

## **LUDLOW ROTARY CARES 2024**

Ludlow Rotary Club once again invites local community groups to apply for a grant.

'Ludlow Rotary Cares' is the name of the Club's annual scheme aimed at supporting community life in and around Ludlow by offering modest grants to local charities and organisations. For this year the maximum grant available has been increased from £500 to £750.

Over the past nine years the Ludlow Rotary Club has been able to invest over £45,000 in almost 100 local community projects through this scheme from funds it has raised. After a successful Dog Day fundraising event in 2023, the Club is delighted to be able to invest again in our community.

Speaking about the scheme, Alistair Thornley of Ludlow Rotary said "The Club intends to be very open minded about the types of activities it will support so long as the project or programme responds to a community need in or within 15 miles of Ludlow and meets its criteria on the giving of grants. What the Club will need to understand is exactly what the money will be used for, who will benefit from it and how much difference it will make."

He added "The Club is keen to hear from a wide range of organisations including those that have applied in the past or have been awarded grants in the past, so anyone involved in or are aware of one which might benefit, should take a look at our website - www.ludlowrotaryclub.org.uk - and follow the link to download an application form."

Organisations which meet the criteria will need to get their applications in by **21 April**. Those shortlisted will be invited to an evening event at Ashford Carbonell Village Hall on **14 May** at which they will be asked to explain their project for a few minutes to a small panel. There will also be an opportunity to meet other applicants as well as members of the Rotary Club.

Barry Forrester Ludlow Rotary Club

## **NOTES FOR EDITORS**

1. Previous grant recipients (JPEGS of pics enclosed)

Last year, ten organisations were awarded grants through the scheme. These included:

• The Friends of Cleobury Primary School, who used the grant to purchase new sports equipment:



• The Ludlow Men's Shed, who purchased a range of battery-powered portable power tools:



• The Clun Valley Sewing Team, who made 120 menstrual care kits for dispatch to Angola, enabling girls to attend school throughout the month.



## 2. For Further information

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