

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	Melbourn Armed Forces and Veterans Breakfast Club
2.	Name, Address, and Status of Contact	██████████ ████████████████████ ██████████ ██████████ ██████████
3.	Telephone Number of Contact	██████████
4.	Is the organisation a Registered Charity?	Yes/No
5.	Amount of grant requested	£255.60
6.	For what purpose of project is the grant requested.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To fund a feather flag to display outside the monthly meeting venue and take to events 2. To fund 100 pens to give to members on the 1st anniversary (June 2023) & hand out at events – contact details are on the pen
7.	What will be the total cost of the above project?	Flag £153.60 Pens (100) £102.00 Total £255.60
8.	If the total cost of the project is more than the grant, how will the residue be financed?	N/A

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9.	Have you applied for grant for the same project to another organisation? If so, which organisation and how much?	No
10.	Are 3 rd parties necessary to deliver your project? If yes, please list them.	Yes, 2 suppliers: 1. Newton Flag and Banner Makers Ltd 2. Vistaprint
11.	Who will benefit from the project?	Melbourn residents, specifically veterans and serving members of the armed forces (this includes close family, widows/widowers)
12.	Approximately how many of those who will benefit are parishioners?	50

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. (see following page)

Have you previously received a grant from MPC? Yes/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...10/04/2023...

3rd parties

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

Name: N/A online order

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Organisation

Melbourn Armed Forces and Veterans Breakfast Club (AFVBC)

Our purpose is to facilitate veterans and serving Armed Forces personnel to meet face to face in a relaxed, safe, social environment to enjoy breakfast and banter, to combat loneliness and allow veterans to “return to the tribe”. Consequently, the club contributes to the general health and wellbeing of those who attend. We are also connected into the County and District Council Armed Forces Covenant Officer/Champion and offer support and signposting to those who need it; the club is advertised on the AFVBC national website and to SSAFA, RBL and the Army Widows Association members.

We are part of a national network of clubs which are free to attend and free to join. There are no fees, subs, or commitments: we don't exist to support any national charity, organisation, or business: people can just turn up, pay for their breakfast and enjoy the company of other Armed Forces Veterans.

We meet on the first Sunday of every month in the Dolphin, Melbourn which is fully accessible and offers an armed forces discount on their food menu.

On average, we welcome 30 people a month, including residents from Moorlands and Melbourn Springs who really look forward to the outing. In 2022 Melbourn AFVBC led the village Remembrance parade and laid a wreath on behalf of our members, one of whom suffers from PTSD. Sometimes he finds it hard to leave the house and hadn't been able to face even attending a parade for several years. On 13th November 2022, he didn't just leave his house, he didn't just come to watch, he marched with us with pride. We have other members who have had similar physical or mental health struggles but who have been encouraged by other veterans to join us and are now 'regulars' every month at the breakfasts, chatting happily with new friends.

Melbourn AFVBC has booked to attend the Melbourn Family Fun Day in June and as that event coincides with Armed Forces Day, it would be really appreciated if Melbourn Parish Council could support with the purchase of a feather flag to display at that (and subsequent) event(s) and also the purchase of 100 pens to give to members on our first anniversary in June 2023 and hand out to serving or veteran members on the Fun Day as the pens include contact details.

Testimonials from the national website are available here: [Testimonials – The Official Armed Forces & Veterans Breakfast Clubs Network \(afvbc.net\)](https://www.afvbc.net/testimonials)



AFVBC Parade 1



AFVBC at the Cross



Christmas breakfast