

MILLBROOK PARISH COUNCIL **SECTION 137 GRANT APPLICATION FORM**

Under [Section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972](#), Millbrook Parish Council has discretionary powers to award grants to local groups and organisations for the purposes of bringing a direct benefit to the parish or its residents.

About your organisation	
Name of Organisation	St Germans & Area Public Transport Group
Address	Merryweather Cottage, Fore Street, St Germans PL12 5NR
Telephone Number	01503 230106
E-mail	
Contact name and position in your organisation (plus address if different from above)	Alan Cousins, Secretary.
Registered charity number (if applicable)	N/A
Number of members within your organisation	129

<p>Describe the overall aim of your organisation and the activities or services it provides</p>	<p>Aim: a. To promote the accessibility of St Germans and the surrounding area by train and bus; b. To represent users of St Germans station, and bus users in St Germans and the surrounding area, in discussions with agencies and train and bus operators.</p> <p>We work closely with the Rame Peninsula Public Transport Users Group.</p> <p>We represent passengers in the St Germans, Rame peninsula and Deviock areas in discussions with GWR, Go Cornwall Bus, and local councils - coordinating with Rame PPTUG. We produce regular train and bus timetables which are made available in various villages (and also posting some door to door). We deal with a number of questions from individuals about services and experiences on public transport.</p>
<p>ABOUT YOUR PROJECT</p>	<p>St Germans & Rame Integrated Public Transport Scheme</p>

Please outline the details of the project for which you are seeking funding from the Council (up to 300 words)

The aims are:

- to examine transport patterns and needs of the local population (by age and locality);
- To examine ways of enabling and encouraging the use of buses and trains
- To explore public perceptions of benefits in future of a connected service between bus, rail, and other services
- To encourage positive messages about public transport use and the environment
- To investigate the information flow between the public, local authorities, local transport agencies and funders

We will conduct a questionnaire survey, in both electronic and paper forms, throughout the Rame peninsula. The completed questionnaires will be analysed and the resulting report provided to local communities via local newspapers, council websites, radio and TV.

Reports will be sent to parish and county councils, community transport agencies and transport providers.

The information from the survey will alert people to the various possibilities of using public transport now and in the future. It will be of use to Cornwall Council, and train and bus operating companies in making decisions about future services. It is hoped that more integrated public transport services will be developed as a result. It is similarly hoped that there will be various improvements at St Germans station, such as facilities for charging electric vehicles, facilities for electric bicycles etc.

In addition there could be information from people in parishes about needs they have to travel to a range of places, by bus or train, about the difficulties of reaching places - information which local authorities and transport providers could use in future planning. This is particularly important in the current situation of climate crisis. A major aim of the project is to encourage more use of public transport, of car sharing and cycling etc. This will mean less pollution and less congestion on roads.

Who will benefit from the project?	We hope it will be all people in the Rame peninsula, St Germans, and Deviock areas - residents and visitors
Approximately how many of those who will benefit are parishioners?	30%
Amount of funding requested	£300
Overall cost of your project	£6,100

<p>If the total cost of your project is more than the grant request, how will the balance be financed?</p>	<p>Other Rame Parish Councils, St Germans and Deviock Parish Councils + Cornwall Community Chest Cornwall Community Foundation Go Cornwall Bus, GWR and Cross Country trains, Community Rail Network</p>
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DECLARATION	
<p>In completing this application form, I acknowledge:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ I am authorised to submit this application on behalf of St Germans & Area Public Transport Group (with the support of Rame Peninsula Public Transport Users Group) ▪ My group / organisation has the capacity to complete the project ▪ The group / organisation has its own bank account <p>For legal reasons, the council cannot accept Section 137 Grant applications from:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Individuals or appeals supporting individuals. ▪ Organisations which support or oppose political parties. ▪ Organisations that discriminate on the grounds of sex, race, disability, sexual orientation, religion and belief or age. 	
<p>Name, signature, and position of contact</p>	<p>Alan Cousins Secretary, St Germans & Area Public Transport Group</p>
<p>Date</p>	<p>24.10.21</p>
<p>Please note any grant awarded by Millbrook Parish Council may be subject to conditions as determined by the Council.</p>	

Please return the completed form, along with supporting documents, either via email to theclerk@millbrook-pc.gov.uk or by post addressed to Parish Clerk, Millbrook Parish Council, The Village Hall, The Parade, Millbrook, Cornwall, PL10 1AX