

Royal Wootton Bassett & Cricklade Area Board

Creating a Legacy of 2012

Grant scheme application form

- Group/Club name and contact details**

Please include contact name, postal address, telephone number and email address

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- Your project/initiative**

Please outline the details of your project here, including where and when it is intended to take place. Please be as specific as possible about how your project will deliver exceptional benefits to the community and contribute to a lasting legacy of 2012.

Row de Dow accessibility project.

The Row de Dow is one of the historic footpaths in Royal Wootton Bassett originally thought to be *Reiu de dieu* or road of god linking religious establishments in Wootton Bassett and Malmesbury. The town council would now like to improve accessibility of this right of way so that it can be used as a formal link between the Town Centre and Jubilee Lake Nature Reserve and the nearly created sports hub at Ballards Ash. The town council is also promoting the creation of a Town Park, something supported by the Community Led Plan, which will run alongside the Row de Dow footpath.

- What is the desired outcome of this initiative and what legacy goal will it address?**

Please refer to the guidance notes, in particular the 'What does Legacy of 2012 mean in practice?' and outline how your project will fulfil one or more of the goals listed.

Contributes to legacy goals by:

- Increasing access to positive leisure-time activities by allowing for and encouraging walking, running, cycling, etc
- Bringing the community together by creating a usable right of way that will be both pleasant to use for recreational purposes and convenient for accessing the facilities in the town centre and up towards the Jubilee Lake and Rugby Club/Ballards Ash
- Increasing volunteering by encouraging the local community to contribute towards the path's clearance and maintenance.

The project also:

- Was identified as a strong priority by local residents in the community-led plan
- Addresses priorities in Wiltshire Council's Local Transport Plan 3, particularly in relation to the

recently approved sub-document regarding accessibility, cycling, powered two-wheeler and smarter choices strategies respectively.

It is hoped there are social, environmental and economic benefits of clearing the path, particularly in relation to encouraging it for leisure use (keeping healthy/active). The volunteers helping with this project will benefit from community engagement and hopefully take up an active past time.

1. Who will project manage this initiative?

This is a partnership project that will look to engage not only the Town Council and Area Board but also organisations such as the Rugby Club, Rotary, Running Club, Walking Club and many other clubs.

2. Costs/quotes/ match funding?

Please provide a breakdown of how the funding is intended to be spent and details of any other project income, and please be prepared to produce quotes/estimates if requested)

Applying for £3,500 to kick-start the project.

The Town Council is currently looking to buy land for the Town Garden, the first section of which is likely to be in excess of £20,000.

£3,500 might be used for Site assessments/risk assessments/feasibility studies for the wider project, together with equipment and supervisory manpower to clear the path. Disposal of waste and scrub that's cleared. Improved signage. Improved laying of path surface.

3. Monitoring and evaluation

Please tell us how you intend to monitor the outcomes of your project and please be prepared to feed this back to the Area Board at a later date. Ideas could include a report, photographs, video, diary, display or a news article on the [community blogsite](#)

Town Council to monitor and provide regular updates to the Area Board.

The advantage of a legacy project is that it seeks to provide something very special for future generations. The difficulty is that the benefits are difficult to monitor in the short term, particularly at an early stage in the project.

4. Additional information

Please tell us anything else about your project which you feel is relevant

The Row de Dow is on the Wiltshire Council rights of way map as footpath No3. Accordingly officers of the Town Council are meeting with Stephen Leonard, Rights of Way officer (co-ordinated courtesy of Penny Bell) to ensure that the work being proposed enhances the work being taken by rights of way officers.

Please return your completed form by email to Penny Bell, Royal Wootton Bassett & Cricklade Community Area Manager: penny.bell@wiltshire.gov.uk