Health & Wellbeing Group Grant Form (for small grants)

- 1. Name of applicant: Ms Kamalita Kinshasa
- 2. Organisation applying: Wiltshire Racial Equality Council
- 3. Contact details of applicant: 01225 766439 or 07561 846 728 email : wiltsrec@gmail.com

4. Total cost of your project (provide a simple breakdown of costs): £670

Hire of Open Blue Bus -petrol costs and play workers for 3 hours £450 Project administration and on site survey with families £220

5. How much are you applying for from the Health & Wellbeing Group fund? $\pounds 670.00$

6. What is the title of your project?

The Open Blue Bus Day Out to Diaryhouse Bridge

7. Please give a paragraph (or 2) description as to what your project is for/what its aims and objectives are

Our aims- to provide a day time visit from the Open Blue Bus to Diaryhouse Bridge to provide play opportunities for under 5s and primary children and a neutral space for parents to meet.

Objectives:

- Provide children from the Gypsies & Traveller Communities in Diaryhouse Bridge with new creative experiences.
- Provide pre-school children and older children an opportunity to play together in groups and prompt positive social and communication skills.
- Provide children with a new communal purpose built play space in their own locality.
- Provide an opportunity to promote values of health, happiness and wellbeing to isolated families.
- Provide an opportunity for parents and carers to have a space to interact in a group setting with other families.
- Provide a new and creative environment for families to share positive experience.
- Promote civic participation for an isolated group in a community activity.

8. Please tell us when your project will take place – Late May or June 2018

9. Does the project meet a local need? (for which postcodes?)

The project will visit one area - SP1 2LA

The project will meet a local need for an isolated ethnic minority community to have a fun day for children and opportunity for residents to experience a dedicated play/community space for children.

The project could potentially serve all ages and offer a space for service providers to deliver valuable information on health and wellbeing to residents in an isolated community.

10. How well does the project meet the priorities of the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment:

Loneliness \Box yes – a place for children and parents/carers for new activities in a stimulating environment.

Social Isolation \Box Yes – a place for community and family interaction. Dementia \Box

Carers \Box Yes place for carers to relax and have refreshments.

Avoidable admissions to hospital \Box yes – by providing a safe play area. Avoidable admissions to hospital due to falls \Box

(ie Does the project addresses the reasons why people are admitted to hospital eg providing opportunities for healthy eating/exercise etc)

Yes the project will provide a range of healthy eating snacks and refreshments to promote wellbeing.

11. How well have older people and their carers been/will be involved in the project?

From preliminary visits to Gypsies & Traveller communities by WREC 2017-2018, older people and carers expressed an interest in having a play facility for children. This idea of a play bus has especially welcome as it prompted happy memories of a play bus that used to visit Diary House Bridge $\sim 10 - 15$ years ago.

12. How accessible is the project for all? (Disabled access, low income, vulnerable, socially isolated etc)

The Open Blue Bus is purpose built facility that provides an accessible space for all. Including wheelchair accessible ground floor. The service is free to users and will park in the heart of the community in Diaryhouse Bridge.

13. How well will the project safeguard the welfare of vulnerable people? The Open Blue Bus project is a well organised and has been successfully running in North Wiltshire rural communities including Thingley, with full cooperation from

Wiltshire Council youth teams and NHS health service teams. Please see their website for more information: www.openblue.org.uk/

The Open Blue Bus & WREC team have policies in play for safeguarding, health & safety and equalities. WREC has a direct remit to promote the rights and health & wellbeing of Gypsies and Travellers in Wiltshire.

14. How will the you monitor and evaluate the project?

- Count the number of children and parents participating.
- 1:1 survey and informal interview with parents on site.
- Collation of comments.
- Report to be written on the feasibility of a play bus for the Salisbury/Southern area of Wiltshire.