**FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQ’s)**

Please note that these responses are given for guidance only. Answers often need to be project specific – please contact us at the earliest stage of your concept development of a project.

**Question: Is Grant support available for buildings?**

District Grant support is generally available.

Global Grant support is not available except for toilet blocks.

**Question: Can grants buy land?**

No.

**Question: Do we have to have all our contribution available at the start of a project even if the project is over a long period?**

Yes

**Question: What is meant by sustainability?**

We need to know that the project will be operational at least 3 years afterthe money has been spent.

**Question: What should I do to ensure sustainability?**

Identify who is going to look after the project after initial implementation.

Identify how any equipment will be maintained into the future. Identify how any on-going training or raw material needs will be met in the future. Illustrate local community ownership of the project in the future.

**Question: What is the maximum District Grant?**

The maximum amount available is £1500 but this is subject to available funds and is not guaranteed. The amount given from DDF must be matched by club funding.

**Question: Can a club use a donation from a third party as the funds to match a**

**District Grant Application?**

Yes, as long as the donation has been made to the club and the club has decided to use the donation to match a District Grant application.

**Question: Can a third party financially support a District Grant if the club does not have sufficient funds for the entire project?**

Yes but the grant will not exceed the amount given by a club and the District funds will not be released until it is confirmed that all other funds are in place.

**Question: Can funds be used to meet on-going supervision/management costs e.g. Teacher salary, project administrator.**

No

**Question: When can a project commence if being supported by a grant?**

Not until you are formally notified that your **project application** has been approved (NB: Not your project proposal) and the funds have been released. Breach

of this condition will result in grant support being withdrawn.

**Question: When must a District Grant funded project be completed by?**

The end of the year following the Rotary year in which the funds were made available.

**Question: Would a grant allow for the travel of a D1220 representative to**

**oversee a project?**

Yes, if he/she were providing skills not available in any other form at the local level. Could be a District Grant to enable either a further District Grant or a Global Grant.

**Question: Would a grant allow for the travel of a D1220 representative to**

**assess the viability of a project?**

Yes – a detailed list of information requirements would be required. E.g. Project plan (Objectives, Scope, Programme, Sustainability etc.), Local Rotary Club contacts, Contractor/Supplier details. Agreement by local group leaders that they want the project and will participate in its implementation. Clarity on whether any funds are available locally.

**Question: Does there have to be a local Rotary club involved to implement a project if we are only able to fund the project?**

Yes, if it is a global grant (The partner is called the Host club and you are the International club).

No, if it is a District Grant – project can be implemented by co-operating organisation who will be required to agree their role.

Please contact D1220grants@outlook.com for any further queries.