

Category 1: Scoring matrix – Group Support Grant

Categories	Low (0-3)	Medium (4-6)	High (7-10)
Evidence of need and organisational capacity to deliver (50%)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Little to no description of the purpose of funding. • Little to no evidence of project planning. • No quotes provided for the purpose of funding. • No evidence of volunteer numbers or in-kind support. • No budget provided. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Short description of the purpose of funding. • Little evidence of project planning. • Some quotes provided for the purpose of funding. • Some evidence provided of volunteer hours or in-kind support. • Short budget provided. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Detailed description of the purpose of funding. • Evidence of good project planning. • All quotes provided for the purpose of funding. • Detailed evidence provided of volunteer hours or in-kind support. • Detailed budget provided.
Alignment to Council priorities (25%)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gender, accessibility and inclusion have not been considered. • Does not align with key Council strategies and plans set out in program aims and objectives. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gender, accessibility/inclusion have been considered. • Somewhat aligns with key Council strategies and plans set out in program aims and objectives. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increased participation has been actively sought for specific groups e.g. gender, age and ability. • Strongly aligns with key Council strategies and plans set out in program aims and objectives.
Environment group status (25%)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No confirmation of environment group status. • AGM and Treasurers Report not provided • Impact of community benefit not reflected in the application. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Confirmation of environment group status. • AGM and Treasurers Report provided • Impact of community benefit reflected in the application. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Confirmation of environment group status. • AGM and Treasurers Report provided • Detailed impact of community benefit reflected in the application.

Category 2: Scoring matrix - Biolink Boost

Categories	Low (0-3)	Medium (4-6)	High (7-10)
Evidence of need (30%)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Little to no description of the purpose of funding. • Little to no evidence of costs. • Little to no evidence of project planning. • Little to no quotes or budget provided. • Little to no evidence of volunteer hours or in-kind support. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Some description of the purpose of funding. • Some evidence of costs for funding. • Some evidence of project planning. • Some quotes and budget provided. • Some evidence provided of volunteer hours or in-kind support. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Detailed description of proposed project. • Strong evidence of costs for funding. • Evidence of good project planning. • Detailed quotes and budget provided. • Detailed evidence provided of volunteer hours or in-kind support.
Alignment to Council priorities (20%)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gender, accessibility and inclusion have not been considered. • Does not align with key Council strategies and plans set out in program aims and objectives. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gender, accessibility/inclusion have been considered. • Somewhat aligns with key Council strategies and plans set out in program aims and objectives. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increased participation has been actively sought for specific groups e.g. gender, age and ability. • Strongly aligns with key Council strategies and plans set out in program aims and objectives.
Linkage to the grant objectives and aims (20%)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supports no program objectives • No photos, maps or location details provided. • Little to no details provided on how the project will increase protection or extension of habitat connectivity for flora or fauna. • Little to no detail provided on a maintenance and monitoring program as part of the project. • Little to no engagement or collaboration with the local community is detailed. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supports two or more of the program objectives. • 1-2 site photos and maps provided without exact location details. • Some details provided on how the project will increase protection or extension of habitat connectivity for flora or fauna. • Some details provided on a maintenance and monitoring program as part of the project • Some engagement or collaboration with the local community. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supports three or more of the program objectives. • Several site photos, maps and exact project location provided. • Several details provided on how the project will increase protection or extension of habitat connectivity for flora or fauna. • Several details provided on a maintenance and monitoring program as part of the project • Strong engagement or collaboration with other community groups demonstrated.
Ability to deliver project (30%)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Little to no project planning - aims are unclear or appear unachievable, the project description lacks clarity and task list is incomplete or has little attention to detail. • Inadequate budget - unclear/incomplete, no funds or in-kind contribution, no additional funding included, where applicable. • No three-year project maintenance plan provided. • No supporting documentation provided. • Little to no special conditions have been met. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Some project planning - clear and achievable aims and project timeline. • Adequate budget - most costs or income sources identified, some funds or in-kind contributions included, additional funding sources, where applicable.. • Three-year project maintenance plan provided with minor details. • Some supporting documentation provided. • All special conditions have been met with little detail. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strong project planning - clear articulation of all tasks in a logical order with realistic timelines • Sound budget - all costs and income sources clearly identified, in-kind contributions included, and additional funding sources, where applicable.. • Three-year project maintenance plan provided with carefully considered details. • All supporting documentation provided. • All special conditions have been met with specific details.