



St Mary's Church
Everdon
Northants.
NN11 3BL

23rd October 2023

To Everdon Parish Council

I have been asked by Everdon Parochial Church Council to apply to Everdon Parish Council for a grant for Churchyard Maintenance during 2024.

A grant of £500 was awarded by the Parish Council in 2023. Our application for that grant was made in June 2023 supported by the Church accounts for 2022.

The Church's financial year runs from January to December. We do not have complete accounts for 2023 at this time. We are therefore providing accounts for 2022 (again) with the proviso that we are happy to give full accounts for 2023, when these become available early in 2024.

We do, however, expect 2024 to be a difficult year, financially. St Mary's are due to have their Quinquennial Inspection of the Church structure and fabric soon, which is likely to lead to repair work, both to the Church itself and the Churchyard.

Nigel Platts

On behalf of Everdon PCC

EVERDON PARISH COUNCIL: GRANT APPLICATION FORM

All applicants should submit this form to Councillors to assist in their decision making. Any financial figures should be for the last financial year of the group. If possible, a summary statement of accounts (e.g. receipts and payments plus the bank balance) should be attached.

Name of group/organisation	St Mary's Church, Everdon
Name on bank account (for cheque payments)	PCC Everdon
Registered Charity/Charity Number	Yes
Contact name	Nigel Platts
Position with the Group/organisation	Treasurer

Contact name's home address	Threeways House Everdon. NN11 3BL
Contact name's telephone number	07908 324505
Contact name's e-mail address	finance@stmarys-church-everdon.co.uk
Brief description of group and its aims	To organise and maintain the building and burial grounds of St Mary's Church in Everdon. To organise and administer services held in St Mary's Church.
Brief description of project for which you are making this application If this application is for a grant of money, state how much.	The extensive burial grounds and Churchyard at St Mary's requires constant grounds maintenance. Grass needs cutting during the summer months at the front and rear of the Church. The grounds at the rear of the Church are so uneven, extensive strimming is needed to keep brambles and weeds under control. This is needed throughout the year. Largely, but not wholly, carried out by volunteers, Churchyard maintenance also uses machinery and tools which need maintenance and replacement. £560.00
If this application is for the donation of goods purchased by the Parish Council, please describe. Please provide supporting quotations	Not Applicable
What is the total cost of this project? Please provide details of how this figure is made up	See Appendix A

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Have you applied, been promised or received Grants/Donations from any other sources for this project? If so who?	No
Number of members in the Group/organisaiton	The Church and burial ground is a facility for everyone in the village, around 300 people.
Number of members resident in the parish	300
Total spent by the group in the last twelve months	In 2022, we spent £22,992.86. We also repaid a further £7,500 of our Diocesan loan in Jan 2023.

Total received by the group in the last twelve months	In 2022 we received an income of £29,198.73.
Main income sources – please itemise	See Appendix B for details. This provides a summary of income and expenditure for 2022.
Current bank balance (please state date)	At 23/10/2023: Restoration Fund £6,483; Reserves £9,154; Current Act £7,036.
Special/other considerations	The Church is due to have before the end of 2023 an inspection on the building and fabric. Significant and expensive repair work may lie ahead.

Completed application forms should be sent to:

Ruth Scott
Parish Clerk, Everdon Parish Council

Telephone 07543 563146
clerk@everdeonpc.co.uk

website www.everdonpc.co.uk

Date Reviewed	October 2022
Date of next Review	October 2024

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Appendix A

2024 Grant Application for Churchyard Maintenance

Submitted by St Mary's Church, Everdon

2024 Application

St Mary's Church wishes to apply for a Churchyard maintenance grant for this year to a value of £560.

Costs have risen since 2023 with our paid for mowing service having increased their charges.

The application for £560 is made up as follows:

Item	Estimated Cost	Notes
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Paid for mowing services from Peter Groves	£350.00	See a ached receipt for 2023.
Maintenance of Husqvarna Petrol Mower	£130.00	Quota on from FN Pile in Banbury of £130-£150, depending on filters needing changing.
Maintenance of S hl petrol strimmer (blade).	£80.00	Quota on from FN Pile in Banbury.
Total	£560.00	

Any grant paid would be held in our restricted fund for Churchyard Maintenance and not used for any other purpose.

At the end of 2024 we are happy to show Everdon Parish Council receipts for this grant and repay any monies for expenses that have not been incurred.

Appendix B

St Mary's Church, Everdon

Summary Accounts 2022

Receipts	2022	2021
Planned Giving	£6,954.35	£7,115.00
Collections at Services	£2,239.84	£1,877.27
All Other Giving	£3,515.00	£981.00
Gift Aid Recovered	£6,372.94	£1,596.75
Legacies	£0.00	£0.00
Grants and Loans	£1,095.94 ¹	£13,560.96 ²
Fundraising Income	£6,800.00 ³	£2,756.26
Investment Income	£4.66	£2.71
Church Fees	£2,216.00	£1,805.00
Total	£29,198.73	£29,694.95

Payments	2022	2021
Fundraising Costs	£0.00	£0.00
Church Fees to Diocese	£295.20	£0.00
Diocese Parish Donation	£5,124.69 ⁴	£6,833.00
Loan Repayment	£7,500.00	£0.00
Salaries and Honararia	£0.00	£100.00
Clergy Expenses	£500.60	£276.28
Mission Giving	£621.00	£311.20
Church Running Expenses	£5,900.62	£4,596.75
Utilities	£550.13	£358.16
New Building Work	£2,045.62	£56,831.70

Repairs (Minor)	£455.00	£0.00
Other Payments	£0.00	£0.00
Total	£22,992.86	£70,363.17

Notes

- 1 Includes VAT refund of £340.94 from final Servedy payment plus £755 Diocese grant.
- 2 VAT refunds for Servedy work.
- 3 Village Fete and 'Back in Time' concert.
- 4 A further £1,708.23 was paid in early January 2023.