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OBJECTIVE

To determine a criteria for Council's Minor Projects and Equipment \$ for \$ Grants Scheme.

POLICY

1. Grant applications will be considered from sporting bodies and community groups in the City that have an Australian Business Number.
2. Grants are on a \$ for \$ basis for actual funds. Materials or voluntary labour will not be considered when estimating the cost.
3. Grants are for improvements or refurbishment of playing surfaces or surrounding areas of an existing Council facility.

4. Grants are for the purchase of minor capital equipment including substantial, long term sporting items.
5. It is preferred that grants are sufficient to finish a project, however, staged projects will be considered.
6. Evidence of sufficient funds being held to match the Grant will be required before the Grant is approved.
7. If Grants are for structures, relevant Development Application and/or Building Application must be approved by Council before funding will be made available.
8. Funds may be made to sporting bodies and community groups to commence work if approval is given by the Community Services Committee.
9. Accurate estimates must be submitted. Organisations accepting Grants will only receive 50% of the initial estimated cost.
10. The Grant can only be used for the purposes approved by Council.
11. Applications should be made to Cessnock City Council. An application form is available from the Community Services Department on request.
12. The Grant scheme will close no later than September 15 each year and will be advertised in the local press four (4) weeks before the closing date.