



Y&C GRANT Application Process

MINISTRY WITH YOUTH AND CHILDREN

Each year, the Diocese makes available a set sum for congregational grants. In 2025, this is £800. This must be spent each financial year (Jan-Dec). Applications can be made at any time, although the grant-making panel meets 4 times a year, at the start of March, June, September, and December. Applications for a particular panel meeting should be submitted to the Advisor for Christian Life (ACL) **by the 25th of the preceding month** (i.e. by 25th February, May, August, or November). Any applications received after this point will be held over until the next panel meeting.

Applications should be made using form available on the Diocesan website, and advice can be sought from the ACL before the application is made.

The questions asked on the application form are as follows:

- **What do you plan to use the grant for?**
- **How will this help your work with children and young people?**
- **How much do you expect this to cost?**
- **What support has been sought/received from the Vestry?**
- **If you receive a grant, we would like to pay you online. Please supply bank details for your church.**

Completed applications are to be submitted via email to the ACL (details on form).

The following points will be taken into consideration when seeking to approve (or otherwise) a grant application:

- Repeat applications for the same activity/event/resource will not usually be considered.
- Grants will usually be made for around £50, sometimes up to £100.
- There should be a clear link between what money is to be spent on and missional impact with children and/or young people.
- The grant budget cannot be spent on just one or 2 congregations, or the same congregations every year.
- Financial support by the Vestry is by not always required, but there should be evidence that the Vestry is involved in some way and supportive of the plans.

A record will be kept, each year, by Convenor of DMMC, of how much was allocated to whom and for what purpose. Congregations should keep receipts for expenditure and account for the money appropriately.