

Buxted Parish Council Grant Application Summary for the 2025-2026 financial year

This is a summary of the information taken from the completed grant application forms. If anyone would like to see the full completed form(s) please let me know and I will email to you. Claudine.

Organisation	Description	Amount	Answer/amount agreed by the Parish Council October 2023
Buxted Art Club	In the absence of a community hall the art club use St Marys Hall for the annual exhibition. The lack of space could be resolved by the purchase of a 6 x 3 m gazebo for the provision of teas, therefore freeing space up in the hall for the art exhibition display and visitors.	£911.97	
Five Ash Down Chapel	General upkeep of grounds and gardens at Five Ash Down Chapel	£330	
Parish of Buxted and Hadlow Down (two churches – St Marys and St Margarets)	Applying for £4445 of overall costs of £4895. Breakdown: £1155 maintenance of the community garden, the church hall garden and Garden of reflection at St Marys. £936 cutting of hedge on permitter of church road and permitter of community garden. £420 strimming upper grave area. £1134 payment for monthly assistance in maintaining new grave area at St Margarets. £350 purchased of 70 hedge plants to replace dead bob hedging. £450 first stage of preservation of historic Gell Box Tomb.	£4445	
Buxted Methodist Church	Upkeep of gardens	£500	
FAD Pop In	For FAD Pop In Help pay for hall hire and events that the group run for the community and attendees.	£400	
St Wilfreds Hospice	Awaiting application - Last year £1000	£1000 of total project costs of £19,600	
Buxted Horticultural Society (BHS)	The grant is requested for day to day running costs of the society and current project to include more new and established people living in the parish to become involved: 1. Storage of all society and show items at St Mary's church hall replacing reading room storage-£240	£458.15	

	<p>2. New website hosting charge £127.30</p> <p>3. Printing of publicity material, show schedules £90.85</p>		
Ashdown Forest Conservators	To contribute toward the ongoing costs towards access and ride repairs, car park repairs, bridge repairs, flytipping and providing 24 hour response, particularly within the South Chase area which includes the area of Buxted	£1000	
Holy Trinity Church, High Hurstwood	<i>No application received this year or the previous 2 years.</i>		
Wealden CAB	To contribute to the running costs of the service for Buxted residents, which can be accessed via phone, email, text or appointments at one of our 3 sites - Crowborough, Hailsham or Uckfield. Although our service is mainly staffed by volunteers we still require staff to supervise, train and manage the service. We need to maintain our IT system for effective record keeping and to enable us to communicate effectively with and on behalf of our clients. We also need to cover day to day costs such as postage, photocopying, cleaning, publicity and insurance.	£850	
Buxted Bonfire Society (for 2025-2026)	Request grant of £1,000 for next years (Autumn 2025) bonfire event. To help with the costs of a traditional torchlit procession and bonfire within Buxted. Monies collected during the procession will be donated to two local charities.	£1,000	
Five Ash Down Village Event	<p>‘For the last few of years, we have organised a street party for the village in Court Lane, Five Ash Down. In 2022 it was the Queen’s Platinum Jubilee and in 2023 it was King Charles III coronation. In 2024, without a Royal event to hang our hat on, we chose to run a Village Day comprising a picnic in Court Lane.</p> <p>Past events have been well attended (a headcount halfway through the day this year came in at 125 people) and feedback shows that attendees were glad to be able to meet neighbours and friends they may not have had a chance to talk to in their everyday busy lives. The Parish Council have helped us with funding, and we have, where possible, used those funds to buy long term assets (e.g. bunting, banners etc.) for use by us in future years, and also for use by anyone else in the village who has a village event to run.</p>	£500	

	<p>We hope to run a similar event in 2025 and are asking for the support of the Parish Council once again. The objective is for the villagers to have a great day out and mingle with others in the community making Five Ash Down an even better place to live.</p> <p>Sadly, the founder member of the 2022 event died suddenly in 2023 and so, in 2023, we included a collection in favour of the British Heart Foundation which raised £323.65. The 2024 event has raised £557.56 for the charity’.</p>		
<p>Buxted Bowls Club</p>	<p>Installation of 3 seating/perching benches for all four sides of the bowling green (12 in total) each bench will serve 2 rinks thus enabling bowlers to rest whilst waiting for others to bowl. The benches will also enable us to fit a bracket at the back of each bench for them to fit a bracket for securing their parasols to protect bowlers from heat/sun.</p>	<p>£986.35</p>	