

Dent with Cowgill Parish Council Sub-Committee Recommendation

Committee **Policy and Resource Committee**
Date **14 June 2021**

Purpose of the Report

To recommend to full council that an application be made to achieve the Gold Standard in the Local Council Award Scheme.

Recommendation

To make a submission to CALC with a view to being awarded the Quality Gold accreditation.

Context

The Local Council Award Scheme replaces the Quality Parish scheme and recognises the work of a parish council against certain criteria. The assessment is carried out by peers who have excellent knowledge of council procedures

Alignment to Dent Parish Council Objectives

This recommendation aligns with the following objectives:

Promoting Tourism and the Dale

Improve the Health and Wellbeing and Environment of the Dale

Background

The council has been involved in a programme of continuous improvement, including the Clerk gaining a CiLCA qualification, forming committees to improve efficiency and creating new policies for Community Engagement and Housing.

This award would enhance the reputation of the council and confirm that the work that it is doing is of a high standard and is in the best interests of the community.

Financial Implications

It is likely that the clerk will need to spend between 6 and 10 hours compiling a portfolio of evidence to support the application. It is recommended that this be over a period of 4 – 6 months.

The application fee is £50 and the accreditation fee is £100.

Conclusion

The Policy and Resource Committee considered the award worthy of the time and financial input required and recommends that an application is made.

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