

## Other Local Advice & Funding

The following organisations can provide assistance to help you explore local and national funding opportunities and/or help you put together funding proposals. We **strongly** advise you to investigate a range of additional sources of funding to support any application made to North Wiltshire District Council and this should be done as early as possible in your quest for funding support. A phone call or email to any of the organisations listed below will help you identify other appropriate sources of funding and a bidding timetable.

**One of the Community Awards funding criteria requires that you have sought funding from sources other than the Area Committees where you request over £500.**

### **Charities Information Bureau (CIB)**

CIB is a charitable organisation set up to offer information, advice and support on funding and charity law to groups and individuals throughout Wiltshire. CIB will work with groups to help them access a range of appropriate local and national funders. Advice on planning fundraising and making effective applications is also freely available. Funding surgeries are held at the North Wiltshire CVS offices on the first Tuesday of every month (call 01249 654089) and appointments for these or for any other time can be made by contacting CIB.

**Contact:** Mary Waters, Funding Advisor - 01380 729279

Email: [mary@cibwilts.org.uk](mailto:mary@cibwilts.org.uk)

### **Community First**

Community First manages a number of schemes providing grants for individuals and groups to support a range of community projects meeting clearly identified community needs. Both capital and revenue support is available.

**Contact:** Philippa Read - 01380 722475. Email: [pread@communityfirst.org.uk](mailto:pread@communityfirst.org.uk)

**The Village Hall Grant Scheme** is administered by Community First on behalf of Wiltshire County Council and all four District Councils for local communities wishing to provide, extend or refurbish Village Halls. Grants are available for major capital projects, to help with the purchase of sites and buildings, expenditure on new buildings, improvements and extensions, the initial purchase of equipment and furniture and relevant professional fees. A major capital project is one costing more than £5,000. Applicants will be expected to find at least 30% of the total cost of the project. Contributions from Parish and Town Councils may be counted as part of the applicant's share of the project cost, as will grants from other bodies.

**Contact:** Katie Griffin, Village Hall Adviser – 01380 722475.

Email: [kgriffin@communityfirst.org.uk](mailto:kgriffin@communityfirst.org.uk)

**Disabled Disability Act (access) Audits** administered by Community First. These are only available for Village Halls.

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“**Solve – The Local Solutions Fund**”, also administered by Community First offers a range of small grants which can be used for:

Purchase /hire of equipment	Hire of venues
Professional fees for design	Training
Research & feasibility studies	Care of children & support for the disabled
Travel & subsistence	Consumables & publications
Publicity, printing, photocopying, telephone calls & postage	

Solve has three categories of grant giving within the scheme:

**Community grants:** up to £500 for a wide range of new projects or new initiatives within an existing project.

**Small village hall grants:** up to £1,000. Priorities are set for this each year

**Rural transport:** up to £2,000 for rural community transport initiatives under the Wiltshire Rural Transport Partnership

**Contact:** Alison Crawford - 01380 722475.

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### **Landfill Tax Credits**

Funding made available from landfill site operators towards community projects and facilities including village halls, Scout and Guide halls, play areas, skateboard facilities and facilities of benefit to the elderly or disabled, museums and built or natural conservation projects. The minimum grant is £5,000 and projects should cost in excess of £15,000. Applications may be made at any time but please note that the process usually takes six months. Applications will be considered from community groups or parish/town councils.

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### **Community Foundation for Wiltshire & Swindon** (amended Jan 06)

Supports voluntary and community groups within Wiltshire, especially those tackling poverty and social exclusion. Several different programmes are available, with awards between £50 and £7,000 depending on the programme. **Contact:** Jen Wildblood, Programme Director - 01380 729284.

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### **Wiltshire & Swindon Regeneration Partnership**

The Partnership is currently delivering the south west Regional Development Agency's (RDA's) Rural Renaissance initiative. Funding is available for economic focused projects in rural areas (i.e. outside market towns) which contribute to the Partnership's Delivery Plan and Rural Renaissance Priorities. Funding is also available to convert redundant or seriously under used buildings into rural workspace. A minimum of £5,000 is available from these schemes.

**Contact:** Sarah Brady, Partnership Co-ordinator - 01225 712318.

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### **Awards for All**

Awards for All is actively encouraging groups, schools, health bodies, parish and town councils with projects that support education, sport, arts, heritage, environment and health in their community to apply for funding under this scheme. Awards range from £500 - £5,000 and groups are encouraged to apply. **Contact:** Application Pack Line 0845 600 2040 or [www.awardsforall.org.uk](http://www.awardsforall.org.uk)