# THORNHILL POORS ESTATE CHARITY – GRANTS TO COMMUNITY GROUPS 2025

The THORNHILL POORS ESTATE CHARITY (Charity No 235118) annually offers modest, but useful, grants to established local voluntary community organisations serving the disadvantaged within the senior age groups, the youth, and socially disadvantaged sectors of the community, within the Ancient Parish of Thornhill, comprising the districts of Flockton, Middlestown, Midgley, Netherton, Overton, Saviletown, Thornhill, Thornhill Lees and Whitley. The charity now invites applications from constituted local organisations representing the disadvantaged elderly, the disadvantaged young, and the socially disadvantaged, exclusively within those districts, for grants to be awarded during January/February 2025. The intention of the grant is to improve the life and conditions for the socially vulnerable and disadvantaged within those groups, mindful of economic uncertainties. Each application will be considered by the trustees on its merits, with preference given to local organisations with limited resources who make an active voluntary contribution to their community. In applying, it must be established by applicants that the grants are to be spent to the benefit and activities of the target groups, and not on wages and associated costs and the application must clearly state how the money will be used to benefit those groups. The grants are open to all sectors of the community, but we regret that no applications can be considered from individuals, nor organisations serving other than the elderly, the young and the disadvantaged of the districts as noted above. The grants awarded will be solely at the discretion of the Trust's trustees, according to the finance available.

Organisations wishing to apply for a grant should submit an application form, available by accessing the home page of the website www.sitlingtonparishcouncil.gov.uk where you will find a link to the Thornhill Poors Estate Charity, and an application form to download, which may be completed by using WORD, or similar compatible word processor, or alternatively by e-mail request to thornhillpoorsestatecharity@gmail.com. When completed this way, the boxes in the application form will expand automatically, should you require more space, using your word processor. The application will seek the aims and objectives of the organisation, contact details, what the grant is to be spent on, and must state how the target groups benefit. The application must be accompanied by a copy of their constitution (which must not be generic, and must include a winding up clause), a copy of their most recent approved accounts, and a copy of their most recent bank statement(s). Personal bank accounts are not acceptable. It is important that the accounts are prepared on an income/expenditure/balance sheet basis, so that any previous TPE grant received in that financial year is clearly identified, along with associated expenditure by the grant recipient body. This particularly applies to applicants whose finances are held by a managing body, and in such an instance, the application must be accompanied by a statement from the managing body to confirm that any grant can be 'ring fenced' for the sole benefit of the applicant. .Pdf copies, or scanned copies, of the supporting documentation will be accepted. The application must be submitted by e-mail to thornhillpoorsestatecharity@gmail.com and an e-mail receipt will be issued to acknowledge receipt. Incomplete applications will not be considered. Should there be a problem with enclosing the support documentation, please make contact by e-mail. Any prior queries may be answered by contacting thornhillpoorsestatecharity@gmail.com.

Grant applications must arrive no later than Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November 2024. A decision on applications will be made as soon as practicable thereafter. Grant awards will be paid late January/early February 2025.

Secretary to Thornhill Poors Estate Charity thornhillpoorsestatecharity@gmail.com

# **THORNHILL POORS ESTATE CHARITY Grants to Community Groups 2025**

# **Contact Information**

Contact Information.		
Group name and address		
Contact name		
Position held in group		
Contact address		
Contact e-mail		
Contact phone number		
Tell us about your group.  Please provide a clear description of the activities your group undertakes & what the grant will be used for. Be specific about who, and in what way the target age group will benefit.		
How much grant do you seek		
(if a specific sum)		
Further details.		
What year was your group founded  Where do the activities take place		
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When do the activities take place		
Do you have a constitution		
(be sure to submit a copy with your application)		
Are there any restrictions on		
who can join your group.		
Do you maintain and operate		
safeguarding and equal opportunity		
policies. State what policies - we may		
request a copy.		

# Bank Account details (any grant awarded will be paid by BACS transfer)

Name of your account	
Name of bank	
Sort Code	
Account Number	

# **Data protection statement**

The information requested on this form is required by Thornhill Poors Estate Charity in order to assess the grant application, and will be circulated to the trustees. A copy will be retained in our files only for the purposes of administering grant applications and to meet safeguarding and legal responsibilities.

Signature authorising this application and acknowledgement		
In submitting this application, the undersigned confirms they are authorised to do so, and that the information		
given is true. Be sure to answer all questions.		
Signed		
Print name		
Position in group		

Completed applications must be submitted by e-mail to thornhillpoorsestatecharity@gmail.com . We regret hand written applications cannot be accepted at this time. The application must be accompanied with a copy of their constitution (which must include a winding up clause), a copy of their most recent approved accounts, a copy of their most recent bank statement(s), and any further supporting documentation, utilising .pdf or scanned copies, appended to the application form. Should there be problems submitting the additional information, contact the e-mail address above for advice, with a contact telephone number.

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