

APPLICATION FORM FOR GRANT 22/23

Please read the policy on pages 1, 2 and 3 **before** filling in the form.

1. Name/Address of Organisation: Dentaaid Limited

Dentaaid The Dental Charity

116 Commercial Road, Totton, Hampshire, SO40 3AD

Name of person making the application: Sophia Fekoohe

Position in organisation: Trusts & Grants Fundraiser

Contact phone number: 01794 324249

Email address: Supplied

About Your Organisation

2. Does your organisation:

	Yes
Have its own bank account, which requires two unrelated people to authorise cheques and make withdrawals?	Yes
Have at least three members on its management committee	Yes
Have a constitution, terms of reference or set of rules (<i>please contact for help with this if needed</i>)	Yes

3. Are you a registered charity? Yes

If so, please give your charity number: 1075826

4. Is your organisation part of, or affiliated to, a larger organisation? No

If so, which: N/A

5. Aims and objectives of your organisation; What does your organisation do and how does it benefit the residents of Weymouth?

Founded in 1996, Dentaïd initially began in developing countries supporting with oral health education projects, dental engineer training and equipment. During this time Dentaïd has increased capacity and advanced skills for dental professionals internationally, particularly in countries with failing dental healthcare systems. Dentaïd believes that everyone should have access to safe, sustainable and affordable dental care. The first UK project took place in 2015, running free clinics in West Yorkshire, for those struggling to access dental care. Nationally, Dentaïd is the only charity providing outreach dental services in the UK for the most vulnerable people, highlighting our unique position to expand our work and services across the UK.

This project aims to help those experiencing immediate dental pain while maintaining the long-term goal of re-engaging patients with dental care. So far this year we have worked with The Lantern Trust in Weymouth and organised three mobile dental clinics, providing 107 treatments to 22 patients.

Our patients face many barriers to accessing dental care, including not having a fixed address or NHS number, access to technology for managing appointments, language barriers, chaotic lifestyles that makes keeping appointments difficult, anxiety or phobias or lack of access to public transport. Dentaïd's mission is to break down these barriers, helping individuals access essential free dental treatment, as well as alleviating immense pressure that NHS services are currently experiencing.

6. Where does your organisation meet? Virtually and In Person

7. How often do you meet? Quarterly (Once every January, March, July and November)

8. How many members does your organisation have? N/A

9. How many people will benefit from this funding? 24 Individuals

10. How many of these are Weymouth Town Council area residents? 100%

11. How much funding are you applying for? £2,500.00

12. What is the total cost of your project? £5,000.00

NOTE: Weymouth Town Council will only approve allocations up to £5,000 in exceptional circumstances that are clearly detailed in question 15, with regard to the information in Policy point 6.

13. Briefly describe the project or purchase you would like the funding for:

We carefully design innovative care pathways that specifically suit the organisations and patients we work with; using our fleet of mobile dental units visiting locations where our patients feel comfortable and safe. We offer dental screening, oral cancer checks, pain relieving and urgent treatments, preventative and restorative dentistry and oral health advice. Each clinic costs £1,250 running for 4 to 6 hours providing urgent dental treatment to approximately 8 to 12 people per clinic.

We are working with some of the most marginalised in society, with our attention on people experiencing homelessness and underserved communities. This project will focus on providing oral healthcare in Weymouth, with our mobile dental unit based at The Lantern Trust. The funding would go towards running four clinics over the next year. The support from Weymouth Town Council of £2,500 would go towards half of the project funds and the remaining funds raised by The Lantern Trust. Our clinic data from our three previous clinics this year shows that we would see approximately 30 patients from a further four clinics, providing approximately 143 dental treatments.

14. Which of the Council's priorities does the project contribute to?

- Improve the wellbeing of the people of Weymouth.
- Manage the Council's assets and resources responsibly and transparently.
- Manage the Council's services effectively to meet the needs of the communities we serve.
- Work to become greener and cleaner in our activities as well as supporting our communities and partners to be as green as possible.
- Promote opportunities for economic success of the area.
- Strive for continuous improvement and service development.
- Work with partners to deliver our core values and strategy.

15. If your application is for between £3,000 and £5,000 please give full details of the **exceptional circumstances** relating to your request. Please see policy point 6 for examples of what constitutes exceptional circumstances

N/A

16. How will you spend the money you are applying for? Please remember that Weymouth Town Council do not normally give grants for running costs unless associated with a specific project.

Item	Amount
Weymouth Mobile Dental Clinic Cost @£1250 per clinic x2 clinics	£2,500.00
Total	£2,500.00

17. How else are you funding your project? Include grants from other organisations, fund raising and existing reserves:

Source	£	Confirmed?
The SMB Charitable Trust	£3,000.00	Yes
The Alice Ellen Cooper-Dean Charitable Foundation	£5,000.00	Yes
Total	£8,000.00	Yes

18. How will the funding benefit the community or residents of Weymouth?

We have created the opportunity for dentists, dental nurses and non dental assistants to assist providing dental care for people experiencing homelessness and other vulnerable or hard-to-reach communities. Like in many industries, it is essential to gain people focused experience of providing care or service. Our volunteering opportunities not only give back to local communities, but also provide a fulfilling first hand opportunity for further clinical insight; enabling strong and inclusive communities.

