



Community Area Grant Application Form

Please ensure that you have read all the Funding Criteria and Additional Guidance Notes before completing this form **PLEASE COMPLETE ALL SECTIONS TO ENSURE THAT YOUR APPLICATION CAN BE CONSIDERED**

1 - Your Organisation or Group			
Name of Organisation	Wilts & Berks Canal Trust, Wootton Bassett Branch		
Contact Name			
Contact Address			
Contact number		e-mail	
Organisation Type	Non profit organisation <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Parish/Town Council <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/>		
2 – Your Project			
In which Community Area does your project take place? (Please give name – see pp 2-4 of funding pack)	Wootton Bassett and Cricklade		
In which Parish does your project take place?	Lydiard Tregoze primarily		
What is your project?	Purchase of grass cutting equipment and to enable maintenance by volunteers of Canal towpaths as a public right of way		
Where will your project take place?	Along canal towpaths of Board area		
When will your project take place?	Immediate purchase		
Does your project demonstrate a direct link to the Community Plan for the area? If YES, please provide a reference/page no.	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> p23 especially plus p19 + p20 NO <input type="checkbox"/>		
Please confirm your project will be completed by 31st March 2010	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>		
What community benefits will your project provide and, who are the beneficiaries (e.g. numbers of people, age, gender, particular groups) <small>IMPORTANT: PLEASE DO NOT TYPE IN PARAGRAPHS – THIS SECTION IS LIMITED TO 1500 CHARACTERS ONLY (INCLUSIVE OF SPACES)</small> The project will enable the purchase of trimmer/mower grass cutting equipment to allow volunteers to maintain public accessibility to rights of way along Canal towpaths in the Board's area, both south of Wootton Bassett and south of Cricklade. As the work will be undertaken by volunteers, there will be no other cost to Wiltshire Council and it will reduce pressure on its rights of way maintenance budget. A survey of equipment has been undertaken and the most suitable is a DR Commercial 825 with a 20" cut. The project and the equipment needed has been welcomed by Stephen Leonard, manager of the Council's relevant rights of way budget. Canals and waterways are the most used recreational resource in England and are used by people of all ages. Being flat, they provide a safe route for those with disabilities. The Wilts and Berks Canal Trust has produced a free leaflet describing a walk along the part of the canal south of Wootton Bassett which is used extensively by walkers often with children, grandchildren and especially dogs. In fact canal users are much broader than walkers. There are joggers, commuters, boaters including canoeists, and wildlife enthusiasts including fishermen. The beneficiaries are therefore very broad with considerable potential for use by schools for environmental projects. In addition to large numbers of the general public who regularly use the towpaths, there are approaching 300 Wilts and Berks Canal Trust members living in the Board's area.			

Wiltshire Council will be unable to meet the ongoing costs of your project. Please describe, therefore, how you will ensure the financial sustainability of your project beyond the period of this grant (if successful)?

The most important resource is human effort which will be provided by volunteers working for free.
The other main resource is fuel which will be provided from Branch funds obtained through subscriptions, sales of canal goods, gifts from individuals etc.

3 – Additional information to support and strengthen your application e.g consultation, community involvement, energy efficiency measures

Please tell us more about the organisations and groups that are involved in your project, who will benefit from the award and how will you know that it is making a difference.

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Volunteers from the Wilts and Berks Canal Trust have, for many years, regularly maintained the towpath and adjacent hedge along rights of way by the Canal route. The current grass cutter is worn out and falling apart, and urgently needs replacement. Without a new mower, there is a serious risk that access to the public will become difficult, if not impossible. Developing the Canal through the area is one of the main priorities for the Northern Community Area as identified in "Our Community Plan 2005-2015" page 23. The existence of the Canal towpath provides a valuable recreational resource (p22) and its maintenance, together with its adjacent hedgerows, provides a biodiverse environment. Once the Canal is in water, it will provide a means of reducing flooding (p19). Wiltshire Council and the Wilts and Berks Canal Trust are key members of the Canal Partnership aiming to restore the Wilts and Berks and North Wilts Canals for the benefit of the community and environment. The ultimate aim is to restore continuous navigable waterways linking the Kennet and Avon, the Thames and Thames and Severn Canal. The Trust has over 2000 members of which approaching 300 are resident in the Wootton Bassett and Cricklade areas. Between 25 and 30 are volunteers together with work parties from companies on training days are actively restoring and maintaining access to the Canal in the Board's area.

4 – Relationship between your project and Wiltshire Council priorities. Which of the following statements apply to the project/service you hope to provide? Please tick as many as you think apply.

