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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: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:.....

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Principal aims and objectives: SARS provides volunteer clinicians who have additional skills and can carry equipment and drugs which are not found on frontline ambulances. This enables SARS responders to undertake advanced procedures at an incident scene which would not normally be possible outside a hospital environment. These can be truly life-saving interventions as well as having a positive impact on reducing the chances of patients suffering permanent disability and providing relief from pain. This service is provided at no cost to the patient and SARS clinicians are locally based and volunteer in their spare time.

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

SARS has increased its clinical activity over the last 12 months and our solo and team responders were mobilised 525 times in the last financial year (2022-23). This included attendances at serious medical emergencies in Thurston and the immediate surrounding area where our clinicians made life-saving interventions to help the patients involved. We are requesting a small contribution from the council to help cover some of the running costs (kit replacement etc..) of our specialist resources. SARS relies on voluntary grants and donations to support and maintain its charitable activity. Due to patient confidentiality we cannot go into specific details on the incidents attended but we are extremely active in this area and our service is available to the whole community.

Grant requested: £300

DETAILS OF OTHER GRANTS

Received in the last two years – 2022 £300, 2021 300

Currently applied for - We rely on voluntary grants and donations and therefore are making ongoing applications to a variety of funders.

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

We are now in our 51st year of operations and our service for the local community continues to provide significant benefit for the people of Suffolk. As the council is aware, our administrative HQ is in nearby Woolpit and one of our team resources is based there. We also have several solo responders who help cover Thurston and the wider Mid Suffolk area. We have recently recruited 2 new paramedics to help increase the volume of our team shifts and we are currently in the process of adding at least two more doctors to our cohort. These new members will require some training and additional equipment. The council's previous grants have helped make these additions possible and we hope that you will continue to support our charitable activity over the coming 12 months as we continue to provide an invaluable resource for the local community.

I certify that the foregoing replies are accurate to the best of my knowledge

Signature of applicant 

Office Held Charity Manager Date 24/7/23