Appendix C - Community Grants - Assessment Criteria

Applications are assessed using the following scoring system. For an application to be considered they need to meet the minimum score of 22 for SSDC funding under the Community Grants policies. In addition a range of checks are carried out using the information supplied as part of the application.

Target groups

People at risk of or suffering from poor physical health	
People with mental health problems	
Children & young people up to 18	1 Score for each
Older People	(Maximum 7
People on low incomes	available)
People facing social exclusion in urban & rural areas	
People seeking to improve and develop work or educational skills	

Project

Survey, Community Involvement, Census, Health & Social Needs Data, Feedback, Legislation, Index of Multiple Deprivation, National Governing body, support from club/organisation members, Parish Council, Community plan, Area Action Plan, relevant strategy, growing demand for service, Local Area Agreement, Sustainable Communities Strategy.

Capacity of the organisation to do the project well

For one-off grants - aiming for self-sufficiency without public subsidy (1 year's funding only)*. Look for forward planning/development/business plan and active fundraising.	Score between 1-3
Able to demonstrate effective use of resources:	for each (Maximum score
(eg: good volunteer base, general support within community) Sound proposal based on good practice and wide research	15 available)
Good publicity about group and project	,
User groups involved in running project	

Financial Need

What % of project costs have been applied for from SSDC? 1-15% Score 5 16-30% Score 4 31-50% Score 3	Maximum score of
What contribution is being made by the Parish Council? ARA (Area grants only) Up to 10% of project costs score 1 	7 available
Over 10% of project costs score 1	

Innovation

Is the project a completely new approach locally to an existing issue? Is	
there evidence of creativity?	Score between 1-3
(If successful, group must share information/good practice with others)	

Maximum score available: 37