

Grant Applications for Bradford on Avon on 12/11/2014

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**Current Status:** Application Appraisal

**To be considered at this meeting:**

12/11/2018 Bradford on Avon

**1. Which type of grant are you applying for?**

Community Area Grant

**2. Amount of funding required?**

£501 - £5000

**3. Are you applying on behalf of a Parish Council?**

No

**4. If yes, please state why this project cannot be funded from the Parish Precept**

N/A

**5. Project title?**

West Wilts Esprit Gymnastics Club Changing Room Upgrade and Fitness Suite.

**6. Project summary:**

West Wilts Esprit Gymnastics Club has now moved into its new premises on the White Horse

Business Park in Trowbridge. We are looking to upgrade our male and female toilets/changing rooms to make them more fit for purpose and more suitable for disability access and increased capacity, and also to add a small fitness suite to our ground floor to enable family, friends and members of the public to exercise whilst waiting for participants and on their own time.

**7. Which Area Board are you applying to?**

Bradford on Avon

**Electoral Division**

**8. What is the Post Code of where the project is taking place?**

BA14 0XE

**9. Please tell us which theme(s) your project supports:**

Children & Young People

2012 Olympic Legacy

Economy, enterprise and jobs

Health, lifestyle and wellbeing

Inclusion, diversity and community spirit

Safer communities

Sport, play and recreation

If Other (please specify)

N/A

**10. Finance:**

**10a. Your Organisation's Finance:**

**Your latest accounts:**

04/2014

**Total Income:**

£93378.00

**Total Expenditure:**

£89822.00

**Surplus/Deficit for the year:**

£3000.00

**Free reserves currently held:**

**(money not committed to other projects/operating costs)**

£1000.00

**Why can't you fund this project from your reserves:**

We have had considerable costs involved with the setting up of our new facility, and have used up almost all of the money we had available (approximately Â£30,000) to pay the up-

front costs (solicitor, electrician, architect, builder, building regulations requirements including fire and smoke detection, first quarter's rent). We have had some funding this year, which was for the purchase of equipment to replace that which was owned by DC Leisure (Places for People) and which we used previously whilst based at Trowbridge Sports Centre. Now that we are up and running, we have an urgent need to upgrade our changing facilities, and we wish to move to the next phase of our development which includes this changing room upgrade and a fitness facility.

We are a small community group and do not have annual accounts or it is our first year:

**10b. Project Finance:**

Total Project cost		£6000.00		
Total required from Area Board		£1000.00		
Expenditure (Itemised expenditure)	£	Income (Itemised income)	Tick if income confirmed	£
Sanitary Ware	1000.00	Trowbridge Town Council		1000.00
Plumber	1000.00	Trowbridge Area Board		3000.00
Fixtures and Fittings	1000.00	Fundraising	yes	1000.00
Fitness Equipment	2000.00			
Partitioning	600.00			
Disability Alarms	400.00			
<b>Total</b>	<b>£6000</b>			<b>£5000</b>

**11. Have you or do you intend to apply for a grant from another area board within this financial year?**

Yes

**12. If so, which Area Boards?**

Bradford on Avon  
Trowbridge

**13. Please tell us WHO will benefit and HOW they will benefit from your project benefit your local community?**

Our fantastic new facility benefits everyone in our main catchment area (Trowbridge, Westbury, Bradford-on-Avon and the surrounding villages) who wishes to become involved, or is already involved, in Gymnastics-related activity. We provide Gymnastics opportunities to participants aged 6 months and upwards and have waiting lists for a number of our classes. In the last year we have introduced a number of new Gymnastics-related activities such as

Rhythmic, Boys, Parkour, Adults, Trampolining and Disability and we wish to expand this provision, so we need to upgrade our current changing/toilet facilities. It is also our goal to further reach under-represented sectors of the community such as 11-25 year olds and single parents. We therefore are working towards setting up a small fitness room on our ground floor, which will attract our target under-represented audiences and offer general fitness opportunities and alternative activities to our members as well as their parents/guardians and siblings. This facility will also provide training and employment opportunities both for our current older teenage members and for the wider general public. We are also working with Wiltshire Health Trainers to provide them with somewhere to meet their clients (many of whom are single parents) and to have a small fitness facility to point them towards which is not as intimidating as the larger gyms in the county. We hope to become a training facility and offer both voluntary and paid employment to 14 year-olds upwards who wish to become fitness trainers, personal trainers and leaders. All of this is dependent on our obtaining the capital to purchase fitness equipment, and to have the toilet/changing facilities to support our growing membership.

**14. How will you monitor this?**

As an organisation we are currently in the process of applying for Gym Mark, which is British Gymnastics quality standard certification. As part of this, we have developed a detailed Action Plan, which provides the means for us to evaluate our progress at each stage of our development. This Action Plan means that we can measure our progress at 6-month, 12-month, 18-month and 2 year stages. We have also developed a database in which we keep all participant personal details, which means that we can dissect our membership at any time and check various characteristics against our target audiences. In this way, we will always know and can report periodically whether we are reaching our target under-represented groups and whether their numbers within our programmes are growing. We can also target our marketing geographically so that we can reach under-represented communities and, if necessary, ethnicities and/or age-groups. We also engage in quarterly surveys to gauge our members' opinions, and we have a comments book in Reception which we actively encourage members to fill in.

**15. If your project will continue after the Wiltshire Council funding runs out, how will you continue to fund it?**

We are applying for the Area Board Grant to help support the growth and development of a much bigger project. The new Gymnastics facility remains a not-for-profit organisation, so all income over and above our ongoing running costs is reinvested. The business will therefore remain self-funding.

**16. Is there anything else you think we should know about the project?**

We are applying for this Area Board Grant to upgrade the facilities of what has been a much bigger project: a permanent Gymnastics and Fitness facility for the community of Trowbridge and the surrounding area. This project has an annual cost, as the building will be rented. All our costs are calculated monthly, quarterly and annually, and are available for perusal if required.

**17. DECLARATION**

**Supporting information - Please confirm that the following documents will be available to inspect upon request:**

**Quotes:**

yes I will make available on request 1 quote for individual project costs over £500 & 2 quotes for project costs over £1000 (Individual project costs are listed in the expenditure section above)

**Accounts:**

yes I will make available on request the organisation's **latest accounts**

**Constitution:**

yes I will make available on request the organisation's Constitution/Terms of Reference etc.

**Policies and procedures:**

yes I will make available on request the necessary and relevant policies and procedures such as Child Protection, Safeguarding Adults, Public Liability Insurance, Access audit, Health & Safety and Environmental assessments.

**Other supporting information (Tick where appropriate, for some project these will not be applicable):**

**And finally...**

yes The information on this form is correct, that any award received will be spent on the activities specified.

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