

Waikato District Community Wellbeing Trust Funding Criteria

The Waikato District Community Wellbeing Trust provides funding to assist community groups, non-commercial groups and voluntary organisations within Waikato district.

The following general criteria apply for funding decisions:

- Projects must benefit the wider community.
- Applications must demonstrate broader community support for the project.
- Applications will be accepted from community groups, non-commercial groups and voluntary organisations. Applications from individuals or commercial entities will not be accepted.
- Applications can be up to 100 percent of the total cost of the project.
- It is preferable if the funding enables a project to commence and be seen through to completion.
- Applications must demonstrate how the balance of the funds required for the event/project will be obtained.
- Grants will not be uplifted until all other funds have been secured for the project.
- Projects need to be on Council's unfunded project list in order to be considered for funding.
- Priority will be given to capital expenditure items only.
- Only one application for any project can be made to the Trust within a two year period.
- Grants will not be given to oppose consent decisions or to contest legal cases.
- Funding applications for projects that have already been completed will not be considered (i.e. no retrospective funding).
- A project accountability report must be completed within 2 months of the completion of the project before being eligible for further funding.
- A project status update must be provided to the Trust if the fund has not been expended by 30 June of the financial year in which the fund was granted.
- Projects must contribute to the following Waikato District Council's Community Outcomes and Goals:
 - **People**
We will develop and maintain relationships and partnerships and provide accessible services, facilities and activities that create a supported, healthy, safe and engaged community.
 - **Economy**
We will promote sustainable growth, maintain accessible, safe and connected infrastructure and services, create an attractive business environment and provide sound financial governance.
 - **Energy**
We will provide active leadership, empowerment and collaboration in our business environment and we will effectively and sustainably manage natural resources.