

GRANT QUESTIONNAIRE

Please complete electronically and send to <u>clerk@cranbrooktowncouncil.gov.uk</u> or in hard copy and return to the Town Clerk, Cranbrook Town Council, Younghayes Centre, 169 Younghayes Road, Cranbrook EX5 7DR. Thank you.

Why we are asking you to complete this

A few months ago, your organisation or group received grant funding from Cranbrook Town Council.

As part of that process, and as explained in our Grants Policy, all organisations receiving a grant are required to complete this questionnaire to the Town Council no later than six months after it was awarded, showing how the money was spent and how you achieved your outcomes.

The sum you received was given on behalf of the residents of the town, so this questionnaire is an important way in which we assess the success of the grant made and how it benefitted those living here.

Please answer the questions as fully and as honestly as you can and continue your answers on a separate sheet or expand the text area if you need more room. You are asked to return your questionnaire <u>within six months</u> of receiving your grant. You might find it helpful to refer to the Grants Policy document which can be found on the Community Organisations/Grants Policy page of our website www.cranbrooktowncouncil.gov.uk

1. Please explain who benefitted from your project/event/initiative.

The beneficiaries of the grant were the players of Cranbrook football Club

2. Did you achieve the aims you set out in your application? If so, please explain how. (If not, please explain why this was not possible. (The Town Council will contact you should it require further information).

We achieved our aims, by not having to increase the players match fees. Many of my players have young families, and it meant that they were able to represent their local club without having any financial constraints.

3. How did your project benefit the town and residents of Cranbrook in real terms? (Please be as specific as possible and provide, for example, uptake to event/s, details of numbers who participated etc.)

95% of my players live in Cranbrook unlike other local clubs. For 8 years I've given them the opportunity to play for their local club. During this time, we've won league titles and gained a good reputation amongst the local league, local towns and villages. I see this as a positive for the town. Cranbrook as a town gets a lot of negative publicity, so to represent Cranbrook gives me a great sense of pride and hopefully the town are also proud and benefit from having a successful team.

4. Will there be any longer-term benefits (legacy aspects) of the project/event/initiative? If so, please explain those here.

The grant gave us support and has helped us financially in the short term and hopefully in the long term to keep the club afloat, during these difficult times.

5. How did your organisation or group acknowledge and credit the Town Council's funding (a condition of the grant)? Please list all publications, media sites, websites, literature produced and Facebook posts where you placed material and, if possible, include an example of your materials.

So we highlighted that the grant was given to us on our social media sites.

6. Please use this space to provide feedback about your experience of applying for a grant from Cranbrook Town Council (how easy you found it, the process involved, our decision-making, whether and how you would like to work with us again etc.).

So, the overall experience of applying for the grant was simple and straight forward. The town council, as always were once again very supportive of the club and I thank them whole heartedly for that. I've liaised with town councillors in the past and benefitted from their grants system, so I knew how it worked. Running a local team is time consuming and costly, so we are always very grateful of the town councils support and help. Without them the club would struggle to exist.

Cranbrook Town Council Finance & Personnel Committee