LEGACY FUND GUIDELINES

The broad principles are stated on the RSGB website together with examples of projects previously funded. This more specific guidance is to be read in conjunction with the application form.

The guidelines indicate factors likely to be taken into account by the Legacy Committee in making recommendations and by the RSGB Board in reaching decisions.

1. Purpose of the Legacy Fund.
   1.1. The Board is looking for exciting ideas to take amateur radio forward and enhance the service for the enthusiasts of today and tomorrow. It welcomes new ideas. Proposals which show innovation and development are particularly welcome – together with evidence of ability to complete projects successfully. In general, the fund is not available simply for routine equipment or premises acquisition/improvement.

2. Who may apply and information required
   2.1. An application must be sponsored by an active RSGB member or, for a club application, an RSGB affiliated club.
   2.2. The application form incorporates certain requirements and must be fully completed. They are:
   i. Clear project description
   ii. Statement of purpose
   iii. Main features
   iv. Technical aspects
   v. Experience/expertise of proposers
   vi. Benefits for amateur radio
   vii. Timescale
   viii. Costs
   ix. Ongoing costs
   x. Submission via General Manager.

   Note: Applications are expected to have a clear timescale for project completion. Where there are on-going revenue costs, the application must show how they will be met after the end of Legacy Funding.

3. Club applications
   3.1. The RM or DRM will be consulted by the Legacy Committee in respect of a club application
   3.2. An application must seek to benefit a wide group than the club itself or, exceptionally, a defined minority group. Club applications which benefit only the members of the applicant club or an individual will not normally be supported.

4. Equipment ownership
   4.1. Applications should be accompanied by a clear estimate of cost and the source of supply (i.e. a commercial supplier and most certainly not a fellow radio amateur). See 4.4. in respect of software.
4.2. Equipment for a club, purchased with legacy funding, will pass to the ownership of that club with a requirement that it will remain in club ownership (not with an individual) and appropriately insured. If not required, equipment will be offered back to the RSGB for reallocation.

4.3. Equipment purchased for use in connection with a project by individual members and/or an RSGB committee will be listed on the register of equipment maintained off-site and the project proposers are responsible for its security. If no longer required, such equipment will be offered for reallocation.

4.4. Software. The intellectual property position of software must be clear and specifically agreed. The Board may consider the purchase of software written or owned by an RSGB member.

5. Publicity
Recipients of Legacy Funding will be asked to provide a Radcom article or similar to show how the funding has made a difference to amateur radio.

6. Monitoring
Once agreed, projects will normally be linked to a named RSGB Board Liaison member or Committee Chair to ensure progress is being made and, where appropriate, to recommend any phased release of funding.

7. General
These guidelines are to help potential applicants. They are not binding on the Board which will make its decisions on the application as a whole and within the relevant policies of the Society,