

## MELBOURN PARISH COUNCIL

## Application for Grant for Voluntary Organisations

Please note that this application will not be considered unless it is accompanied by a copy of the latest set of annual accounts showing the organisations income, expenditure and level of balances.

If the organisation does not prepare annual accounts, copies of the bank statements covering the previous six months must be enclosed.

1.	Name of Organisation	ITAV – (It Takes a Village)
2.	Name, Address, and Status of Contact	[REDACTED]
3.	Telephone Number of Contact	[REDACTED]
4.	Is the organisation a Registered Charity?	Yes/No x
5.	Amount of grant requested	£500
6.	For what purpose of project is the grant requested.	Set up of a new support group for Parents and finance the production of and distribution of flyers to publicise the group
7.	What will be the total cost of the above project?	£500

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8.	If the total cost of the project is more than the grant, how will the residue be financed?	Fund raising
9.	Have you applied for grant for the same project to another organisation?  If so, which organisation and how much?	No
10.	Are 3 <sup>rd</sup> parties necessary to deliver your project? If yes, please list them.	No
11.	Who will benefit from the project?	Parents of children struggling with mental health
12.	Approximately how many of those who will benefit are parishioners?	90%

You may use a separate sheet of paper to submit any other information which you feel will support this application, please keep this information to 1 page.

Have you previously received a grant from MPC? /No

If yes, please give date.

If yes and within the previous 12 months, please confirm that the grant has been spent and provide a brief report.

Signed.....Date.....

**3<sup>rd</sup> parties**

I/we have been fully consulted about the role attributed to us in this proposal and agree to carry it out.

Melbourn Parish Council: 30 High Street Melbourn SG8 6DZ

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Organisation:

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Organisation



17 April 2022

To Melbourn Parish Council

We are applying for a grant on the basis that it will help us establish a presence in the community for the proposed Parent Support Group - ITAV, (It Takes a Village).

The need for support for families struggling with unsupported children with mental health issues has been significantly on the rise, particularly with the advent of the internet. More recently, however, the various global crises that seem never-ending, has left many families reeling. Pre-Covid, there were already waiting lists for mental health support. CAMHS was already overwhelmed. Parents are left quite alone and sadly the 'knock-on' effects of the crises will last generations.

Families that were already trying to help their children are now dealing with the after-effects of not having had professional input. The thing to remember though, is that each of these people are experts on their own situation. Professionals are not able to give the time they need to each individual life story.

Having somewhere to safely share these stories, without fear of judgement, and with the knowledge that you are not alone in your struggles, may be a starting point for some carers/parents to start to heal from within themselves. We are more and more conscious of the inter-generational transmission of trauma, and how the cycle continues. Where does the healing begin? How can we pass on self-love to our children? These are some of the thoughts we want to encourage.

Community as a concept, has been disappearing for generations. The pandemic showed us that we still have the ability to return to this on some significant level. Hopefully, we can do our small part in this narrative.

Yours sincerely

Pilan Ramiah and Stephanie Trayhurn