

Tidworth Area Board- Youth Initiatives Project Funding Application Form

1. What is your Project?

Resources to support Collingbourne Scout Group Cub Pack re-launch, with the medium term objective of re-opening the Scout Troop for young teenagers.

Our cub section recently reopened and immediately attracted a core of local children aged between 8 and 10½. The majority of our resource material for the Cubs is in good condition, but there are clear gaps and some equipment needs minor refurbishment. This application seeks a grant to urgently re-establish a good quality resource base for the Cub section.

2. Where is the project taking place?

The Collingbournes. It will also serve Everleigh and other surrounding villages.

3. When will the project take place?

On availability of funds - target March 2012

4. How did you come up with your project idea and who have you involved? (e.g. youth worker, teacher, parish council, other young people).

In April 2011 the Scout and Cub sections of Collingbourne Scout Group were closed due in part to leaders moving out of the area and in part to committee members and leaders who lived in Burbage starting a new group in Burbage at that time.

When our cub and scout sections closed, some children moved to the Burbage group but, for the majority, the additional travel of about 4 miles was difficult at the times Cubs meet (of necessity early evening). Similarly for the Tidworth group which is some 5 miles away. A survey of parents of children in our Beaver section (6 to 7 years) and at Collingbourne Primary School demonstrated a clear continuing demand for scouting at Cub age in the Collingbournes.

Two enthusiastic volunteer leaders and a parent helper were found during December 2011. The Pack was re-opened on 18th January 2012 and a workable core of children turned up, with more appearing the following weeks.

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5. What will be the benefits of your project for the young people involved? (What will they learn? What new skills will they develop? How will it make their lives better?)

The Scout Association provides adventurous activities and personal development opportunities for young people of both sexes aged 6-25. Personal development means promoting the physical, intellectual, social and spiritual well-being of the individual, helping them achieve their full potential in the community. In Scouting, we believe that young people develop most when they are 'learning by doing,' when they are given responsibility, work in teams, take acceptable risks and think for themselves.

A recent study showed that 87% of young people said that Scouting helped them to contribute to their communities as active citizens.

As part of the Scout Association, our group's balanced and structured programme, run by trained volunteers, offers everyday adventure to young people.

6. Who will Project Manage this project? (tell us if you will be getting any help from your youth worker, parents, teachers, parish council or others)

The group's committee, which includes the leaders of the Beaver and Cub sections.

7. Tell us how much your project will cost. (List all the things you need to buy or pay for to run your project).

Games materials	£ 33
Handcraft materials	£ 20
Handbooks, record cards etc	£ 95
Equipment refurbishment	£ 38
Badges and badge materials	£ 40
Hi-visibility vests for outdoors	£ 22
Compass and map reading resources	£116
Allowance for leaders uniforms	£125
Simple camping and cooking equipment	£100
Heavy duty storage boxes	£ 42
"Adventure" first aid kit	<u>£ 17</u>
Total	£648

All prices were taken from websites of The Scout Association, Amazon UK, CPC/Farnell and others.

8. How will you know your project has been successful? (What ideas have you got for finding out how people liked the project, how they enjoyed it and if they have developed any new skills?).

Membership numbers in the Cub and Beaver Sections, positive feedback from parents, the school and the wider community.

Demonstrable enthusiastic potential from the young people themselves for re-opening the Scout Troop in the medium term.

Also the raised profile of Scouting at the School and within the community at large.