

Community Grant Scoring Rubric (Weighted)

(approximate average across all councils sampled)

Criteria	Description	Weight (%)
Community Benefit	Clear, measurable impact on local residents; addresses identified needs	25%
Inclusion & Equity	Supports disadvantaged groups, promotes diversity, tackles inequality	20%
Sustainability & Viability	Long-term impact, financial resilience, realistic budget, match funding	15%
Local Engagement	Evidence of community involvement, councillor support, participatory design	15%
Strategic Fit	Alignment with council priorities, area board goals, or corporate plans	10%
Monitoring & Evaluation	Clear outcomes, KPIs, and plans for measuring success	10%
Safeguarding & Risk	Addresses safeguarding, governance, and risk management	5%