

Community Sponsorship – General FAQs

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When will we find out if our application is successful? When will we receive the funds?

A report will be submitted to Council within two Council meetings following the round closure date, for review and determination by Council. You will be notified as to the success of your application after the council meeting. Funding to the successful applicants will be processed subsequently.

We received CSP funding in a previous round in the same financial year – can we apply again i.e. twice or three times in any given financial year?

No. You can only apply once for CSP funding in each category, in each financial year i.e. You can apply once for Resilient Hawkesbury, once for Access to Facilities and once for Participation in each financial year.

We received CSP funding last financial year – can we apply again this financial year?

Yes.

Can we apply for funding to run a series of activities?

Yes. You may want to run a series of workshops or get help to establish a weekly group. You can apply under the CSP, however there is no funding obligations of Council beyond the successful round. There are no on-going commitments on behalf of the Council for any CSP funding.

Can we apply for more than one category under the Community Sponsorship Program? i.e. Participation and Resilient Hawkesbury? Or Resilient Hawkesbury and Access to Facilities?

Yes.

The organisation is no co-contributing any funds or in-kind contributions. Will that affect the outcome of my grant?

The CSP funding aims to provide for activities where applicants are providing a clear financial or in-kind contribution. There may be instances where Council still chooses to fund activities without in-kind contributions.

Can a for-profit organisation apply?

No. To apply for the Resilient Hawkesbury or the Access to Facilities grants you must be a not-for-profit organisation or registered charity.

Do we need an ABN?

Yes. Individuals cannot apply. If you are an individual and want to apply, you must be auspiced by an organisation. Please contact Council staff for more information on auspicing and to find out about organisations within the local area that may consider auspicing individuals.

Can we apply if our organisation isn't based in the Hawkesbury, but the program benefits residents in the City of Hawkesbury?

Yes.

What is an auspice arrangement? How would an auspice arrangement benefit me?

An auspice arrangement is when an organisation provides support and guidance to another smaller organisation, group or individual. An auspice organisation might offer support with your grant application, assist with insurance cover for activities, or manage the grant funds on behalf of the smaller organisation, group or individual.

If you would like to know more about an auspice arrangement or would like help to find an auspice organisation within the Hawkesbury, please contact the Community Planning and Partnership team at Hawkesbury City Council.

Whose bank account details/ABN/GST details should we provide under payment details?

Provide the details of the organisation who will be managing the funds. For Resilient Hawkesbury and Access to Facilities categories, the bank account details must not be that of an individual.

We can't apply online, can we still apply?

Yes, we can arrange for a form to be posted to you, and you can return that form by post. Be mindful of closing dates and allow plenty of time for Hawkesbury City Council to receive your application.

Will our information be available for the public to access?

Yes. If you apply for the CSP, there is certain information that will be included in the agenda for the Council meeting for review and determination by the Councillors. The agenda, attachments, and the minutes are available on the website for everyone to view. For the participants category, the applicants name, sport and recommended amount are included in the reports. For the Access to Facilities category, the applicant, proposal and recommended amount are included in the reports. For the Resilient Hawkesbury Category, the applicant, proposal (a short description of the program that is being put forward) and the recommended amount are included in the report. The Assessment Criteria Matrix for each Resilient Hawkesbury applicant is included in either the report, or in an attachment, irrespective of the whether the applicant is successful or not.

We have another question – what can we do?

For more information on the Community Sponsorship Program, please contact the Community Planning and Partnership team at Hawkesbury City Council.