

# **Small Grants**

For small projects requiring funding - maximum award £350

where total projects costs do not exceed £350

## Information and Criteria Sheet

### **Background**

We want to encourage the development of strong local communities in Wiltshire. In order to help this happen we will make available small amounts of funding to help and encourage local people to undertake projects or activities near to where they live.

#### Who can apply?

Applications are welcomed from any of the following:

- Local voluntary groups
- Neighbourhood groups & Residents Associations
- Groups with a common interest (but are not for their sole benefit)

Applications are welcome from any group including those with no formal constitution or terms of reference but have come together for the purpose of organising a new project or event which will have a positive impact on and/or involve their community.

If your group has no bank account of its own you will have to nominate a local organisation to receive the funding on your behalf. (Your local town/parish council or Community Area Partnership may be willing to do this for you or other constituted group, perhaps one with an interest in your project)

#### How much can you apply for?

Grants of £350 or less may be applied for towards projects whose total cost does not exceed £350. This grant cannot be used in conjunction with any other project funding provided by Wiltshire Council.

#### Application form and criteria to be used

The application form is short and simple to complete.

In deciding upon whether a grant should be awarded, we will assess your project as follows:

- Will it help to promote a stronger and more vibrant community?
- Will it help bring people together and build community spirit?
- Will it help those who cannot always help themselves?

We will also check to make sure:

- The safety of participants and those delivering the project have been considered
- You have not already started your project/activity

### **Conditions of Receiving a Grant**

If your application is successful and you receive a grant you will be expected to sign a letter agreeing to general conditions about spending your grant. You will also be expected to complete a simple evaluation form and send us receipts and photographs on completion of your project.

## Where can I get additional help?

• If you require further help then please contact your Community Area Manager by <u>clicking here</u> and then going to the appropriate area board page.