# **Thurston Parish Council**

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# APPLICATION FOR A GRANT

Before competing this form, please read carefully the attached document entitled Thurston Grant Awarding Policy. Copies of the form together with the **latest copy of examined accounts** must be submitted along with any supporting documentation requested.

### General information for applicants

It is Thurston Parish Council's intention (subject to budget restrictions and available resources) to support initiatives from local community groups and organisations. Priority will be given to applicants who have not previously received grants from Thurston Parish Council. The size of any grant awarded is at the discretion of the Parish Council but will not exceed £500 in any one application.

If you have any queries on the completion of this form please contact the Parish Clerk, Thurston Parish Council, New Green Centre, Thurston, IP31 3TG. Email: clerk@thurstonparishcouncil.gov.uk

### **DETAILS OF YOUR ORGANISATION**

Name of Organisation – SUFFOLK ACCIDENT RESCUE SERVICE (SARS)

Address Unit 1b, Woolpit Business Park, Windmill Avenue, Woolpit, IP30 9UP

Contact Telephone No. 01359 244186

Email:admin@sars999.org.uk

Registered Charity No. 1168764

If you are part of a larger organisation, enter its name: n/a

Principal aims and objectives: To offer immediate medical care to patients in the local area. We provide volunteer clinicians and clinical teams who have skills and carry equipment and drugs which cannot be found on frontline ambulances. They can undertake advanced procedures at the scene, which would not normally be possible outside the hospital environment. These interventions can be genuinely life-saving aswell as reducing the chances of patients suffering permanent disability and also provide relief from pain. SARS is a local resource, which means that our responders can be on scene within minutes, a speed of response which can be vital for time-critical patients. In around 20% of the incidents we are mobilised to, a SARS clinician will be first on scene.

#### **DETAILS OF GRANT REQUESTED**

Explain your need for a grant with the likely number of beneficiaries, their age profiles and

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their location - SARS receives no central government funding and we rely on voluntary grants and donations to support our charitable activity. Our charity has been active for nearly 49 years and during that time has regularly responded to incidents in Thurston and
on the nearby A14 including in the last 12 months. We respond to over 300 requests for
assistance each year and our service is for the benefit of the whole community.

Grant requested: £300

# **DETAILS OF OTHER GRANTS**

Received in the last two years - 2019 £250 2020 - £300 (from Thurston PC)

Currently applied for – We apply to multiple funders for support and these applications are ongoing. Our average income is around £140000.

Please use this space for any significant information about your organisation not already supplied

SARS is a long standing local charity which is nearing it's 50<sup>th</sup> year. Historically we have always received generous support from our local parish councils and this has played a significant role in ensuring our sustainability. The last 12 months have been incredibly challenging for everyone but we are proud of the fact that our volunteers continue to respond to serious medical emergencies while combatting the ongoing pandemic. This has been done in their spare time at no charge to the patient. SARS volunteers have also contributed in other areas, helping roll out the vaccination process and providing remote clinical advice to colleagues in the emergency services. We hope that this forthcoming financial year will be a lot easier and aim to increase our resources in the next 12 months and help more patients who can benefit from our prehospital care.

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