Guidance for good causes wishing to join the Cheltenham Lottery (eligibility criteria)

We want to enable appropriate organisations to join the Cheltenham Lottery as good causes. As you will be joining under our overall gambling license (Gambling Act 2005) we have to ensure that member organisations meet certain criteria. There is no application fee.

Your organisation must:

- Provide community activities or services within Cheltenham Borough
- Be able to demonstrate that its activities contribute to Cheltenham's Place Vision. The vision is that Cheltenham is a place:
 - Where all our people and the communities they live in thrive;
 - Where culture and creativity thrives, celebrated and enjoyed throughout the year;
 - o Where businesses and their workforces thrive; and
 - Where everyone thrives.
- Have a formal constitution or set of rules.
- Have a bank account requiring at least 2 unrelated signatories.
- Operate with no undue restrictions on membership.
- Have a detailed plan as to how the lottery will be promoted.

And be either:

- A constituted group with a volunteer management committee, with a minimum of three unrelated members, that meets on a regular basis (at least 3 times per year).
- A registered charity, with a board of trustees.

Or:

 A registered Community Interest Company, and provide copies of your Community Interest Statement, details of the Asset Lock included in your Memorandum and Articles of Association, and a copy of your latest annual community interest report.

We will not permit applications to join the Lottery:

- From groups promoting or lobbying for particular religious or political beliefs or campaigns.
- From organisations that do not do work within the boundaries of Cheltenham Borough.
- From individuals.
- From organisations which aim to distribute a profit.
- From organisations with no established management committee/board of trustees (unless a CIC).
- That are incomplete.

The Council reserves the right to reject any application for any reason.

The Council reserves the right to cease to license any organisation with a minimum of 7 days notice for any reason. If fraudulent or illegal activity is suspected cessation will be immediate.