



About the Scheme:

Burg-Wächter is a leading company providing locking products that keep people's home, property, equipment and businesses safe and secure. The company provides safes, post boxes, locks, cables and chains, alarms and smart security solutions. Behind the company's promise 'Always the Safe Choice' is a commitment to help protect what is important to people. Besides physical security, being part of an active and thriving community is a vital factor in helping people feel safe and secure. Encouraging and protecting such communities is the principle behind the Burg-Wächter Secure Communities Scheme, offering awards of up to £1000* cash or security product to a similar value. Alternately a mixture of product and cash to a combined similar value can be provided.

Any projects which involve a local community or charity and require support in terms of security can apply. Examples include: raising money or undertaking projects that involve community land or property such as village halls, allotments, playing fields or sports pavilions. Activities could involve refurbishment or maintenance of community areas. Shows and events run for the community benefit are also eligible, where there is a need to secure venues, sites, props, equipment, storage or stands.

Eligibility:

The Burg-Wächter awards are open to any charity, social enterprise, not for profit and/or community organisation operating/providing benefits at a local level. Local branches of national organisations may apply so long as the funds allocated are spent at a local level.

The scheme aim to provide support to smaller events and activities that might not attract mainstream sponsorships, grants or awards. Awards can be used as seed money to attract matching funds or to invest in fund-raising activities as well as being spent direct.

Opportunity:

The awards divide into two elements:

- 1) An award of up to £1000*
- 2) Security products to an agreed retail value. In cases where a cash award is not desirable, the awarded funds can be put towards product.

Criteria:

Nominations for projects are reviewed quarterly aiming to allocate funds on a monthly basis throughout the year. The awards can apply to any event, activity, property, equipment or item that provides benefit to the local community. Preference will go to applications that include some aspect of physical security. Applications are asked to explain:

- 1) How the grant will benefit the local community
- 2) Any security requirements relating to the event, activity, property, equipment or item



Successful nominations demonstrate clarity of purpose and vision and clearly describe:

- What the project encompasses
- The details of the cause it is supporting and who the intended beneficiaries are
- What are the intended community benefits
- Who is involved in the project (organisers, fund holders, responsible adults etc.)
- When (timescales)
- How the project is to be managed (any plans, schedules and budget projections)

In the case that the Awards are oversubscribed, priority is given to those applications that offer the highest benefit to their local community and to those that would not normally be funded by other means. The award may be used as seed funds to attract matching funds so long as the use to which the funding will be put is explained in full.

Successful Applications:

Successful applicants will receive

- 1) Payment of the approved grant, by cheque or BACS transfer
- 2) An assessment of security requirements and an itemised list of relevant security products from which the applicant can select their choice to an agreed retail value**

Terms and Conditions:

Acceptance of an award commits the applicant to acknowledging the award as outlined under the terms and conditions for the scheme (see website). All applicants agree to uphold the ethos of the scheme, meeting all legal obligations and operate to best practice standards.

* Where awards are oversubscribed preference shown to applications of less than £500. Projects that come closest to the judging criteria and that will have the largest community benefit will be prioritised.

**To an agreed value based on the cash award given for the application