

STAFF REPORT

TO: Grants and Community Facilities Rate Subcommittee
FROM: Mike Tasman-Jones
DATE: 20 September 2005
SUBJECT: Community Grants Guide to Considering Applications

Up to 30 minutes will be allocated at the start of the 27 September meeting to discuss process of considering Community Grants. The following is an overview of the process:

Community Grants – Grants from Rates

Tasman District Council allocates approximately \$156,000.00 from general rate income for grants to organisations which predominantly provide activities related to functions of the Community Services Department of the Council, including the cultural enrichment of residents of the District. These grants are made to organisations whose services and projects provide wide community benefit and wellbeing.

A separate pool of \$70,000.00 to support regional museums will also be considered by the Subcommittee.

Grants Provide Funding for:

- Administration costs
- One off projects
- Project development costs
- Local histories
- Community newsletters
- Beautification schemes

Grants do not provide for:

- Salaries – except in the Employment Economic Development category
- Building or land purchase
- Purely sporting activities
- Activities which are the responsibility of other government agencies

The Subcommittee will consider all applications received prior to the closing date.

Applications will be considered on the following terms. Please note your response to following prior to the meeting for each application:

- Meets the criteria of the scheme.
- Benefit to the community
- Priority of the application
- If supporting the application the amount of support suggested. Any conditions on granting support.
- If the application is declined the reasons for declining must be given. This will be used to inform the letter to the applicants.

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