

Community Area Award Application Grant Application from North Wiltshire District Council

Please ensure that you have read 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	Great Western Community Forest
Contact Number	
E-mail	
Organisation type	Non-profit making organisation <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Local Authority <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/>

2 – Your Project

In which Community Area does your project take place?	1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 <input type="checkbox"/>
In which Parish does your project take place?	Wootton Bassett
What is your project?	<i>Wootton Bassett Forest Festival. This event will celebrate trees and their products and promote a greener lifestyle through interactive displays, workshops and Climate Change information. It will provide a mix of great family entertainment, educational workshops, live music, theatre, displays and local food. A high percentage of those involved will live locally within the Wootton Bassett area. The unique element to this event is that it will be completely free to the public and it will be a non-commercial enterprise making it inclusive to everyone. It will be organised by a broad partnership of organisations, led by the Great Western Community Forest team, who will be dedicated to the regeneration of Wootton Bassett and it will involve a broad cross section of the community.</i>
Where will your project take place?	Jubilee Lake and Ballards Ash Sports Ground
When will your project take place?	Saturday 19 th May 2007

<p>Does your project demonstrate a direct link to the Community Plan for the area? If yes, please provide a reference/page no.</p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Economy p.8&9, Education & Lifelong Learning p.10, Environmental, land based issues & Countryside p.17-19, Recreation, Culture & Leisure p.23</p>
<p>Are you applying for Capital or Revenue Funding?</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Capital (over £500) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Revenue</p>
<p>If you are applying for Revenue funding, please confirm that your project will be completed by 31st March 2007</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No All bookings and commitments will be in place by 31st March 07.</p>
<p>What is the Community benefit of your project, and approximately how many people will benefit? This will be a free, fun and educational event enabling the learning of new skills through interactive and visual displays, workshops and environmental organisation information. It will raise awareness about environmental issues, which effect us all including the broader Climate Change issues. Schools, Community groups and local business will all have an input to the event which will encourage value and ownership for the people of the parish of Wootton Bassett. Through raising awareness of local business and by providing much of the activity via local woodcraft people and artistes this will benefit the local economy, at the same time creating an artistic and cultural presence to the town. As the event will be sited between Ballards Ash Sports Ground and Jubilee Lake, it will also help to draw attention to these two fantastic open spaces for leisure and sports activity, which also supports health and social issues. The event will be promoted to the whole of Wootton Bassett and the surrounding area and we will work with schools and local groups to develop performance and other activities prior to the event. We therefore anticipate that the number of people who will benefit will be in excess of 5,000.</p>	
<p>NWDC will not meet future running costs for projects. Please tell us how these will be met in future. This particular event will not require future running costs. However, it is hoped that the Wootton Bassett Forest Festival will become a bi-annual event, fully supported and owned by the people of Wootton Bassett. It is anticipated that future funding for the event will be sourced from other grant opportunities and private sponsorship.</p>	
<p>Has your organisation received a previous award from this Council?</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes (If yes, please provide details below) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</p>
<p>Date & Amount of previous award</p>	<p>___ / ___ / ___ £</p>
<p>Details of award</p>	

3 - Additional information to support and strengthen your application e.g. consultation & community involvement

The Great Western Community Forest (GWCF) was approached by North Wiltshire District Council to run a Forest Festival in Wootton Bassett after two North Wilts Councillors attended the sixth Forest Festival in Swindon in 2004. GWCF was recognised for its professional expertise in running environmental forest events within the 168 square miles that it covers, including tree planting, school grounds projects, family fun days, liaison with land owners and farmers to help with land diversification, as well as its flagship event, Forest Festival, which has attracted funding from both private sector sponsorship and various grants over 8 years. Wootton Bassett Town Council are fully in support of this project and have already committed £3k funding to the event. The Chamber of Commerce are supporting the event through local business engagement and recognise how valuable this will be to the local economy. The local radio station – Brunel FM – have committed their airtime to the event. The Friends of Jubilee lake are already working with us to involve local schools, including Wootton Bassett Comprehensive School and Longleaze Primary School. GWCF are part of a broad partnership of environmental organisations who can be drawn on to support this event including Wiltshire Wildlife Trust, Wilts & Berks Canal Trust, the Woodland Trust, British Trust for Conservation Volunteers, Ramblers Association, Purton House Organics, English Nature, Forestry Commission and the Environment Agency.

4 – Financial information

PROJECT COSTS Please provide a <u>full</u> break down e.g. equipment, installation etc.		PROJECT INCOME Please list sources of funding for this project, as provisional (P) or confirmed (C)		
			P/C	
Publicity and materials	£ 2,870	Wootton Bassett Town Council	C	£3,000
Equipment Hire	£ 3,357	Awards For All Grant	P	£9,849
Professional fees – workshop leaders, artists, first aid staff, security staff, compere, photographer	£3,500			£
Educational workshops	£2024			£
Musicians, woodland crafts people	£3,750.50			
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Total Project Expenditure	£15,501.50	Total Project Income		£12,849

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Project Shortfall	£2,652.50
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Award sought from NWDC	£2,652.50
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Is your organisation able to claim VAT?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION MUST BE PROVIDED. FAILURE TO DO SO WILL RESULT IN THE APPLICATION BEING REJECTED

✓ Please tick this box to indicate that you have included a signed off summary of examined accounts, confirming your year-end accounts, assets and reserves

For Statement of Accounts, please follow this link. <http://www.swindon.gov.uk/statementofaccounts>

Section 5 - Declaration (on behalf of organisation or group)

- ✓ I confirm that 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
- ✓ I confirm if an award is received that I will complete and return an evaluation sheet
- I confirm that the necessary any planning permission was granted __/__/N/A_
- ✓ I confirm that any other form of licence or approval for this project has been received prior to submission of this application
- ✓ I confirm that the necessary policies and procedures will be in place e.g. Child Protection, Public Liability Insurance , Equal Opportunities etc prior to the commencement of the project outlined in this application
- ✓ I confirm that acknowledgement will be given of NWDC support in any publicity or printed material
- ✓ I give permission for press and media coverage by NWDC in relation to this project

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Position in organisation : Marketing and Communications Officer

Date 15th September 2006



Please return your completed application to: Community Partnership Officer, Community & Environment, Monkton Park, Chippenham, Wiltshire, SN15 1ER or e-mail sparker@northwilts.gov.uk