

Circuit Mission Plan Grants application form

In order to apply for a Circuit Mission Grant, please answer all the questions below fully. See overleaf for full details of the Grants Scheme, and where to send your completed form.

Church or Chapel applying	
Name of project	
Amount applied for	£
Describe the project and what it will do	
How will the grant make that possible?	
Which elements of the Circuit Mission Plan will the project help to achieve, and how? Please refer to the attached excerpt from the Circuit Mission Plan.	
Worship:	
Learning & Caring:	
Service:	
Evangelism:	
What is the expected timescale? Will the grant be spent in 6 months?	
Contact person: name	
Email and phone	
Date approved by the Church Council	

What next?

When completed, this form should be sent to the Circuit Office for the attention of the Circuit Administrator, Carol Jewkes. If you have any questions about how to apply, please contact Michael Sanderson on 01226 742644 or forgechair@gmail.com .

You will be informed of the outcome of your application no later than the first day of the next quarter.

The Circuit Mission Plan Grants scheme

The Circuit has set aside £15,000 in each of the three financial years of the Mission Plan 2024-2027 in order to provide small grants of a maximum of £500 each. The grants are administered on behalf of the Circuit Meeting by the Circuit Resources Team.

What the grants can be used for

In accordance with the Circuit Mission Plan, grants will be given in response to:

“The Church exists to help people grow and learn as Christians, through mutual support and care, and the Circuit will use its financial resources to encourage and equip its Churches to identify projects to help them engage in mission in their local communities.”

The grants are to support small, generally short term, projects which will make a difference to the mission of a Church, or one or more of its chapels, in their local communities.

Who can apply

Applications must be made by Church Councils for projects originated by the Church itself or one or more of its chapels.

The application process

In submitting a bid, the Church Council should complete the application form overleaf and provide the following:

- a brief description of the proposed project, including its timescale**
- how much grant is being requested, and how it will be used**
- how the project will help to achieve one or more elements of the Mission Plan**
- details of a contact person for the project**

Timescales

There will be four rounds of applications each year. Church Councils should submit their bids to the Resources Team, via the Circuit Office, by the first day of the last month of each quarter (i.e. August 1st, November 1st, February 1st and May 1st). Successful bids will be notified before the end of that month and paid, up front, on the first day of the next quarter. Grants will generally need to be spent within 6 months of being awarded.

Outcomes

When the grant has been expended, the Church Council shall provide a brief report to the Resources Team of the outcomes of the project to date. Any unspent grant must be returned to the Circuit.

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