT APPLICATION FORM

Cowes Town Council welcomes grant applications from the local community and sets aside an amount for this purpose each year in its budget.

If you have any questions please contact the Town Clerk or Deputy Town Clerk at Cowes Town Council, Northwood House, Ward Avenue, Cowes PO31 8AZ. Telephone: 01983 209022. Or Email: townclerk@cowestowncouncil.org.uk / deputytownclerk@cowestowncouncil.org.uk

Who Can Apply

We support local voluntary, social and community organisations with small grants whose aim is to help improve the local Cowes community. Applications can be for full or part funding of an event, project, activity or item(s).

We will also consider individuals or commercial businesses with non-profit initiatives that will deliver benefit to the community.

How to Apply

1. Complete an application form and deliver it to the Town Clerk (details as above). In your application form you will need to tell us:

- a) What the grant will be spent on; how this will benefit the local community of Cowes
- b) How long your organisation has been established, its stability and future plans
- c) Size, membership, inclusivity, objectives and activities of your organisation
- d) What specific value your organisation brings to the community of Cowes
- e) Are there any financial beneficiaries of the organisation

2. Your application must be accompanied by your latest and previous two years' independently signed annual accounts. If your organisation has been running for less than 15 months we will accept a 12 month financial projection. If your organisation has been formed for a non-recurring one off event we will accept an event budget with projected income and expenditure.

Cowes Town Council will only accept and consider grant applications between May and February of each municipal year. Applications should be submitted in plenty of time to allow for it to be processed and considered at the Finance, Acquisitions & Staffing Committee meeting which will make a recommendation to the next full Town Council meeting for a decision. Any missing or further information required following receipt of your application will delay processing until the full information is received.

We will only consider one application from your organisation at a time.

Grants will be paid by cheque and acknowledgement of receipt of the grant from your organisation will be required.

Requests for a grant will be capped to a maximum of £1,500. Applicants may be required to attend the Finance, Acquisitions & Staffing Committee meeting where the grant application is being considered to present their case (in up to 10 minutes), and answer any questions about the application. You will then be asked to leave the meeting while Councillors consider your application. Any recommendation from the Committee will be considered at the next meeting of the Town Council who will make the final decision of whether to approve any grant. The Town Clerk will inform the main contact on the application form of the outcome of the application.

Grants of the maximum £1,500 will require an end of grant report within 12 months of the grant being awarded, detailing how the grant was used and how this has been of benefit.

PLEASE NOTE THAT ONCE YOUR APPLICATION FOR GRANT HAS BEEN SUBMITTED TO COWES TOWN COUNCIL, ALL INFORMATION PROVIDED WILL BE IN THE PUBLIC DOMAIN

ABOUT YOUR ORGANISATION

1. What is your organisation's name, address and contact details?

Organisation Name: Feeding Isle of Wight
Organisation Address Unit 1, Seaways, Seaview Road, Cowes
Post Code PO31 7US
Name of Principal Officers and Posts: Monique Gallop - Trustee
Name of Lead Contact and Post: As above
Contact Number and email: 07470633122 + monique@feedingiow.org

2. What is the type and purpose of your organisation?

The purpose of our organisation is to reduce food poverty, improve household resilience, and ensure that residents across the Isle of Wight have access to low cost, nutritious food. We operate Cowes Community Pantry. Our work strengthens communities, reduces waste, and provides dignified support.

3. Provide a summary from your most recent accounts. Are these figures below?

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Information from the latest accounts approved by your organisation
 A projection because your organisation has been running less than 15 months Budget
 Costs for a non-recurring one-off event

Account Year Ending: dd/mm/yyyy) – or date of event: 30/04/2025
Total income for Year / Event £29,680
Total Expenditure for the Year / Event £22,229
Balance at the Year End / Event (Total Income — Total Expenditure) £7451
Total Savings or Reserves at the Year End / after Event £7451

4. Has your organisation applied to Cowes Town Council for a grant before? ☒ / No

If yes, give the dates and the amounts awarded:

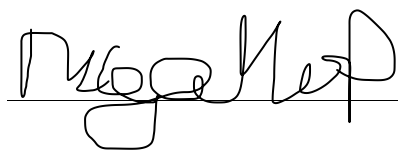
5. About the Project / Event/ Activity

What project, activity, item(s) or event do you want us to fund? We are seeking funding to relocate Cowes Community Pantry to Cowes Community Club, Park Road, Cowes. Due to ongoing issues with our current landlord - who it clear that they do not want the pantry operating at our existing site - we must move to ensure the long-term security community service. Cowes Community Club is an ideal new home for the pantry. It offers a larger, more central, a welcoming space with strong community links, better accessibility for families and older residents, and the potential to expand services such as advice sessions, digital inclusion, and community meals. The Club is supportive of the project and enthusiastic about hosting the pantry as a long-term partner
When will your project / event / activity take place? March 2026
How will this grant will benefit the people and community of Cowes? Relocating to this venue will create a safe, stable, and sustainable base for Cowes Community Pantry, allowing us to continue supporting local residents with affordable food and wraparound support.
How much will it cost? £12,500
How much are you asking for in Grant? £5000
If the cost is more than the amount requested, where do you expect the rest of the funding to come from?
We will seek additional support from both Northwood and Gurnard Parish Councils, as the Cowes Community Pantry directly supports residents from both areas. We will also explore small grants from local community funds.

APPLICATION CHECKLIST

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Have you answered all the questions in the application form?
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Enclosed the financial information/ accounts/ statements requested?
<input type="checkbox"/>	You understand that if you make any seriously misleading statements (whether deliberate or accidental) at any stage during the application process, or knowingly withhold any information, this could make your application invalid and you could be liable to repay any funds to us.

Please sign and date your application in the box below.

	30/11/2025
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For Office Use:

Date of decision: Accepted / Declined