At the end of 2022 there were no NHS dentists in Dorset taking on new patients and many dentists are now only accepting patients who can access private dental care. Healthwatch Dorset reported that following contact with all 95 dental practices listed on the NHS website, of the 78 practices that responded, none were taking adult patients with 17 now only treating private patients, further highlighting how the lack of access to routine and urgent dental care is impacting on local people’s health and wellbeing. Many individuals are suffering from ongoing pain and unresolved dental issues because they have not been able to access treatment through an NHS or private dentistry, especially in Weymouth.

Individuals who volunteer with Dentaaid support their local community and gain life enhancing work experience, while relieving the demand on the overburdened NHS and local healthcare services. We know by providing access to dental care this will help relieve NHS services, including individuals who frequently visit their local emergency room, experiencing dental pain, or those contacting 111. Our services are equitably available and play a wider role in society in delivering public services for underserved communities.

19. If your project focusses on a particular area of Weymouth, please give the name of the Councillor who is supporting your application?

N/A

20. How do you know that the groups you work with, or the local community, want this project to take place? Please detail any consultation undertaken:

This project will support The Lantern Trust, an independent charity founded to provide help to vulnerable and marginalised people across the Weymouth and Portland area. Their ethos is to empower their clients and always encourage personal choice and responsibility, building lasting trust in our relationships. This includes assisting them with access to essential healthcare to in turn improve their wellbeing.

It is known there is a call for a more rapid and radical reform of how dentistry is commissioned and provided, nationally and locally. Furthermore, to ensure individuals are not excluded from dental services due to lack of local provision or difficulty meeting charges.

The significant improvements our services have provided to our patients' lives can be depicted from some of our quotes from one of our previous dental clinic projects in Weymouth:

'Had two extractions today which have been causing me pain for months, I haven't been able to see a dentist for years so I'm so grateful for seeing you guys today.'

'My back teeth have been causing me agonising pain and discomfort for a while now, especially when I am eating. Causing anxiety because I'm afraid if I eat normally it will hurt. Hoping today the dentist will be able to sort it out and I will be able to eat normally again.'

21. How will this funding lead to greater self-sufficiency and lessen the need for future applications?

Dentaid is going through a period of rapid transformation. We are being overwhelmed by demands for our clinics. In 2020 we operated 19 clinics. In 2021 we operated 174 clinics, saw 1540 patients, and conducted 5840 treatments. In 2022 we operated 300 clinics and treated nearly 3000 people. We aim to carry out multiple clinics annually for The Lantern Trust clients; creating access to free dental care and to re-engage clients with NHS dentists. It is imperative to our work that any clinic we run is part of an ongoing programme within the locations to ensure continuity of care is available.

Dentaid operates by working in partnership with charity providers. Our clinics are funded jointly whereby the partner has funds available to support clinic costs. Otherwise, Dentaid's fundraising team applies for grants, to support ongoing costs of each project. We hope this to be a long term sustainable project, whereby the charity partner will engage in supporting this project, upon seeing the life changing benefits for their clients. This often happens after the initial funding round has ended.

22. How is your organisation normally funded? Not applicable to new organisations:

Dentaid is fortunate to receive the support of regular givers and will hold several well supported fundraising events throughout the year. When working in geographical areas, Dentaid contact local dental surgeries in those areas not just for professionals to work on the unit but to encourage them to help Dentaid fundraising to support the clinics. Furthermore, contracts with other councils.

For previous projects across Weymouth, The Lantern Trust has supported the mobile dental clinic projects by self fundraising.

23. What are your current/planned subs/fees/charges?

Each clinic costs £1,250 running for 4 to 6 hours providing urgent dental treatment to approximately 8 to 12 people per clinic. This cost can vary depending on location, fuel and staff accommodation costs.

24. Have you applied for any other funds/grants towards the cost of this project or purchase? Please include details below:

We have received a large donation of £5,000.00 from The Alice Ellen Cooper-Dean Charitable Foundation (restricted to The Lantern Trust projects) and £3,000.00 from The SMB Charitable Trust. We have also applied for £4,500.00 from Action Hampshire (restricted to Weymouth projects) and £5,000.00 from The Hays Travel Foundation (restricted to Weymouth projects).

25. What fund raising activities took place in the **last** 12 months and what fund-raising activities are planned for the **next** 12 months, if any?

Dentaid receives crucial support from corporate sponsorships, individual giving and legacy income. Support from our corporate partnerships continue to strengthen, with funding from some of the largest companies in the dental industry. This includes our partnership with Denplan, part of Simplyhealth, Septodont and Bupa Dental Care. Our close partnership with Macmillan Cancer Support, Southampton Hospitals Charity and University Hospital Southampton, supports us with our local projects for cancer patients in Southampton.

