



grant assessment form

1 Aims and objectives of the organisation

The Rambler Chair Fund looks to increase the independence of people suffering from disability, ill health or mobility problems. This is through providing mobility scooters for local people who require recommendation through a local GP.

2 Purpose of the grant (including breakdown of costs)

To allow for the continued running of the scheme and to assist with maintenance and repair costs for the 8 mobility scooters.

Maintenance 8 chairs £485

Insurance 8 chairs £390

Breakdown Callouts and repair costs £420

Photocopy/stamps/other stationery £20

Consumables and Waterproof Electric Covers £132

3a How many people are on the organisation's Management Committee? 5

3b What is the organisation's total membership? 5

3c How many members usually attend the organisation's meetings or events? 5

3d How many members of the organisation would benefit from the grant? 0

3e How many members of the community would benefit from the grant? 10

4 How will the grant :- (a) develop the organisation; or

The grant will allow the group to continue its activities and maintain the mobility scooters for the community of Stewarton.

(b) benefit the local community.

As access to the service is based on a GP referral the grant has the potential to benefit everyone in the community with a mobility issue.

5	Total cost of project		£ 1447
	Amount of grant requested		£ 1447
	Bank Balance(s)	Date 31 st Dec 2009	£ 895.39
Where the group has more than one bank account all balances should be recorded			
Cash in hand		Date	£
Value of any other financial assets		Date	£
Name of other funding sources			
Amount and date of grant			
£		Date	

6 **If latest balance (including other financial assets) exceeds the cost of the project or is substantial, are these funds ring-fenced for the normal activities of the group or can they contribute to the cost of the project?**

The monies available are for the continued running of the scheme and maintenance of equipment.

7 **Recommendation**

Support	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Refuse	<input type="checkbox"/>
Defer	<input type="checkbox"/>
Amount Recommended	£ 868.20

Reason for recommendation

A grant of £868.20 (60% of requested amount) is recommended to contribute to the running costs of the machine. Each machine is serviced once a year at a cost of £40 plus additional works, and the committee have had to pay repair costs totalling over £300 in the last year for ageing scooters. Currently scooter users contribute to running costs by paying £53 per annum for insurance for each machine, which is kept at the users home. Currently there are 8 machines in use with a further 2 in storage.

On visiting the group and reviewing the OSCR (charity commission) annual return, it is felt that the award of £868.20 would help the group to continue offering a service.

There has been a large drop in income over the last 2 years in the annual reports which has coincided with the retiral of an active committee member, who called on local donations and external grant funding to maintain the project. Much of this work has been taken on by committee members who themselves we are older members of the community, with interests in other community organisations.

To increase the projects sustainability, the committee members may benefit from assistance from the local CLD officer and also from the councils disability team to ensure that the project is fully utilised and will exist in years to come.

Management Risk Ranking <u>L</u> / M / H <small>Risk Ranking based on Grant Application and Financial Information used to determine appropriate levels of monitoring and evaluation.</small>	Child Protection Risk Ranking <u>L</u> / M / H <small>Applications with a HIGH ranking are not recommended for support</small>
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8 **If there are any revenue implications how will they be met in future years?**

None – scooters depreciating in value

9 **Does the project represent value for money?** Yes ✓ No

All questions on this form must be completed

10 Cross boundary grant (if applicable) and division per committee (the calculation should identify the corresponding number of individuals within the respective Local Committee areas who will directly benefit from the grant award)

	Nos	Amount	%
Northern Local Grants Committee	10	£868.20	100%
Central North Local Grants Committee			
Central South Local Grants Committee			
Southern Local Grants Committee			
Other areas outwith EA			
Method of Division			