

Leicester & District Branch of the MS Society

Applications for Support Grants

What are Support Grants?

The branch may be able to provide financial assistance either locally and/or nationally towards the cost of items which are not available through the statutory agencies. We may also fund non equipment items, such as paying for a few hours to provide support to carers, allowing them to have some time for themselves whilst knowing that the person they care for is in good hands.

How much are the Grant Awards?

The local branch has put aside a sum of £100 per month. This amount will be reviewed at each Committee meeting, and may be increased or decreased depending upon the overall financial health of the branch.

The grant may also be topped up by support from the National Centre.

How to Apply

Anyone with MS in the area covered by the branch can apply.

For an application form, please contact the branch Support Officer on 07522 744604, email leicesterms@yahoo.co.uk

Or the National Grants Team at the MS Society on 0208 438 0700, email grants@mssociety.org.uk .

Further information is available on the MS Society website

http://www.mssociety.org.uk/support_and_services/grants/how_to_apply.html

As the branch develops its grant awards, information will be put onto the branch website.

Process for Assessment.

Any decisions about welfare grants are made by at least 3 people, agreed by the committee.

The full committee will discuss an applications summary. This will be dealt with confidentially, with details anonymously.

This process will start in June 2010.

The supporting information will be reviewed as will the level of grant being sought, whether funding is available elsewhere (eg statutory funding) and whether the application has any existing match funding from other sources.