

Ely Bauxite Mine Aboriginal Beneficiaries Trust (the 'Ely Trust')

Criteria for Allocating Ely Communities Projects Funding

Overriding Criterion

The **overriding criterion** is that funding allocated to Community Projects must **NOT** be for the benefit of individuals or small numbers of persons, but must create broadly based benefits for members of the Ely Agreement Aboriginal community. The Ely Trust defines the Ely Agreement Aboriginal Community as the members of the Traditional Owner Groups that are parties to the Ely Mine Agreement, and the Aboriginal communities of Mapoon, Napranum and New Mapoon.

The need for Community Projects to create broadly based benefits arises specifically from:

- The desire of Ely Trust Directors to ensure that the Trust's operations benefit a wide cross section of the Ely Agreement Aboriginal Community;
- The fact that the Community Projects Trust is a Charitable Trust. This means that under relevant Australian legislation the funds it applies must be used for purposes such as advancing health, education, social or public welfare, religion, culture, the natural environment or other similar purposes 'beneficial to the general public'. If funds are not applied in this way, the Community Projects Trust might lose its charitable status and its income would then be heavily taxed by the Australian Government.

The Ely Trust's recent decisions in relation to funding of Community Projects reflect application of this criterion, with applications being supported for activities such as school camps or sporting activities and facilities, which benefit a large number of children; community buses which are available to improve the access of all community members to, for instance, shopping facilities; and purchase of a hearse, designed to ease the burden on all families in a community that suffer bereavement.

Other criteria

In developing its strategic direction and establishing priorities for use of its resources the Ely Trust has identified additional criteria that are relevant to assessment of applications for Community Project funding.

Projects that **WILL** be regarded favourably are:

- Those that focus on youth, and especially that focus on young people in the phase of their lives between completing primary school and gaining sustainable employment;
- Projects from applicants that can demonstrate a record of successfully implementing similar projects or activities;
- Those that have also attracted funds from other sources (e.g. the WCCCA; government; private companies) or have a clear strategy for doing so;

- Projects that complement existing infrastructure or services or facilitate their use (e.g. purchase of equipment to extend the use of an existing sports facility);
- Projects that help build the capacity and skills of community members and organisations and so promise to create sustainable benefits over the long term;
- Involve applicants that are incorporated and currently active in the community or communities to which an application relates.

Projects that will **NOT** be regarded favourably:

- Those involving activities that are a core responsibility of government, for example basic education and health, **except** where there is an urgent need for a service and government has refused to provide it;
- Those involving activities that the WCCCA or other trusts are already undertaking (e.g. funeral fund, white goods);
- Those which offer only a short-term benefit, and which generate no or little lasting contribution to community welfare.

Administrative matters

The Ely Trust cannot operate efficiently and make informed decisions unless it has adequate information about proposed Community Projects and sufficient time to consider this information.

To ensure that this occurs:

1. No applications will be considered that are not received 10 working days prior to a scheduled Ely Trust meeting to consider Community Project applications;
2. No applications will be considered unless all sections of the 'Application for Funding: Ely Community Projects Charitable Trust' are completed. Where incomplete applications are received more than 10 working days before a scheduled Ely Trust meeting, they will be returned to applicants immediately with a request that they be completed and submitted by the due date for applications.
3. To ensure that all necessary information is included in applications, applicants are strongly encouraged to discuss their application with the Ely Trust Project Officer in the relevant community well ahead of the due date for submission of applications.

APPLICATION FOR FUNDING
ELY COMMUNITY PROJECTS CHARITABLE TRUST

Please complete all of the information required by this form, and attach any documentation providing further information if relevant. The more information you can provide about your project the better, as this will allow Ely to make a better informed decision about your application. Failure to provide relevant information will result in delays to your application being assessed, and could lead to it being rejected.

APPLICANT DETAILS

Full Name:

ABN, if applicable:

Postal Address:

Email address:

Name of contact person:

Contact telephone no.

THE PROJECT

What is the name of the project?

Please provide a description of the project. Provide as much detail as you are able, including images and supporting documentation, if possible.

Who will be delivering the project?

When is it proposed that the project be carried out?	
Who will benefit from the project? Ely supports projects for community and charitable purposes not private, profit making ventures	
Will this project be carried out once, or do you envisage that it will be repeated? If it will be repeated, how often?	
Do you have a record of successfully implementing similar projects or activities? Please provide details.	
Are you incorporated?	
In a few words describe your existing activity/activities in the community.	
PROJECT TIMELINE	
When do you propose to start the project?	
Are there significant milestones to be achieved during the project? If so, when will they occur?	
When will the project be finished?	

PROJECT BUDGET		
Please provide a full budget for the project, showing how you propose to expend funding from Ely and other sources.		
<p>If funding from Ely will not be the only source of funding or income for the project, please identify:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What other sources of funding or income there will be; 2. How much funding will be obtained from each source; and 3. Has this funding already been secured? 		
REQUEST FOR FUNDING		
<p>What amount of funding do you seek from Ely?</p> <p>Where possible, funding will be made direct to the supplier.</p>		
If your request for funding is approved, please provide the details of a bank account into which the funding is to be paid	Account Name:	
	Bank:	
	BSB:	
	Account:	
<p>On behalf of the applicant, I declare that the information provided in and accompanying this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I confirm that I am authorised to make this application on behalf of the applicant. I agree to use my best endeavours to promptly and accurately answer any request for further information which Ely may have in relation to this application or the project.</p>		
Signature	Name (please print)	Date