

	Current Operation	Recommended Change
1	Community event sponsorship, community grants and small environment grants have separate processes	Combine the three funding streams under one grants process - change events sponsorship to event grants
2	Sponsorship Policy (covers events only) and Community Funding Guidelines 2023-2024 (covers three funding streams).	Adopt the Community Grants Policy and prepare one set of guidelines covering the three funding streams.
3	Sponsorship arrangements include support for activities with fundraising as primary aim.	Applications must demonstrate benefit for the community and aligned to Council plans (purely fundraising activities should not be funded).
4	Total current annual funding (2023/24): Event Sponsorship: \$118,679 (including Communities for Communities) Community Grants: \$69,680 Small Environmental Grants for Schools: \$10,000.	Total recommended annual funding: Event Grants: \$65,000 (note Communities for Communities to be funded through an MoU) Community Grants: \$73,500 Environmental Grants: \$30,000
5	Funding amounts per application: Events: No specified maximum amount Community Grants: Small grants- \$1,000 Community Development- \$5,000 Small Environmental Grants for Schools: Support Grant- \$1,000 Development Grant- \$3,000 <i>In-kind venue hire requests are considered in addition to financial support.</i>	Funding amount per application: Events: Small - up to \$2,500 Medium - up to \$7,500 Major - up to \$15,000 (matched funding) Community Projects Grants: Social Connection Grant - up to \$2,000 Community Development- up to \$7,500 Environmental grants: Support Grant- up to \$1,000 Development Grant- up to \$3,000 <i>In-kind venue hire requests are considered in addition to financial support. Waste management charges will not be waived.</i>
6	Acquittal requirements are not linked to the amount of funding received	Tiered acquittal process proportionate to the amount of funding provided.
7	Schools Environmental Grants only: Schools and Parent & Citizen/Parent & Friend (P&C/P&F) organisations only eligible for funding pool.	Rename program to Environmental Grants Program with schools plus all not-for-profit organisations now eligible.