

MELBOURN PARISH COUNCIL

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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	1st Orwell Scouts, Melbourn
2.	Name, Address, and Status of Contact	Gareth Bolitho, Chairman. [REDACTED]
3.	Telephone Number of Contact	[REDACTED]
4.	Is the organisation a Registered Charity?	We are an excepted, HMRC Charities reference: EW36251
5.	Amount of grant requested	£5,020.88
6.	For what purpose of project is the grant requested.	Shelving and storage required as part of the Phase I internal fit-out of new Scout hut on the Old Rec
7.	What will be the total cost of the above project?	Total build and fit-out costs in the region of £50,000

8.	If the total cost of the project is more than the grant, how will the residue be financed?	Build primarily financed from existing funds and fit-out though fundraising
9.	Have you applied for a grant for the same project to another organisation?	No given negative response by Meldreth PC to previous funding application

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	If so, which organisation and how much?	N/A
10.	Are 3 rd parties necessary to deliver your project? If yes, please list them.	For the ground works and build 3 rd parties will be employed. Regarding the items included in this application we will not require a 3 rd party to be involved.
11.	Who will benefit from the project?	We have a membership of 134 young people.
12.	Approximately how many of those who will benefit are parishioners?	No fewer than 100 are from Melbourn.

1st Orwell Scout Group – Supporting Information

Since relocating the 1st Orwell Scout Group from Orwell village to Melbourn in 2016/2017 the Group has flourished and we have consistently expanded our offering to serve more young people within Melbourn and surrounding villages.

We currently provide Scouting to 134 young people, as detailed below, at least 100 of which are from Melbourn. Our current waiting list includes 118 young people many of which we will, regrettably, not ever be able to accommodate. The Group is incredibly

proactive in expanding our offering and we added an additional Scout section in Autumn 2024 and a new Squirrel section in 2025. We are planning to add an additional Beaver section in 2027 with an additional Cub section to follow in 2028 in order to offer Scouting to more young people from the village with an emphasis on those from less privileged backgrounds as detailed in our 5 year plan (included for reference). Below details the sections that we currently operate.

Squirrels (Aged 4-6 years) - 1 Section [*New in 2025*] - 16 Squirrels + 2 young leaders

Beavers (Aged 6-8) - 1 Section - 24 Squirrels + 2 young leaders

Cubs (8-10-5) - 1 Section - 33 Squirrels + 5 young leaders

Scouts (Aged 10.5-14.5) - 2 Sections [*Tuesday section added 2024*] - 29 Scouts + 4 young leaders (Friday) / 16 Scouts + 3 young leaders (Friday)

Our leadership team also supports the District-wide training of Young Leaders many of which are young people continuing their Scouting journey which began at 1st Orwell Scouts.

The new storage hut is central to our efforts to expand our offering to more local young people. The construction of the new hut will commence over the coming months as we have raised sufficient funds to complete the required ground works and acquire the building itself. To make the hut functional we will require, in the first instance, the storage units as detailed below. We will be equipping the hut with additional furniture, amenities and utilities for which we will be raising funds for separately to this application.

Items required for Phase I fit-out

	Ex VAT	Inc VAT
BiG400 Heavy Duty Shelving Mega Deals BiGDUG		
12 Bays of 1980x1525x610	£2,294.00	£2,752.80
Sealey Steel Floor Cabinets Tool Storage BiGDUG		
2x Cabinets 1800x900x400	£744.94	£893.93
1x Cabinet 1060x915x460	£302.43	£362.92
CFG4582W Beko Fridge Freezer White ao.com		
Suitable for garage		£339.00
Wooden Workshop Tool Store Heavy Duty MDF Workbench Wide Table Garage Storage eBay UK		
7ft x 4ft		£312.00
Sealey Gas Cylinder Safety Cage 		
1400x1000x500	£300.19	£360.23
Total		£5,020.88

Have you previously received a grant from MPC? Yes

If yes, please give date: May 2025

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

Signed...Gareth Bolitho.....Date...18th May 2026.....

3rd parties

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

Name:

Organisation:

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1st Orwell Scouts

	FY 25-26	FY 25-26
	Acc 70845124	Acc 90869872

Receipts: Co Cardless

Subscriptions	14,397	-
Camps and Events	14,060	-
Events	2,867	-
Interest		279

Receipts: Manual

Donations	29,388	25,000
Gift Aid/ Grants	9,309	-
Manual Camp Receipts		-
Manual Subscription Receipts		-
Movement Between Accounts		600
Fundraising		

Payments

MELBOURN PRIMARY	(800.00)	-
UNITY INSURANCE	(590.17)	-
Movement Between Accounts	(25,600.00)	-
Hut Build Costs	(4,931.00)	-
Invoices Related to Scouts Activities	(17,784.83)	-
Expense reimbursements	(12,728.99)	-
STRIPE PAYMENTS	(1,800.00)	-

Net Cash In/(Out)flow for year	5,786	25,879
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Opening Balance 1/4/2025	17,232	5,400
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Closing Balance 31/3/2026	23,013.07	31,278.85
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