

Community Area Grant Application Form 2010/2011

Please ensure that you have read all the Funding Criteria and Additional Guidance Notes before completing this form PLEASE COMPLETE ALL SECTIONS TO ENSURE THAT YOUR APPLICATION CAN BE CONSIDERED

We strongly advise that you contact your Community Area Manager before completing your application.

1 - Your organisation or group

Name of organisation	Wilts & Berks Canal Trust, Wootton Bassett		
Contact name			
Contact address			
Contact number		e-mail	
Organisation type	Not for profit organisation <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Parish/town council <input type="checkbox"/> Other, please specify		

2 – Your project

In which community area does your project take place? (Please give name – see section 3 of the grants pack)	Wootton Bassett and Cricklade
Does your town/parish council know about your project?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
What is your project? Important: This section is limited to 300 characters only (inclusive of spaces).	Purchase of scalpings to improve Canal Towpaths. This improvement will be undertaken free by volunteers.
Where will your project take place?	Along canal towpaths of Board area
When will your project take place?	Immediate purchase of scalpings
How many people will benefit from your project?	Many people who access the towpath
How does your project demonstrate a direct link to the community plan for your area? Please provide a reference/page no.	Developing the Canal through the area is one of the main priorities for the NCA area as identified in 'Our Community Plan 2005-2015' p23especially plus p19 + p20

What is the link between your project and other local priorities? e.g. Priorities set by your area board and parish plans.

The completion of this project will help to provide a recreational facility, encourage environmental improvement, can help reduce flooding, promotes healthy lifestyle and can improve environmental learning and appreciation.

How did you discover there was a need for your project and how will your project benefit your local community?

Important: Please do not type in paragraphs – This section is limited to 1200 characters only (inclusive of spaces)

The towpath is becoming more extensively used by walkers often with children, grandchildren and especially dogs. The additional wear and tear makes the surface muddy and difficult underfoot. The project will enable the purchase of scalpings (limestone chippings and clay) and will allow volunteers to repair and maintain public accessibility to rights of way along Canal towpaths in the Board's area, south of Wootton Bassett and Chaddington in particular. As the work will be undertaken by volunteers, there will be no other cost to Wiltshire Council and it will reduce pressure on its rights of way budget.

Canals and Waterways are the most used recreational resource in England and are used by people of all ages. Being flat, they provide a safe route for those with disabilities. The Wilts and Berks Canal Trust has produced a free leaflet describing a walk along the part of the canal south of Wootton Bassett which is used extensively by walkers often with children, grandchildren and especially dogs.

Any other information about your project.

Canal users are very much wider than walkers. There are joggers, comuters, boaters including canoeists, and wildlife enthusiasts including fishermen. The beneficiaries are therefore very broad with considerable potential for use by schools for environmental projects. In addition to large numbers of the general public who regularly use the towpaths, there are approaching 300 Wilts and Berks Canal Trust members living in the Board's area.

The Trust sometimes uses road planings, which are produced when roads are resurfaced, to repair and maintain towpaths. These can be sometimes obtained at no cost through Wiltshire Council footpaths wardens, who have access to them, and were requested recently. Stephen Leonard of Wiltshire Council explained that they need all available supplies for scheduled work and repairs following the harsh winter which means we have to proceed with the purchase of scalpings to complete the work. Scalpings is the preferred material for this type of work.

3 - Management

How many people are involved in the management of your group/organisation? 5

Of these, how many are:

Over 50 years	Male	<input type="text" value="3"/>	Female	<input type="text" value="1"/>
25 – 50 years	Male	<input type="text"/>	Female	<input type="text" value="1"/>
Under 25 years	Male	<input type="text"/>	Female	<input type="text"/>
Disabled People	Male	<input type="text"/>	Female	<input type="text"/>
Black and Minority Ethnic people	Male	<input type="text"/>	Female	<input type="text"/>

If your project is intended to continue after the Wiltshire Council funding runs out, how will you continue to fund it?

The Restoration of the Wilts and Berks Canal is a long term project and we are reliant on grant awards for projects in the Board's area. We are constantly seeking funding to complete different parts of the project in the Boards area and have been successful at maintaining the work already done and in moving forward with new aspects of the restoration program. Much of the work is carried out by volunteers at no financial cost and this work will continue.

If you were not awarded the full amount requested, what would be the impact on your project?

