

The Somerset Archaeological & Natural History Society exists to promote and encourage archaeology in the historic county of Somerset for the benefit and education of the public, and uses the interest from a number of endowed funds for its Heritage Grants scheme.

Twice each year the Society offers a number of grants, normally **no more than £2000 each**, to support research and to improve public access to the history & archaeology of the historic County of Somerset. Grants are available to individuals as well as organisations, but please note that the Society does not provide bursaries to support private education or study.

GUIDELINES

The Maltwood Fund is dedicated to support high quality research into the archaeology and history of historic Somerset. Research that will forward the priorities agreed in the South West Archaeology Research Framework will be particularly welcome.

The Gray Fund is dedicated to promoting activities that encourage public understanding, interest and participation in archaeology and history. Applications to support training schemes and activities involving young people are particularly welcome.

Applications may include funds for C14 dating, dendrochronology or other forms of dating or scientific analysis of materials or objects. All applicants will be expected to make the results of their work available widely through publication in a variety of formats and media. Only in exceptional circumstances will the Society support personal costs of equipment, travel, subsistence and accommodation. VAT costs will only be paid where the project is run by an individual or small organisation that is unable to reclaim VAT. Application forms are downloadable from the Society's website and must be submitted electronically in Microsoft Word format and submitted by 28 February or 31 August each year. Further information may be obtained from the Office Manager at

office@sanhs.org or by telephone on 01823 272429.

CONDITIONS

All grants are subject to the following general conditions, and special conditions may also be applied.

- 1. The grant must be spent on the project as described on the application form. If changing circumstances make this impossible, prior written permission from the Society must be obtained for any proposed variation. Failure to obtain such permission will disqualify the applicant from claiming the grant.
- 2. The Society's grant should be acknowledged on all appropriate occasions. The form of the acknowledgement shall be "Supported by the Maltwood or Gray Fund of the Somerset Archaeology & Natural History Society" as appropriate.
- 3. Payment of grants will be dependent on the receipt of invoices paid to carry out the agreed work and of a brief report (maximum 200 words) submitted in electronic form suitable for a general readership and for publication in the Society's Newsletter. An accompanying illustration will always be welcome. Such brief reports may also be published on the Society's website.
- 4. The Society will also expect that, at minimum, a report for the "Shorter Papers" section of the Society's annual Proceedings to be produced as soon as possible, and that a full report would be offered for publication in

Proceedings if that is appropriate. The Society also expects to have the right to publish all reports, short and long, on its own website.

- 5. A statement of accounts and a brief report must be submitted to the Society within 12 months of the offer of a grant and earlier if the grant is being claimed.
- 6. Grants offers not claimed within 12 months may be withdrawn unless a request is made for an extension of a further 12 months. An offer of grant will be completely withdrawn if not claimed within 24 months. However a fresh application may be accepted after that date.

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