

- < the target(s) of the application,
- < what the application is aiming to achieve,
- < a simple plan covering the full lifecycle of the application,
- < a statement of the costs and how they will be met, and
- < a statement of how its impact will be measured and reported.

2.3.4 Application approval in principle. Six criteria will be assessed for approval:

1. Is it in line with the aims of the URC's Discipleship Development Strategy?
2. With the grant, is the application viable? Have all of the resource needs been fully identified and sourced? It is particularly important to consider the human resource needs of the project.
3. Is the application sustainable? Does the award of a grant carry with it the implication of further grants being needed in the future?
4. Is the application credible? Is it deliverable and likely to achieve its aims?
5. Does the application add sufficient 'value' to justify its cost? Value will have a number of dimensions. In this regard one key dimension is the number of disciples impacted by this initiative. With experience, a guide (but not benchmark) such as cost per disciple can be developed.
6. Does the application have any innovative elements, and if so, will they be shared to

- ◁ Courses (at any level) at any of the United Reformed Church Resource Centres for Learning or other suitable learning providers;
- ◁ Books, equipment and resources related to a particular topic or activity;
- ◁ Attendance at Synod learning events; and
- ◁ Travel costs for attending learning events.

2.6 The activity can be within the church, the community or an institution in which they are serving. Activities can be face-to-face or virtual, live or recorded, or a combination of the above.

2.7 Are there any restrictions? The grants would not be expected to cover the cost of 'normal' operations or to replace money that would usually be provided through the usual denominational or Synod budgeting processes. In addition, it is not expected, at least in the short term, to award multiple grants to the same group or project. These awards are fundamentally aimed at Lay Discipleship Development and not intended to have mission as their main focus and priority.

2.8 How are applications made? Applications will be made using a simple form and sent to the Secretary for Education & Learning.

2.9 How are grants paid? For a project which has a plan of less than a y p4 Tf1 0 0 1 291.65 503.59 T