If we were not awarded the full amount requested we would not be able to complete as much towpath repair as we had hoped. However, by repairing as much as possible of the towpath there would still be an appreciable improvement and benefit to towpath users. We would then have to seek further funding to complete the remainder of the work.

How will you know whether your project has made a difference in the community?

When carrying out repairs and maintenance towpath users often show interest in what we are doing and give favourable comments on completion. It is also usual to see an increase in the number of towpath users when access is improved.

Have you contacted Charities Information Bureau for help with your application/ to seek funding?

Yes

No

To who have you applied for funding for this project (other than Wiltshire Council)?

We have not applied elsewhere for funding fir this particular project . We have not been fully aware of the Charities Information Bureau but will be approaching them for advice for future projects.

Have you been successful?

Yes

No

Have you or do you intend to apply for a grant from another area board within this financial year?

Yes

No

If yes, please state which ones.

Are you in receipt or anticipating other funding from Wiltshire Council for this project?

Yes

No

4 - Information relating to your last annual accounts (if applicable)

Year ending: 2009

Month: March

Year: 08/09

A - Total income:

£42.68

B - Minus total expenditure:

£338.85

Surplus/deficit for year: (A minus B)

£-296.17

Free reserves held:

£520.16

5 - Financial information

Project Costs A Please provide a <u>full</u> breakdown e.g. equipment, installation etc.		Project Income B Please list all sources of funding for this project, as provisional (P) or confirmed (C)		
			P/C	
Purchase of 140 tons of scalping	£1,680	Own fundraising/reserves	C	£400
Fuel and machine hire	£400			£
Volunteer hours matched funding	£1,280	Parish/town council		£
	£			£
	£	Trusts/foundations		£
	£			£
	£	In kind	C	£1,280
	£			£
	£	Other		£
	£			£
	£			£
	£			£
	£			£
Total Project Expenditure	£3,360	Total Project Income		£1,680
Total project income B		£1,680		
Total project expenditure A		£3,360		
Project shortfall A – B		£1680		
Award sought from Wiltshire Council Area Board		£1680		
Bank Details				
Please give the name of the organisations' bank account e.g. Barclays		HSBC		
Please give the title name of the organisations' bank account e.g. current		Current		

6 – Supporting information – Please enclose the following documentation

Enclosed (please tick)

- Written quotes including the one you are going to use
- Latest inspected/audited accounts or annual report
- Income and expenditure budget for current financial year
- Project budget (if applicable)
- Terms of reference/constitution/group rules
- Evidence of ownership/lease of buildings and/or land

For new groups, only the group's terms of reference and a projected income and expenditure budget covering a period of 12 months is required.

7 - Equalities and Inclusion – Wiltshire Council is committed to ensuring that its work through the Area Boards benefits all sections of our community and promotes equality and inclusion. To assist us in assessing how your application aims to meet our commitment to equality and inclusion, please provide a brief answer to the following:

a) How does your project work to either (a) promote equality and access to services/facilities, and/or (b) reduce disadvantage?

The aim of the project is to improve general access to and use of the canal towpath. This will help improve access to those less mobile or with prams and , where practicable, wheelchairs.

b) How does your project work to promote inclusion, participation and good community relations?

The Canal Trust is constantly seeking volunteers from all sections of the community. There are opportunities to contribute in many aspects of the work e.g. physical restoration, admin, publicity, finance, environmental, planning etc.

c) Is your project targeted at a specific group? If yes, please tick any of the following which apply

- Under 25's Over 50's
- Mostly or all men/boys Mostly or all women/girls
- Specific minority ethnic groups (please state which groups)
- Specific faith groups (please state which groups)
- People/families on low income
- Other disadvantaged groups (please state which groups)

8 - Declaration (on behalf of organisation or group) – I confirm that...

- I have read the funding criteria
- 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.
- If an award is received, I will complete and return an evaluation sheet.
- That any other form of licence or approval for this project has been received prior to submission of this application.
- That the necessary policies and procedures will be in place prior to the commencement of the project outlined in this application. Child Protection Public Liability Insurance
 - Equal opportunities Access audit Environmental impact
 - Planning permission applied for (date) or granted (date)
- That acknowledgement will be given of Wiltshire Council support in any publicity, printed or website material.
- I give permission for press and media coverage by Wiltshire Council in relation to this project.

Name:	Date:
Position in organisation:	

Please return your completed application to the appropriate Area Board Locality Team