

Area Board Projects and Councillor Led Initiatives Application Form 2016/2017

Application Form 20 10/2017								
To be completed by the Wiltshire Councillor leading on the project								
	Please ensure that you have read the Funding Criteria before completing this form PLEASE COMPLETE ALL SECTIONS TO ENSURE THAT YOUR APPLICATION CAN BE CONSIDERED							
1. Contact Details								
Area Board Name	Royal Wootton Bassett and Cricklade Area Board							
Your Name	John Loran							
Contact number								
Contact number		e-maii	jsloran@aol.com					
2. The project								
Project Title/Name	Royal Wootton Bassett and District Men's Shed							
Please tell us about the project /activity you want to organise/deliver and why? Important: This section is limited to 900 characters only (inclusive of spaces).	The Royal Wootton Bassett and District Men's Shed will be a local branch of the national Men's Shed Association. There are already successful Sheds in Wiltshire, for example in Westbury and Corsham, and we would like to bring this project into Royal Wootton Bassett. This application is for initial funding to set up a Men's Shed which would be open to everyone living in the community area, to buy tools, pay for start-up costs and equipment and to help with publicity. The project is based on partnerships with Dorset and Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service and the Rotary Club of Royal Wootton Bassett and District. The local Age Concern has also expressed an interest in the project. Dorset and Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service have offered use of the fire station in Royal Wootton Bassett for a six month trial period, which if successful is a partnership with potential to be replicated in other fire stations in Wiltshire. The group have already held several well attended public meetings, formed a committee and been offered two Sheds from a contact which could be situated in the fire station yard.							
Where is this project taking place?		Royal Wootton Bassett Fire Station.						
When will the project take place?		From November 2016 (once internal refurbishment of RWB Fire						
What evidence is there that this project/activity needs to take place/be funded by the area board?		Station is complete). 44 people have registered an interest in getting involved with a local Men's Shed and are on a circulation list to keep informed of project developments. Anecdotal evidence suggests there are plenty of activities for women to socialise and get together, e.g. WI, however there is little going on for men in the community area, especially those who are retired and practical. Public meetings have been well attended.						

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	Local men will benefit from having a project for them to come together and get involved with. Women will also be welcome, as one of the "guys" (as the project is mainly targeted at men). Community groups will benefit as there may be opportunities for them to be given products which have been made by Shedders, such as toys for the children's centre. There could be skill-sharing sessions or workshops where younger community members can learn from older ones and skills can be shared across generations. The local Guides group has already approached the Men's Shed group about working together.			
Does this project link to a current	N/a			
Community Issue? (if so, please give reference number as well as a brief description)				
	The project links to the main aim to improve health and social wellbeing in			
	the community area. It will help to reduce loneliness and social isolation for			
	older men in particular in the community –		_	
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Transport Group? (if it relates to young	would like to work with the Men's S	ned.		
people or highways and transport				
What is the desired outcome/s of this proje	ect? To have a local Men's Shed in RWI	B up and running	as a	
sustainable community project.				
Who will be responsible for managing this	project? The Men's Shed Committee.			
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Position in organisation:			
Please return your completed application to the appropriate Area Board Locality Team (see section 3)			