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Grant Application Form	
Date:	8th Augustus 2025
Name of Organisation	Peatmoor Angling Club
Name of contact person	Ted Rowe
Contact Address and contact number	[REDACTED]
E-mail for organisation	[REDACTED]
How long has your organisation has been active?	30+ years
Please tick the boxes to confirm you are submitting all of the following with your completed application:	Governing Document e.g. Constitution/Terms of Reference <input type="checkbox"/>
	Management Group or Committee Membership details <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Annual Turnover of your organisation	£
Your Grant Project:	
Name of project or activity?	Peatmoor lagoon weed clean up
Who is it for? and where is it happening? (500 words max.)	<i>E.g what neighbourhood?, age group? community of interest?</i> General public, anglers and wildlife , everyone in and around Peatmoor Lagoon
How will residents in West Swindon benefit from this? (500 words max.)	<i>Describe the benefits to West Swindon residents:</i> see email
When you aim to start and finish?	ASAP
What funding are you requesting from the Parish Council?	<i>List of items and amounts:</i> £3000
Please detail any match funding you will bring to the project e.g. donations, in kind funding, volunteer hours.	Peatmoor Angling club will put the hours in
Thank you. Please return your form in person, post or email to: Grants, West Swindon Parish Council, to the contact details at the top of the form	

From: [Ted Rowe](#)
To: [wpsc web](#); [West Swindon Parish Council](#)
Cc:
Subject: Grant Application – Support for Weed Removal at Peatmoor Lagoon
Date:

Dear West Swindon Parish Council,

Please see attached grant application.

Following from the form:

How will residents in West Swindon benefit from this?

The removal of weeds at Peatmoor Lagoon brings significant benefits to the general public, local anglers, and the surrounding wildlife. By clearing excessive vegetation, the lagoon becomes more accessible and visually appealing, enhancing its use as a recreational space for walking, picnicking, and enjoying nature. For anglers, the improved water quality and open spaces increase fish activity and make casting and fishing more effective and enjoyable. Importantly, the careful removal of invasive or overgrown weeds helps restore a balanced habitat, allowing native aquatic plants and animals to thrive. This supports a healthier ecosystem, benefiting birds, insects, and other wildlife that depend on the lagoon environment.

Over recent weeks, our members have been putting in maximum effort to control the spread of this weed, but despite our best endeavours, it is proving extremely difficult to keep on top of. This is the first time we have faced this particular issue in the lagoon's history.

I am writing on behalf of Peatmoor Angling Club to request financial assistance from the West Swindon Parish Council to help us manage a serious weed problem in Peatmoor Lagoon.

Our financial resources are already stretched, with just enough to cover next year's lease, insurance, and ticketing costs. Membership numbers are currently low and, regrettably, appear likely to fall further if this problem is not resolved.

We have contacted specialist companies who could carry out large-scale weed removal, but the estimated cost is in the region of £3,000. Without urgent action, the weed growth could lead to another oxygen crash in the lagoon – a situation we have worked hard to prevent in the past. If this happens, there is a real risk that Peatmoor Angling Club will no longer be able to continue, which would also mean we could no longer maintain the lake for the benefit of all local residents.

Over the years, our club has invested considerable time and effort into maintaining the site – from repairing platforms to running our oxygenators around the clock and spending many days manually removing weed with our own or borrowed equipment. While we understand that the weed may return in the future, we urgently need help to bring it under control now.

We have attached our completed grant application form for your consideration and sincerely hope the Parish Council will be able to assist us in safeguarding this much-valued community asset.

Thank you for your time and support, and we look forward to your reply.

Kind regards,

Ted Rowe
Secretary at Peatmoor Angling Club

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