Thames Water Charities Committee

Guidelines for Charities and Community Organisations for support from Thames Water

Please read these guidelines carefully before applying to Thames Water for funding.

Whilst we are a large organisation, we do not have unlimited funds. The Charities Committee has therefore agreed to support organisations or projects where there is a good link to our core business of water supply and wastewater treatment which falls under the following criteria:

**Water and the environment**

Our focus is on enhancing the quality of life within urban areas by improving open spaces, especially natural environments that are adjacent to water - for example rivers or canals. By ‘environment’ we mean the environment in which people live as well as the natural environment.

**Water and healthy living**

We support projects that encourage individuals to look after their own health and encourage a healthy lifestyle through the benefits of water.

Please note that we can only consider projects that are **within the Thames Water supply area**. If you are unsure you can check by:

- Checking your water bill – if Thames Water supply the water for your organisation, you can apply
- You can also check using the Thames Water post code checker on the ‘Moving Home’ section of the website: [http://www.thameswater.co.uk/cps/rde/xchg/corp/hs.xsl/605.htm](http://www.thameswater.co.uk/cps/rde/xchg/corp/hs.xsl/605.htm)

If your project or organisation fits under either of these categories, you are eligible to apply using the application form provided on the website. You may provide additional material of up to two sides of A4 to support your application.

The Charities Committee meets quarterly. Please refer to the Community pages on the Thames Water website for the funding application deadlines: [http://www.thameswater.co.uk/cps/rde/xchg/corp/hs.xsl/3484.htm](http://www.thameswater.co.uk/cps/rde/xchg/corp/hs.xsl/3484.htm)

Please be aware that we **do not** support the following:

- Advertisements, sponsorship or tickets for fundraising events
- Political and sectarian activities
- Organisations with a racial or religious bias
- Individuals fundraising for national charities
- Individuals fundraising for personal challenges (non-charitable)
- Salaries / project management fees, etc
- Overseas charities other than our principal charity, WaterAid
- Projects outside of the Thames Water region

For more information on our application process, or to send us a completed application form, please contact us via email [community.investment@thameswater.co.uk](mailto:community.investment@thameswater.co.uk) or by post at:

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Thank you for your interest in Thames Water and we look forward to receiving your application.