The project will:	
Engage with local people to find out their priorities and work with them to deliver solutions	<input type="checkbox"/>
Increase number of local people involved in regular volunteering	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Increase the number of affordable homes	<input type="checkbox"/>
Improve access to services for people with dementia	<input type="checkbox"/>
Improve access to primary care services for people with learning disabilities	<input type="checkbox"/>
Encourage people to make lifestyle changes that will have a positive impact on the health of both themselves and their family	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Improve adult participation in sport	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Improve young people's participation in positive activities	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Improve business productivity through innovation e.g. provide business with specific information, knowledge events and other support	<input type="checkbox"/>
Increase the number of people who feel safe in their community	<input type="checkbox"/>
Improve local area through intergenerational activities such as street clean ups and community events	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Reduce perceptions of antisocial behaviour	<input type="checkbox"/>
Reduce deaths through accidents	<input type="checkbox"/>
Increase uptake of energy efficiency and renewable energy measures	<input type="checkbox"/>
Increase levels of recycling and re-using household waste especially amongst those people who currently do not recycle	<input type="checkbox"/>
Increase awareness of climate change adaptation, leading to action taken by individuals, communities and businesses	<input type="checkbox"/>
Reduce carbon emissions from transport through development, sustainable transport, traffic management and new technology	<input type="checkbox"/>
Improve local biodiversity	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION MUST BE PROVIDED, FAILURE TO DO SO WILL RESULT IN THE APPLICATION BEING REJECTED				
5 – Information relating to your last annual accounts (if applicable)				
Year Ending: 2009 General Account		Month: April		Year: 08/09
Total Income:		£ 42.68 int+don+subs		
Minus Total Expenditure:		£ 338.85 for maintenance		
Surplus/Deficit for year:		£ - 296.17		
Reserves held:		£ 816.33 opening balance		
6 - Financial Information				
PROJECT COSTS A Please provide a <u>full</u> breakdown e.g equipment, installation etc.		PROJECT INCOME B Please list all sources of funding for this project, as provisional (P) or confirmed (C)		
			P/C	
Trimmer/mower (excluding VAT)	£727.05			£
	£			£
	£			£
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	£			£
TOTAL PROJECT EXPENDITURE	£727.05	TOTAL PROJECT INCOME		£
Total Project Income B		£		
Total Project Expenditure A		£		
Project Shortfall A - B		£		
Award sought from Wiltshire Council Area Board		£727.05		
Is your organisation able to claim VAT?		Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		
7 – Management				
How many people are involved in the management of your group/organisation?				
People Over 50 years	Male	3	Female	1
People Under 25 years	Male		Female	
Disabled People	Male		Female	
Black & Minority Ethnic people	Male		Female	
8 – Supporting Information – Please enclose the following documentation				
Enclosed (please tick)				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Latest inspected/audited accounts or Annual Report			
<input type="checkbox"/>	Income & expenditure budget for current financial year			
<input type="checkbox"/>	Project budget (if applicable)			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Terms of Reference/Constitution/Group Rules			

For new groups, only the group's terms of reference and a projected income and expenditure budget covering a period of 12 months is required.

9 – Equal Opportunities – To assist us with our equalities monitoring please indicate whether your application is specifically targeted at people within one or more of the six equality strands. You may tick yes for more than one category e.g. if your project is for ethnic minority senior citizens.

Please note that by answering NO to any of the following questions WILL NOT PREJUDICE your application.

a) Is your project targeted towards, or of particular relevance to, people of a specific age?

Yes No If 'Yes' please tick... Under 25's Over 50's

b) Is your project targeted towards, or of particular relevance to, people with disabilities (physical or mental/emotional)?

Yes No

c) Is your project targeted towards, or of particular relevance to, people of a specific gender?

Yes No If 'Yes' please tick.... Male Female

d) Is your project targeted towards, or of particular relevance to, people of a specific sexuality?

Yes No If 'Yes' please tick.... Gay Lesbian Bisexual

e) Is your project targeted towards, or of particular relevance to, people from a specific ethnic background?

Yes No If 'Yes', indicate the ethnic background of the people who will benefit from your project.

White British Irish Other **Mixed** Mixed ethnic background

Asian or Asian British Indian Pakistani Bangladeshi Other Asian

Black or Black British Caribbean African Other Black

Chinese or other ethnic group Chinese Other ethnic group

f) Is your project targeted towards, or of particular relevance to, people from a specific religion or faith?

(e.g. a Muslim women's sports club, which encourages active participation, rather than promoting religious beliefs)

Yes No If 'Yes' please specify

10 – Declaration (on behalf of organisation or group) – I confirm that.....

- Accounts and quotes where appropriate are enclosed.
- A copy of our constitution or terms of reference are enclosed.
- The information on this form is correct, that any award received will be spent on the activities specified, that I will complete a monitoring form (if requested) following completion of the project.
- If an award is received, I will complete and return an evaluation sheet
- That any other form of licence or approval for this project has been received prior to submission of this application
- That the necessary policies and procedures will be in place prior to the commencement of the project outlined in this application. Child Protection Public Liability Insurance
 Equal Opportunities Access Audit Environmental Impact
 Planning permission applied for (date) or granted (date)
- That acknowledgement will be given of Wiltshire Council support in any publicity or printed material.
- I give permission for press and media coverage by Wiltshire Council in relation to this project.

Name:

Position in organisation:

Date:

Please return your completed application to the appropriate Area Board Locality Team (see pages 9-10)