We have seen a dramatic increase in the number of fundraisers embarking on incredible journeys to raise funds for Dentaid. In February 2022 we supported an individual to climb Mount Kilimanjaro. He raised £55,971 for Dentaid. Our fundraising programme for 2023 includes our Charity Golf Day, two Sky dives and our Jurassic Coast Trek in September.

26. Anticipated income/expenditure for the next 12 months?

Figures 2023:

Total Projected Income £1,501,000

Total Projected Expenditure £1,320,000

Total Projected Charitable Expenditure £884,279

Projected Surplus / Deficit £181,000

Total Projected Free Reserves £73,000

Total Projected Designated Funds (if any) £193,000

Total Projected Restricted Reserves £85,000

27. Details of any grants or financial support received from local authorities including Weymouth Town Council in the past three years with dates:

We have received funding from local authorities to support our dental projects across the UK, but not specifically in relation to our Weymouth clinics.

28. Grants from non-local authority sources in the last three years with dates, if you have any:

We have received grants from non-local authorities to support our dental projects across the UK, but not specifically in relation to our Weymouth clinics.

29. Has the project that you want the funding for already happened? No

30. Will you be passing the funding on to any other groups (except to pay for goods and services)? No

31. If the funding is for security measures do you have the support of the local police and/or crime reduction officer?

Not Applicable

32. If the funding is for work with vulnerable adults or children, do you have the support of either Adult Social Care or Children's Services at Dorset Council?

Not applicable (Lantern Trust works with local Adult Social Care Services at Dorset Council)

Please give us details of the bank account that the grant should be paid into if approved (this cannot be a building society passbook account):

Name of Account: Supplied

Account number: Supplied

Sort Code: Supplied

Please ensure you have read the policy on pages 1 - 3 before signing the form.

Checklist (please tick the appropriate boxes)

Have you submitted the following?

- A copy of your most recent accounts (not more than 12 months old);
- Your most recent bank account statement & details of any other investments/savings (not more than 3 months old);
- A copy of your constitution / terms of reference / set of rules;
- A copy of the notes from your last Annual General Meeting;
- Details of your organisation's officers;
- A copy of your safeguarding policy if your group works with vulnerable adults, or children;
- A copy of your adopted equal opportunities policy or statement;
- Any other documentation you feel may help in assessing your application.

Privacy Notice

In accordance with the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR), I/We agree that Weymouth Town Council will process and hold personal information about me/us and my/our group or organisation only in relation to this grant application. I/We consent to my/our personal information, including that contained in this form, being stored manually and/or electronically by Weymouth Town Council. It will be held securely and treated confidentially for six years after an application is made. I/We understand that it will only be accessed by authorised staff members to manage the grant application process.

I also understand that Weymouth Town Council may pass details onto an official organisation where required to do so by law or contract. I/We understand that my/our data will be disposed of securely six years after the application and that I/we have the right to correct the information at any time. I/We have been made aware of my/our rights under GDPR.

Declaration:

I/We declare that the information confirmed in this application is correct and that any grant received will be applied as detailed in the request.

I/We declare that we have read the policy on pages 1 - 3 and that our application complies with the policy.

I/We declare that I/we have included all the requested information.

I/We fully understand that if I/we do not include the requested information and/or if mine/our application does not comply with the policy, the application may be rejected.

I/We fully understand that we will need to attend a Finance and Governance Committee meeting to present our request.

Signed:

Name: Sophia Fekoche

Date: ...03/04/2023.....

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Grant applications must be checked against the following criteria. Any questions where the answer is no must be reported to the Finance and Policy Committee meeting where the application is being considered and must form part of the formal agenda items list for that meeting.

Yes	No (investigate)	
Yes		The grant will result in a benefit for the area covered by the Town Council and will contribute positively to the area of Weymouth?
Yes		Does the grant exclude ongoing running costs?
Yes		If the application is for running costs has the applicant included plans for where future running costs will be found from?
Yes		Is the grant for a group and not for individuals or organisations whose function is primarily undertaken by the health authority or Dorset Council's Social Services?
Yes		Is the grant for non-political or non-quasi-political organisations or projects?
Yes		Is the grant application for £5,000 or less?
n/a		For applications in excess of £5,000, has the applicant fully detailed the exceptional circumstances?
Yes		Does the application include the required financial and organisational information?
Yes		Is this the only application in this financial year from this group or organisation?
Yes		Is the applicant based in the Town Council area? If not, has the applicant detailed what proportion of beneficiaries of the grant reside in the area?
Yes		Is the application for future funding? (i.e. not retrospective)
Yes		Is the grant for the sole use of the applying group and not to pass on money?
Yes		Has the applicant demonstrated how one-off grant funding will lead to greater self-sufficiency and lessen the need for future applications?
n/a		For applications for funds for security measures, does the applicant have the support of the local police or crime reduction officer?
Yes		For projects involving vulnerable children or adults, do the organisers have the support of Adult Social Care or Children's Services at Dorset Council?
Yes		Will a representative be attending an F&G meeting?

Assessing officer: Helen Legg

Date of assessment: 12th April 2023

Decision (delete as applicable): proceed to committee

Approved as agenda item for the Finance and Governance meeting on: 26th April 2023